

WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDDUNWYDD
MINUTES OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
ON 1st MAY 2018

PRESENT: Councillors Nick Craddock (in the Chair), Graham Duffield, Ann Thomas, Peter Castle, Andrew Foyle, Glyn Jenkins, Emma Hall and Mark Hastings. County Councillor Michael Morgan

Members of the Public: Three residents from Welsh St Donats and a resident from outside the area (Pendoylan).

1. (186) PUBLIC FORUM: Two topics were raised by members of the public:-

- M4/A48 Link. Those residents present from Welsh St Donats and Pendoylan were strongly opposed to the proposed M4/A48 Link. They questioned the need for a link and wondered why residents had not been consulted on this issue rather than a consultation on choice of routes. There was criticism of the consultation process that had not, in their view, fully addressed all issues, such as the lack of any analysis of the impact on traffic on surrounding villages. Two residents had major concerns regarding the impact a link would have on the environment, the increase in noise and light emissions, the effect on local residents, existing lanes and the destruction of a beautiful and environmentally important area. One resident was in favour of developing the parkway proposal near the M4 and considered investment in public transport a preferable option to the Link.
- Planning application 18/00330/FUL. A resident expressed his concern that the location proposed was not a suitable location for a traveller site or related business location. The access was poor and, in his view, the owner had no local links. He felt there were other more suitable locations for such development.

2. (187) RECEIVE APOLOGIES: PC Dan Rees

3. (188) DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS None

4. (189) MINUTES AND AGENDA The minutes of meeting 10th April 2018 and AGM agenda and ordinary meeting agenda were approved and signed.

5. (190) POLICE REPORT No member of the Police was available to attend the meeting. However PC Dan Rees emailed that there had been no reported crime in the area in the last 30 days.

Mark Hastings recommended to the meeting that residents should check the identity of those selling door to door posing as ex-prisoners as this is a well-known scam and he had recently received such a visit.

6. (191) MATTERS ARISING

1. Tair Onen: Peter Castle reported that residents still had concerns over the status of land for sale in Tair Onen and there was some confusion over the maintenance of access roads within Tair Onen. Visibility of the bus shelter from the A48 was still of concern

and as no response had been received from a previous email to the Vale Council, it was agreed this should be followed up.

Action: Clerk to resend email to Vale Council, copy to Michael Morgan

2. Castell Talyfan: No response had been received from Vale Planning following comments sent in in April.

3. GDPR: The Chair had prepared, in line with guidance from NALC, two privacy notices, one for the Community Council staff and contractors, and one for members of the public, a Data Protection policy for the Community Council and a Subject Access Policy. These were discussed and approved.

The Community Council is to register as a Data Controller with the Information Commission and awaits further advice on appointing a Data Protection Officer.

Action: The policies will be posted on the website before the end of May.

It was agreed that Councillors' contact details for the website should be discussed at the next meeting.

Action: Add to agenda

4. Age Cymru donation: After discussion it was agreed to follow the Community Council's usual policy of not giving donations.

5. Representations M4 Link: Councillors discussed the consultation and it was agreed to make a representation. Concerns focussed on the impact on the environment, increased traffic in the lanes, and criticism of the inadequate analyses undertaken and information provided in the consultation.

Action: Emma Hall to draft and then circulate for online discussion and approval.

6. School Ambassador to Pendoylan School: the Clerk to Pendoylan Community Council had provided further information about the role and it was agreed that this should be put in the Community Council update to see if anyone would like to take on the role.

Action: Clerk to include in update.

7. (192) REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR: Regarding the proposals for the M4 Link, Michael Morgan reported that he considered the consultation had not given all interested bodies time to respond and had asked the Vale Council to extend the consultation period to the end of May. Having spoken to local residents, he reported that many felt their views had not been listened to and that they had been given no visual impression of what the proposals would look like. Michael Morgan considered that his role in the consultation was to listen to all views and then present them to the Vale Council, however he did feel that a community solution was ultimately needed. He noted that many had had problems using the consultation website. Michael also wished to promote Community Arts in the Vale, which is one of his personal interests.

8. (193) HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

1. Elan City Evolis Radar Speed Signs – Emma Hall had explored this option and concluded that it was costly and may not be entirely suitable for Welsh St Donats at present. In the first instance she recommended the Community Council sign up to the '20 is plenty' group.

Action: Emma Hall to send Clerk application form.

It was also agreed the Community Council should find out from the Vale how we should apply for permission to install any sort of speed reduction signage.

Action: Clerk to contact Vale Highways for details.

9. (194) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Andrew Foyle had attended a One Voice Wales meeting at which the meeting was informed that Southerndown Beach were applying for 'blue flag' status.

