

WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING ON 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2013

PRESENT: Councillors Ann Thomas (in the Chair), Bill Fawcett, Glyn Jenkins, Bill Fawcett, Louise O'Shea and Rhodri Traherne

ITEM 1 (207) PUBLIC FORUM No member of the public was present

ITEM 2 (208) RECEIVE APOLOGIES Graham Duffield, Andrew Foyle, Peter Castle, Colin Evans and Matt Smith

ITEM 3 (209) DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS None

ITEM 4 (210) The minutes of the meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2013 were approved and signed.

ITEM 5 (211) POLICE REPORT Although Matt Smith could not attend the meeting he reported via email that there had been one incident on 1<sup>st</sup> May that is still under investigation involving an assault connected with road rage.

ITEM 6 (212) MATTERS ARISING

a) NRW Future Management of Tair Onen – Glyn Jenkins gave a short review of previous proposals to develop land in Tair Onen. Rhodri Traherne pointed out that LDP, shortly to be approved, would not permit any development on this site in the foreseeable future. He suggested, after consulting those in Tair Onen through Peter Castle, the Community Council might like to come up with proposals of what the community would like to see there.

Peter Castle had requested a meeting with Jane Hutt AM, Rhodri Traherne and Community Councillors, however it was agreed that after the NRW surgery held in June and assurances from Rhodri Traherne such a meeting would be premature.

b) Site Meeting at Watery Lane with Vale Highways – following this meeting in early June work had not been done as promised at the site meeting. Clerk to provide Rhodri Traherne with a summary of the meeting.

It was agreed that the next meeting would be in early August and, due to the availability of Councillors and Clerk, the meeting in September would be cancelled.

ITEM 7 (213) HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

As requested, the Community Council had been provided by the Vale with their policy for hedge trimming. Rhodri Traherne suggested that in the first instance the Community Council should coax landowners to trim overgrown trees and hedges before informing the Vale Council. Clerk to contact Watts and Morgan to find out the owners of the land between the Village Hall and the fork at Heol y March.

A map of potholes was sent in to Vale Highways.

Following a request by Natalie Bosworth, the Community Council will request that the verges in the area are not cut until after the spring flowers have died off unless visibility for vehicles is impaired. Spring was late this year and Highways will be asked to bear this in mind when scheduling the cutting of verges.

It was agreed that a letter of condolence would be sent to Natalie.

Vale Highways confirmed that resurfacing was scheduled at the end of August on the A4222 between Maendy and Ystradowen and the narrow lane between Welsh St Donats and

Aberthin.

ITEM 8 (214) REPORT FROM RHODRI TRAHERNE Rhodri reported that CRC funding was under threat but hoped funding would continue.

Road signs installed each end of Catreglas Farm Lane to try and discourage larger vehicles using the lane were not entirely suitable and other options were being considered.

Rhodri confirmed that the Welsh Government ICT Grant could be applied for by Councils individually and not necessarily as part of a package..

ITEM 9 (215) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES The Chair and Clerk attended a Cabinet Meeting in Peterston super Ely in June.

ITEM 10 (216) CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE None

ITEM 11 (217) CORRESPONDENCE

Vale of Glamorgan:

- Year Book details - Chair, CLC representatives – submitted

- Valeways Walking Programme Summer 13 - displayed

- Cash Grant successful £1300

- Improvements Objectives 13/14 – approved

One Voice Wales:

- The Voice – circulated

- Request for Welsh National Memorial at Flanders donation – it was agreed that the Community Council's policy to donations would be reviewed at the next meeting

- Wales Government ICT website Grant Programme – details

- Training sessions information circulated: Charing Skills

  - Health and Safety

  - Local Government Finance

  - The Councillor

  - Community Engagement

- Welsh Affairs Committee Press Announcements – evidence sessions on:-

  - Work of Police and Crime Commissioners - circulated

  - Final Work Programme – circulated

- Sustainable Development Bill White Paper – link circulated

Ombudsman for Wales – Annual Report – passed to Bill Fawcett

RCT – CIL draft consultation - noted

Cardiff Conservation Volunteers – publicity information - filed

CPRW – annual magazine – passed to Bill Fawcett

Cowbridge Town Council – invitation to Civic Service 14.7.13 – no Councillor was available to attend

Natural Resources Wales – funding fairs – circulated

Jane Hutt AM – encouraging responses to Health Plan consultation by 19.7.13

Wales NHS Consultation – posters displayed

Rhodri Traherne – Glyn Evans agreement in hand

It was agreed that the donations policy should be reviewed at the next meeting.

ITEM 12 (218) FINANCES

Payments were approved to:-

- a) Greenventure Lawn and Weed for mowing (£220)
- b) Williams Ross Ltd (£60)
- c) Plantscape (three notice boards, one post, delivery and vat) £1890.00

ITEM 13 (219) WEBSITE None

ITEM 14 (220) CURRENT AND FUTURE PROJECTS

Logbook for the pond was signed for June.

It was noted that the Jubilee Hedge was in full bloom.

ITEM 15 (221) ITEMS FOR COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE None

ITEM 16 (222) DOCUMENTS FOR DISCUSSION

- a) Commissioner for Public Service and Deliverance Consultation - recirculated
- b) South Wales Health Plan Formal consultation – some Councillors had made personal responses, Ann Thomas to draft a formal response
- c) Welsh Government ICT Website Programme
- d) Welsh Government TAN 23 Economic Development - recirculated

ITEM 17 (223) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

13/00538/FUL Heol y March – Pony paddock – it was agreed that this might not be an adequate solution for the problem. Councillors suggested a more heavy duty alternative would solve the problem and maintain the health of the horses.

13/00556/ 4 Tair Onen – log store (retrospective) - no comments

There being no other business the Chairman thanked those present for attending and closed the meeting.

