

WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING ON 12th January 2016

PRESENT: Councillors Andrew Foyle (in the Chair), Ann Thomas, Peter Castle, Glyn Jenkins, Nick Craddock, Bill Fawcett and Graham Duffield. Members of the public: Christine Evans, Iltud Dafydd, Jen Dafydd and Richard Phillips

ITEM 1 (652) PUBLIC FORUM

Residents from Tair Onen expressed their concerns over the future of NRW land in Tair Onen and requested the Community Council write to the Vale Council.

Nick Craddock (as a resident) wanted to have recorded appreciation for the excellent work Rhodri Traherne had done in arranging and chairing the meeting in the Bonvilston Reading Rooms on 15.12.15.

A resident of Heol y March asked if the Keens could be asked by the Community Council for proof of events that had taken place over previous years as claimed. Councillors agreed that was already being dealt with by the Enforcement Unit.

ITEM 2 (653) RECEIVE APOLOGIES Rhodri Traherne, Louise O'Shea, and PCSO Kieran Byrne. Louise O'Shea expressed her wish to resign from the Community Council as she had been unable to attend many recent meetings. Ann Thomas would enquire whether she could remain a trustee of the Charity Trust.

ITEM 3 (654) DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS Councillors Peter Castle, concerning Tair Onen, and Nick Craddock, concerning Hendrewennol, both declared interests, completed a proforma and left the meeting for any discussions.

ITEM 4 (655) The minutes of the meeting on 1st December 2015 were approved and signed.

ITEM 5 (656) POLICE REPORT There were no recorded crimes in the area in December

ITEM 6 (657) MATTERS ARISING

It was agreed that information provided by a resident on 31.11.15 should be redacted and forwarded to Charles Keen.

It was agreed that in future information requested under FOI should be sent by mail with signature required. Clerk to look at suitable method.

It was agreed the Clerk should circulate a draft copy of the minutes after each meeting.

The Clerk is considering improvements to the recording of information in the minutes and changes to the format of meetings with guidance from OVW and will prepare for discussion at the next meeting.

It was agreed the Clerk should circulate draft minutes soon after each meeting.

ITEM 7 (658) REPORT FROM RHODRI TRAHERNE None

ITEM 8 (659) HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

The volume of traffic on Sandy Lane and through WSD had been noted and a letter to the Vale Council would be drafted.

A map of potholes and areas of recent flooding would be sent to Highways, as well as notice of broken stiles (footpaths 13 and 10), a blocked culverts (near Bryn y Ddafad) and overgrown hedges (Heol y March). Fly tipping on the lane to Catreglas, and a dislodged sign forbidding

motor cycling in Hensol Forest would be reported to NRW

ITEM 9 (660) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Ann Thomas and Andrew Foyle attended a meeting at Bonvilston Reading Room for members of the Vale Council and residents of Hendrewennol on 15.12.15. Minutes were circulated prior to this meeting. It was agreed to review progress at the next meeting.

Peter Castle attended a meeting with Jane Hutt AM and residents of Tair Onen regarding the disposal of land at Tair Onen. Minutes were circulated prior to this meeting. It was agreed that a letter to the Vale Council would be drafted. An original plan of the area would be circulated to all Councillors.

ITEM 10 (661) CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE . None.

ITEM 11 (662) CORRESPONDENCE TO CLERK

*received by mail

Circulation dates are in brackets

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

Corporate Plan 16-20 Consultation to 20.1.16 (16.12.15)

Safer Vale and Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter (17.12.15)

Electoral Register 2015

Christmas CASH Grants – it was agreed not to apply. Payment was made in error.

Request for precept by 31.1.16. Levy of £1.00 produces £314

Xmas Greeting video

Valeways Winter Walking programme – displayed

Debbie Marles – Monitoring Officer – made aware by Ombudsman of complaint

One Voice Wales:

Consultation (to 28/1/16) on the Draft Public Health Outcomes Framework for Wales (7.12.15)

Natural Resources Bulletin December 15 (7.12.15)

Buckingham Palace Garden Party Invitation – passed to Chair (9.12.15)

Positive Planning Implementation Plan (10.12.15)

What to do before, during and after a flood n/a

Invitation for Nominations – New Year 2017 Honours Round (16.12.15)

Information following Integrated Health and Social Care event (3.1.16)

Paul Egan – advice on procedural matters to be discussed at February meeting

Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations - information

First World War Partnership Day – information

Minutes of meeting 25.1.16 – to be circulated prior to the next meeting.

Posts available: Independent Member of Board of Community Health
Councils in Wales

Vice Chair and Independent Members to NHS Wales

Welsh Government: Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill and Explanatory

Memorandum engagement events on 2.2.16 (18.12.15)

Strategic Framework for Welsh Language Services in Health, Social Services
and Social Care consultation to 28.2.16 and event Cardiff 22.16
(17.12.15)

Transparency of Senior Remuneration (3.1.16)

Rhodri Traherne – notice of road closures, notice of Edenbrook, Ystradowen,

Bellways funding under Section 106 would go to improving the footway to Cowbridge and improvements to the Village Hall. Contributions to Education is currently under consideration.

Andrew RT Davies – information sheet - displayed

Plantscape – confirming cost to repair the Highgrove notice board £150.00 + vat

Ombudsman – notice of code of conduct complaint. Further details to follow*

Jane Hutt's Office – acknowledgment of receipt of CC summary for Hendrewennol and Christmas card

Christine Evans – copy response from Vale Council concerning her query regarding poly tunnel covers at Hendrewennol

Judith Roberts, Clerk Pendoylan – requesting confirmation that a student applying for a grant is resident in WSD

Graham Duffield – confirming rental charges remain the same for 2016-17

Louise O'Shea – expressing a wish to resign

Illtud Dafydd (trainee journalist) – wishing to attend a meeting

Sian Evans – Edenbrook Sandy Lane – notification of improved signage to development and concerns over access for emergency vehicles (7.12.15)

Planning Aid Wales training day – Nick Craddock to attend

Peter Castle – summary of meeting with Jane Hutt AM regarding Tair Onen – circulated

Ann Thomas – summary of meeting at Bonvilston Reading Room 15.12.15 - circulated

Advertising: Grave Digging Services – passed on to Chris Samuel

ITEM 12 (663) FINANCES

a) the precept was set at £5,000.00 for the financial 2016-17

A cheque was approved to reimburse the Vale Council for funds sent in error (£315.00)

Payment for repairing the notice board at Highgrove was approved. £75.00 to remove, pack for sending and reinstalling. £150.00 for repair.

It was agreed the Clerk could submit cheques up to £30 to pay for training fees between meetings. The payment would be recorded in the minutes of the next meeting.

An increase in the Clerk's salary as recommended by the internal auditor and appointment of a new internal auditor were discussed.

ITEM 13 (664) WEBSITE None

ITEM 14 (665) CURRENT AND FUTURE PROJECTS

Logbook for the pond signed for December

ITEM 15 (666) ITEMS FOR COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE. None

ITEM 16 (667) DOCUMENTS FOR DISCUSSION

Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill – comments by 15.2.16 – to be discussed at the next meeting

Vale of Glamorgan Council Draft Corporate Plan 2016-20 – no comments

ITEM 17 (668) PLANNING

Applications:

2015/01399/FUL Owls Lodge, Bonvilston – no comments

2015/01259/FUL Tynytwod Cottage, Sandy Lane Ystradowen – no comments

Approved:
2015/01266/FUL1 Maendy Ganol

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