10. (195) CORRESPONDENCE TO CHAIR. None

11. (196) CORRESPONDENCE TO CLERK

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION (Circulation dates in brackets):

*received by mail

Vale of Glamorgan Council:

Rural Community Development Fund – funding possibilities for community including broadband infrastructure - noted.

One Voice Wales:

Training:- Making effective grant applications, Understanding the Law, May training sessions, code of conduct (5.6.18)

ICO (GDPR) statement for town and community councils - noted

GDPR – the government is amending the Data Protection Bill to exempt all town and community councils from the requirement to appoint a Data Protection Officer but would consider it good practice to appoint one – noted.

CRC – request for rural community venues - noted

Paul Egan – requirement to register with ICO as Data Controller and pay fee

Action: Clerk to register

Welsh Government:

Jane Hutt's Office: confirmation from BT OpenReach that any area not completed in the current programme will not receive Superfast broadband. Welsh Government is looking to procure a successor programme to pick up unfinished areas. CFP and grants are available to for those who don't want to wait.

Independent Review Panel – pop in session 24.5.18

General:

Emma Hall: to attend Link meeting on 17.4.18 apologies for not being at last meeting and not able to take on School Ambassador role.

Michael Morgan, County Councillor – information about M4 Link and City Deal.

Allan Williams quotation for trimming the hedges and removing cuttings at the area around the pond £250.00 plus vat

Former County Councillor – suggested donation, from his daughter, of a photo to commemorate his contribution to providing Welsh St Donats with a Village Hall - it was agreed the Community Council were not against this proposal but that the Village Hall Committee should make the decision

Action: Clerk to contact Graham Duffield as a Village Hall Committee member and formerly ask if they are happy with the proposal. It was agreed that

the Village Hall Committee should liaise directly with the former County Councillor's daughter.

Clerk to Pendoylan CC – outline of role of School Ambassador

Action: Clerk to put in Community update

SW Police – National Rural Crime Survey 2018 – to 10.6.18 – for individual response.

Action: Clerk to include in Community Update

Clerk Peterston super Ely CC – request for details of WSD CC response to M4/A48 Link consultation

Action: Copy of response to be sent when approved.

Wales Audit Office – Speak my language: overcoming language and communications barriers in public service

Resident of Welsh St Donats – forwarding CEO OpenReach email address

Action: Clerk to include in Community update

NO ACTION NEEDED:

Vale of Glamorgan Council:

Cllr Michael Morgan – request to extend consultation period for M4/A48 Link proposals and bring further opportunities for locals residents to view the proposals

Cllr Geoff Cox – acknowledgement of our request for resurfacing route

One Voice Wales:

Welsh Government:

Community Assets Transfer conference – change of date

Public appointments: Welsh Language Team Support Officers, listing of public appointments to mid May.

Historic Environment update – copied to PCC

General:

Council for Education in World Citizenship – leadership course – unsubscribe?

SW Fire and Rescue Service Strategic Plan for 18-23

Wales Audit – a picture of primary care in Wales

Advertising:

X2Connect – repair and maintenance for adopted telephone boxes, Vale Tourism Association– networking event 2.5.18, Online Playgrounds, Kompan play and fitness equipment, St Donats Arts Centre Box Office, Calor Rural Grants, UWC Leadership Programme, British Institute of Facilities Management course at Gower College Swansea

Action: Clerk to unsubscribe where possible from advertising emails.

12. (197) TRAINING Nothing to report.

13. (198) FINANCES

1. To approve payments on Schedule: St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council for training sessions (£40.94), AD Williams for internal audit 17-18 (£250.00), Allan Williams for cutting grass in April (£318.00), Allan Williams to cut and clear bushes at pond (£300.00), Zurich Insurance to 31.5.19 (£257.60), One Voice Wales training session (£26.60).

2. The accounts for 17-18 were approved and signed and the Annual Governance Statement for the Annual Return for Wales Audit (external audit) was completed and signed. The Internal Auditor had approved the accounts for 17-18 and had no comments

to make.

14. (199) WEBSITE None.

15 (200) CURRENT AND FUTURE PROJECTS

Log book for the pond signed for April. Bushes and hedging around the pond had been trimmed and cut back and the general appearance of the area was much less overgrown.

16. (201) ITEMS FOR COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE. None

17. (202) DOCUMENTS FOR DISCUSSION. None

18. (203) PLANNING:

2018/LBC Great House, Church Lane, Welsh St Donats – consultation carried out online – no comments

2018/00330/FUL The Stables, Redway Road, Bonvilston –following a discussion of this application it was agreed that a councillor would draft a response.

Actions: Councillor to draft a response and circulate for approval.

Clerk to request an extension to the time limit for consultation

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