

**BLAENAU GWENT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**RECORD AND NOTICE OF DECISION BY MANAGING DIRECTOR**

Further to the decision of Full Council on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020, the following decision(s) has/have been taken in exercise of Emergency Powers by the Managing Director by reason of the need to ensure that Council business is progressed in light of the current COVID-19 pandemic.

**Date of Decision(s):** 4<sup>th</sup> June 2020

**Declarations of Interest received:** None

Consulted: Executive Member for the Environment prior to making the decision(s).

**TITLE OF REPORT(S):**

**Consideration on Highways Maintenance, Highways Mechanical Sweeping  
and Side Waste Restrictions Re-Commencing Following Covid – 19  
Lockdown**

**DECISION(S) NOTED:**

1. Reinstatement of highways maintenance patching works.
2. Reinstatement of mechanical sweeping and general litter picking operations.
3. To gradually reintroduce side waste restrictions/enforcement.

**Summary of reasons for Decision(s):**

Following Welsh Government's announcement on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020, to ease some of the Covid – 19 lock-down movement restrictions:-

1. People have started to return to work, use of the highway network has increased substantially which has resulted in an increased number of complaints and reports being received which require action.

2: The reopening of drive-through fast food outlets. is anticipated to further increase highways traffic and increase litter levels

In addition a significant increased level of black bag waste is being collected, to encourage residents to continue to recycle Side Waste restrictions need to be reinstated.

**Monitoring Officer:**

*CM Jones*

**Chief Officer (Resources):**

*Don Hayler*