

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

**County Council
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REPORT AUTHOR: County Councillor Wynne Jones, Portfolio Holder for Highways

SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor David Jones

Following complaints to NRW of the fly tipping of contaminated waste by Highways at three sites in Guilsfield they partially cleared the offending material before resuming dumping. Why did Highways resume fly tipping and has this gone on in other parts of Powys?

The leaf litter deposited at the end of the highway known as Laundry Lane, Guilsfield; which was the initial subject of complaints, was cleared during the week ending 14th December 2014. There has been no further material deposited at this location to date.

There are a number of other locations where our rural highways pass through NRW woodlands, and similarly to Laundry Lane the NRW (Forestry Management Section) have requested that the leaf-litter from these highways within their woodlands be deposited at locations at the sites for their collection and re-use in regenerating the soil within areas of their woodland.

The material previously removed was clearly unsuitable; being in such a wet state, and operatives are aware that this is not acceptable.

In light of the complaints now received, and the fact that we have again received requests from the NRW for the leaf-litter material, we have requested further written confirmation and clarification of their position.