

**WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING ON**  
**4<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Nick Craddock (in the Chair), Glyn Jenkins and Andrew Foyle  
Members of the public: Christine and Rhydian Evans (Heol y March) and Scott Lewis (Hendrewennol)

**1 (49) PUBLIC FORUM:** Christine and Rhydian Evans expressed their great disappointment in the Planning Inspectorate Inquiry Report concerning Hendrewennol. They queried the wisdom of a site visit in January when there was no activity at the Fruit Farm and felt the history of CRC funding had been unhelpful. They suggested SW Police time, at the cost of the taxpayer, should not be spent directing traffic, attending events and checking signage. They also noted that the stile and gate at Hendrewennol on Footpath 40 had not been repaired. Scott Lewis said members of the Keens family had intended to come to the meeting but felt it was insensitive. They had asked him to request that the Community Council and residents go to the Keen family first with any concerns in the future. Scott Lewis said he had been repeatedly requesting the Footpaths Office to repair the gate/stile on Footpath 40 without success.

**2 (50) RECEIVE APOLOGIES:** PC Mark Goulding from South Wales Police. Councillors Ann Thomas, Graham Duffield and Emma Hall. County Councillor Michael Morgan.

**3 (51) DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS:** Nick Craddock declared an interest in Hendrewennol, signed a proforma and stated that he would leave the meeting for any discussion.

**4 (52) MINUTES AND AGENDA:** The minutes of the meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2017 and agenda for current meeting were approved and signed.

**5. (53) POLICE REPORT** Although no member of SW Police was available to attend the meeting, PC Mark Goulding sent in the following report:  
Further to our last we have one crime for the last thirty days;  
27/06/2017 Malicious Communications via Facebook – enquires ongoing.  
With regards Mr & Mrs Williams I can confirm they both passed away of Natural Causes, and may they both rest in peace.

**6 (54) MATTERS ARISING:**

**1. Hendrewennol:** The Chairman stated that the Inquiry report had recently been published. No discussion took place because the meeting would be inquorate in the absence of the Chairman.

**.2. Tair Onen:** Nothing to report – no discussion

**3. Castell Talyfan:** No response had been received from the Vale Council to repeated requests for information. At his request, Michael Morgan had been provided with details after the last meeting.

**Action:** Clerk to ask Michael Morgan if there was anything to report

**4. Village Hall Signage:** Graham Duffield was not present and therefore unable to give the Village Hall Committee's views on the funding of signage to the Village Hall - no discussion and to be discussed at the next meeting.

**Action:** Add to next agenda

**5. Co-option of two councillors.** There had been no response to the notice requesting candidates so it was agreed to contact Peter Castle to see if he would be willing to return and Wendy Jones at Highgrove who had previously expressed an interest to the Clerk (via her husband).

**Action:** Clerk to contact Peter Castle and invite Wendy Jones to our next meeting to see if she would be like to represent the interests of Highgrove.

**6. Cherry Orchard Farm.** An amended plan was sent regarding improving the access, there were no queries from Councillors, and the recently added mobile home was with the Enforcement Unit. Investigations are on-going and a response would be sent shortly.

It was agreed Louise O'Shea (a former Community Councillor representing Highgrove) should be sent congratulations on the birth of her second baby.

**Action:** Clerk to write to Louise O'Shea

**7. (55) REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MORGAN:** None

**8. (56) HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS:**

It was noted Scott Lewis would attend to the stile on Footpath 40 at Hendrewennol  
Andrew Foyle queried whether the potholes at Germonds Farm entrance had been filled.

**Action:** Clerk to check and inform Vale Highways if necessary

**9. (57) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES:**

The Chair had attended the Civic Service on 2.7.17 to welcome the incoming Mayor

**10. (58) CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**11. (59) CORRESPONDENCE TO CLERK:**

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** (Circulation dates in brackets)

\*received by mail

**Vale of Glamorgan Council:**

(Council Meeting and CLC meeting agenda and minutes are available on website)

Consultation to 15.9.17 – Active Travel – consultation document (18.6.17)

Planning – Cherry Orchard Farm update

**One Voice Wales:**

AGM - Builth Wells 30.9.17 -

**Action:** Clerk to request application form

Paul Egan – copy of most recent Financial Regulations

**General:**

Michael Morgan – copy of request for signage over the summer months from Hendrewennol - noted

Cowbridge TC – invitation to Chair and guest to Civic Service  
2.7.17 – Chair to attend

Louise England – potholes on the lane to Pwll-y-Darren Farm –

Reported

Glyn Jenkins – details of funeral for Tony and Faith Williams – circulated and Clerk instructed to send a letter of condolence to Ruth Williams

**NO ACTION NEEDED**

**Vale of Glamorgan Council:**

LDP Inspector's report available on website – adoption considered  
28.6.17\*

**Welsh Government:** Historic Environment update

Workshops for management and disposal of radioactive waste

**One Voice Wales:**

Bulletin

Conference for Larger Councils – details

Training and workshops

Area meeting agenda 10.7.17 – forwarded to Andrew Foyle

Great Places Scheme

Sustainable Management Scheme

CRC Growing Community Spirit Launch

**General:**

Graham Duffield – Fly the Red Ensign for Merchant Navy Day 23.9.17 – sent to him as Chair

Barry TC Civic Service invitation – Chair declined

Michael Morgan – temporary road closures

Chris Samuel – requesting verge cutting dates – Clerk confirmed verges are cut mid-July in rural lanes

VAT Repayment 16-17 £192.34

**Donation requests:**

CPRW\*

**12. (60) TRAINING:** No discussion.

**13. (61) FINANCES**

**1. To pay:** GreenVenture Lawn and Weed grass cutting in June (£410.00)

**14 (44) WEBSITE:** No discussion

**15 (45) PROJECTS:**

Glyn Jenkins brought to the attention of the meeting that a local resident had spoken to him about the footpath near the pond and Church in Welsh St Donats. The resident believes he should receive a way-leave payment from Vale Council. The Chair suggested it will be helpful for the Community Council to check its own records for any prior mention of the footpath in case it is asked for comment by the resident or the Vale Council.

**Action:** Clerk to check records in Glamorgan Records for information.

Pond log book signed for June

**16 (46) ITEMS FOR COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE: None**

**17 (47) DOCUMENTS FOR DISCUSSION**

1 .Graham Duffield had queried which elements of the Financial Regulations (recently

circulated for adoption) were intended for Welsh Councils. The Clerk had sought clarification from One Voice Wales and awaits a response.

Regarding bank signatories, both the Clerk and Chair had had telephone conversations with Barclays Mandate Team about changing signatories and reviewing the existing mandate. In order to simplify adding signatories in the future (a significant number of Councillors are existing Lloyds customers), it was agreed the Clerk should approach Lloyds Bank to see what service they offer.

**Action:** Clerk to discuss with Lloyds Bank and report back. Bank Signatories and Financial Regulations would be items for the next agenda

**2. Active Travel Consultation** – it was agreed that it would be more appropriate for residents to make their individual responses.

**Action:** Clerk to include in update

## **18 (48) PLANNING**

### **Applications:**

17 Tair Onen – no comments - following online consultation comments submitted 8.6.17

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