WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING ON 1st December 2015

PRESENT: Councillors Andrew Foyle (in the Chair), Ann Thomas, Peter Castle and Graham Duffield, Rhodri Traherne. Members of the public: Christine Evans, Roger Helliwell

ITEM 1 (636) PUBLIC FORUM

Roger Helliwell was concerned about the absence and condition of existing footway to Cowbridge from Ystradowen. Rhodri confirmed that the 106 agreement through the Edenbrook development in Ystradowen would provide funds to complete the footway. Problems with overhanging branches and the condition of the existing footway should be reported to the Vale through the Clerk.

Christine Evans reported that Christmas Celebrations at Hendrewennol had been cancelled and the covers on the poly tunnels had not all been removed, as advised in the planning approval notice. Clerk to report to Enforcement Unit.

ITEM 2 (637) RECEIVE APOLOGIES Bill Fawcett, Glyn Jenkins, Nick Craddock and PCSO Kieran Byrne .

ITEM 3 (638) DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS Andrew Foyle declared an interest in the planning application for Maendy Ganol, completed a pro forma and left the meeting for any discussions concerning this application.

ITEM 4 (639) The minutes of the meeting on 3rd November 2015 were approved and signed.

ITEM 5 (640) POLICE REPORT There were no recorded crimes in the area in November

ITEM 6 (624) MATTERS ARISING

The working party at the pond had been successful and thanks go to everyone who helped out.

ITEM 7 (641) REPORT FROM RHODRI TRAHERNE

Police: Rhodri would be meeting Alun Michael, Police Commissioner and asked for any issues Councillors would like raised

Hendrewennol: Rhodri explained the complexity of the situation involving several Council Departments and included establishing a historical perspective.

He gave us details of the site meeting (15.12.12) and invited two Council members to attend, venue details to follow.

He also brought the Council up to date with the budgetary constraints affecting all services and car parking charges in Cowbridge and Barry (as yet undecided).

Peter Castle informed the meeting that Jane Hutt AM would be meeting residents of Tair Onen (19.12.15) to discuss concerns over the disposal of land by NRW

Clerk to raise absence of application for Christmas Cash Grant

ITEM 8 (642) HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

Pothles and loose kerbstone in Watery Lane reported.

ITEM 9 (643) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Andrew Foyle attended a OVW training session for Devolution of Services

Ann Thomas attended a full Governors' meeting, a Standards Committee meeting and three Financial meetings and took part in a learning walk at Pendoylan School. Thanks were once again expressed for her efforts.

ITEM 10 (644) CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE. None.

ITEM 11 (645) CORRESPONDENCE TO CLERK

- * received by mail
- + through the website

Vale of Glamorgan (Council Meeting minutes are available on website):

Mike Clogg (Highways) – Heol y March site meeting – it was agreed that Ann Thomas and Andrew Foyle should attend

Hayley Kemp (Enforcement) – update on Enf/0065 Hendrewennol and Enf/0053 Talyfan Castle Farm

CLC minutes and agenda 20.10.15

Regeneration Panel – Rural Community Development fund – information

Vale Co-creating Healthy Change Forum 18.11.15

Development Control: all planning applications from 1.1.16 to be circulated only online*

LDP Plan Examination – further information*

Rob Thomas – acknowledgement of our letter 5.11.15*

Highways – acknowledgement of maps showing potholes, overgrown hedges and grass growing on roads*

Christmas and New Year Public Transport Arrangements for VofG

Marcus Goldsworthy – response to our letter of 5.11.15

LDP Changes to dates of Hearings*

One Voice Wales:

Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens – Guidance

Wales Audit Office newsletter

OVW response to Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

Guidance on Pensions

Grant to OVW Funding Review survey

NW Policing priorities consultations - n/a

Area meeting dates

Ramblers Cymru information

Green Growth Wales – options for investment support consultation – n/a

Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill - comments by 15.2.16 – next meeting

Shannon Robinson to leave – Clerk sent thanks for her services

Community Asset Transfer event

Posts available:

Wales Commissioner to Equality & Human Rights Commission

Chair to Arts Council of Wales

Community Health Council members

Chair and Members National Entity for Welsh Adults Scrutiny Committee

Chair to Career Choices

Welsh Government:

Jan Hutt's Office – requesting CC's understanding of present position regarding business an disruption at Hendrewennol – summary sent

Gareth Thomas (Natural Resources Wales) – response to our letter regarding signs to Hendrewennol in the Forest – it was agreed to clarify between the Community Hall Committee and Community Council and to ensure NRW was aware the some Hendrewennol signs were screwed to trees.

Rhodri Traherne – Road Works report and road closure notices

Roger Helliwell (resident) request for footway at junction of Watery Lane and A4222, cut back overgrown hedge between Aberthin and Cowbridge

PCSO Kieron Byrne – confirmation – damaged sign at turn off from A48

Nick Craddock (resident) – copies of photos of signs in Hensol Forest near Hendrewennol and events at Hendrewennol 14-15

Bill Fawcett – comments for Hendrewennol site meeting

Glyn Jenkins – copy email from Vale 'Perfect Day' training at Hendrewennol

Twelve Residents from Heol y March – copy letter sent to Alun Cairns MP and others concerning Hendrewennol

WSD PC – Chris Samuel acknowledgement of maintenance grant with thanks and payment for Church portion of grass cutting 2015

Charles Keen, Hendrewennol – requesting further information – it was agreed a response would be drafted.

Peter Beddoes – signed contract for 2016*

Stephen Lowe – ecologist – clearing pond in January to be done by volunteers – bank can be cleared up to mid February

CPRW - autumn magazine*

Sian Evans, resident Highgrove – Edenbrook Development off Sandy Lane – Clerk to pass comments to Vale

Advertising: e-mango business solutions

Conservatives

It was agreed the Clerk would add the date emails were circulated to the correspondence list.

ITEM 12 (646) FINANCES None

ITEM 13 (647) WEBSITE None

ITEM 14 (648) CURRENT AND FUTURE PROJECTS

Logbook for the pond signed for November

ITEM 15 (649) ITEMS FOR COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE. None

ITEM 16 (650) DOCUMENTS FOR DISCUSSION None

ITEM 17 (651) PLANNING

Applications:

2015/01266/FUL1 Maendy Ganol – no comments

Applications approved:

2015/01117/FUL(SZ) Maes y Ward Farm, Bonvilston – construction of new agricultural building

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