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From: Claire Hamm
Sent: 16 February 2023 14:23
To: Leanne Edwards
Cc: Jason Jenkins; Daniel Clarke; Mark Shephard
Subject: FW: Renovation of Old Stone Bridge, Dunraven Place, Bridgend
Attachments: Request to send to BCBC from Cllr Unwin re Old Stone Bridge 3 Feb 2023.pdf

Dear Leanne

Thank you for your email regarding queries from your Planning Committee in relation to the Old Stone Bridge.

Further to a meeting on site with Councillor Unwin, Jason Jenkins and Daniel Clarke from our Highways Maintenance Team, we were able to reconfirm the planned extent of the "minor repairs" due to be undertaken during the summer months in 2023 as agreed by Cadw. These works will focus on those areas that have been subject to temporary tarmac repairs undertaken to ensure public safety. The reason that these works will be undertaken during the Summer months is to allow lime mortar to set. There is no justified, planned or necessary full restoration of the Scheduled Ancient Monument. As explained on site, this Authority is looking to establish an agreed way forward with Cadw for ongoing **minor works** to the bridge to enable these works to be programmed more effectively over the next 10 years.

I understand that the Town Council is planning a celebration event for the 600th anniversary in June/July 2025 and when time permits, it will look at applying to Cadw for funding to produce some interpretation near the site, the location and nature of which will be subject to further discussions. In the meantime as a highway structure, the bridge will be regularly monitored and in the immediate lead up to the event (June 2025), we will ensure that all repairs at that time will be undertaken in advance.

I hope this confirms and clarifies everything discussed at the meeting in relation to the Old Stone Bridge.

Regards
Claire Hamm

From: Leanne Edwards <Leanne.Edwards1@bridgend.gov.uk>
Sent: 03 February 2023 10:25
To: Mark Shephard <Mark.Shephard@bridgend.gov.uk>
Subject: Renovation of Old Stone Bridge, Dunraven Place, Bridgend

Dear Mark,

I have been asked to contact you by the BTC Planning Committee regarding the Old Stone Bridge.

I'm sure you are aware that the Old Stone Bridge is Bridgend's oldest monument and achieves its 600th anniversary in 2025.

The BTC Planning Committee highlight that efforts were started by BTC in 2021 to get this acknowledged by BCBC Highways Dept, however from the latest correspondence (attached), we are not much further forward in preparations for this anniversary. BCBC has always put the Conservation issue uppermost in its strategy, but it does not appear to have filtered down to Highways yet. BTC would like to know what you can do to ensure the Old Stone Bridge is in tip-top condition for any anniversary celebrations in early 2025?

Kind regards
Leanne

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