WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDDWUDD

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Please note that following advice from One Voice Wales concerning public attendance at remote meetings, it was agreed to continue with current practice and request residents write in or email issues they would like raised at meetings. If you have any issues you would like raised at our next remote meetings, on $1^{\rm st}$ December and $12^{\rm th}$ January, please inform the Clerk. The agenda will be posted on the website and notice board in the bus shelter at Welsh St Donats at least three days before the meetings.

Stuart Gaskell has joined the Community Council as a Councillor to fill a vacancy. Stuart will represent the interests of those living in Maendy. His contact details are on the website.

CONSULTATION M4/A48 LINK: The consultation runs to December 23rd 2020. For information on the study and online feedback form, go to:
www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/M4J34toA48. County Councillor Michael Morgan continues to urge residents to make their views known.

FROM THE POLICE: There has been a sharp rise in burglaries from sheds and outside buildings in the Peterston-super-Ely ward area over the last month, this included two in the Welsh St Donats area, with a further one since. Other crimes in the Ward related to breaches of covid regulations, business fraud and drugs, none of which were committed in our community area. PCSO Davies noted that SW Police did not intend sending a representative to join community council meetings in the Vale for the foreseeable future. Michael Morgan felt this loss of contact was regrettable and would take it up with SW Police.

HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS: The Community Council continues to monitor the condition of our lanes and footpaths, but , in addition, please report any problems you come across to the Clerk or the Vale Council through contactonevale@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk. On the 15th October, Councillors and residents met members of Natural Resources Wales for a discussion about the condition of tracks and footpaths in Hensol Forest following recent felling operations. The meeting was informative and not only covered the state of the tracks, but future plans for tree planting and timber collection. A summary of the meeting is on the website.

DEFIBRILLATOR FOR WELSH ST DONATS: The Community Council continues to explore the options and will be discussing funding at the next meeting. It was agreed the Church porch would be the most suitable location.

FINANCES: Payments were made for website fees (£29.95) and to Allan Williams for grass cutting in October (£318). It was agreed to get a quote for Allan Williams to cut back the shrubs and hedges around the pond. If approved, the work will be done shortly.

FROM REPRESENTATIVES: Nick Craddock had represented the Community Council at a remote meeting with the Vale Council on the M4/A48 Link, Mark Hasting at a One Voice Wales area meeting and Ann Thomas summarized the current status of the Welsh St Donats and Pendoylan Community Trust for which she is a Trustee and representive on the Community Council.

Due to a technical hitch, our meeting on 3^{rd} November was cut short and the remaining items on the agenda will be discussed at our next meeting on 1^{st} December.

If you have any concerns or queries you feel the Community Council may be able to assist you with, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Clerk or Community Councillors. We will do our very best to help you. Contact details are on the website.

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