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Annwyl/Dear Councillor Patel

Environmental Scrutiny Committee - 11 Nov 2021 - SAB - Adoption And Future Maintenance Of SuDS Features

Thank you for your letter following the meeting of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee on 11 November 2021. Following your request:

That the Committee receive written confirmation of the planned approach to expand the existing team to enable them to undertake maintenance of existing features and other flood risk associated assets, including how many apprenticeships this would include.

We would respond as follows:

The planned approach to increase staff numbers relates directly to development and demand. As SuDS features are adopted and a Commuted Maintenance Sum (CMS) is received, the ability to employ additional staff will be realised. There are existing staff within the Drainage and Public Rights of Way Teams that undertake similar work at present and can be utilised in the short term.

In addition, many SuDS features are constructed with extensive maintenance periods. This means that they will be maintained by the developer for a set time before they become the responsibility of the Council. Maintenance periods will vary depending on the development but may be up to 5 years.

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Mae'r Cyngor yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg, Saesneg neu'n ddwyieithog. Byddwn yn cyfathrebu â chi yn ôl eich dewis, dim ond i chi roi gwybod i ni pa un sydd well gennych. Ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

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Therefore, development will continue to be monitored and staff employed as and when demand dictates and finances become available. Although it is not possible to advise on exact numbers of apprenticeships at this time, it is planned for apprenticeships to be introduced once the team is established and a significant demand is experienced.

I trust the above is of assistance.

Yn gywir
Yours sincerely

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