

**WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDDWUDD**  
**MINUTES OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING ON**  
**16<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Emma Hall, (in the Chair), Nick Craddock, Mark Hastings, Andrew Foyle, Glyn Jenkins, Peter Castle and Graham Duffield.

**1 (426) PUBLIC FORUM:** No member of the public attended the meeting.

**2 (427) RECEIVE APOLOGIES:** Councillor Ann Thomas, County Councillor Michael Morgan and Inspector Andrew Rice (SW Police)

**3 (428) DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS:** None

**4 (429) MINUTES AND AGENDA:** The minutes of the meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and agenda for current meeting were approved and signed.

**5. (430) POLICE REPORT:** No representative of SW Police could be present however PC Stuart Elson contacted the Clerk following the meeting giving his apologies and had no crimes to report in June.

**6 (431) REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MORGAN:** None

**7. (432) MATTERS ARISING:**

**(1) Castell Talyfan:** as nothing had been received since 8.6.18 from Vale Planning regarding application 16/00335/FUL, it was agreed to request an update.

**Action:** Clerk to contact Vale Planning

**(2) Overgrown hedges obstructing footway on A4222:** Andrew Foyle noted that this footway between Ystradowen and Aberthin was well used and needed cutting back extensively to avoid pedestrians having to step into the road. Councillors requested clarification as to who is legally responsible should there be an accident as a result of this negligence.

**Action:** Clerk to report, including photos, and copy in Michael Morgan

**(3) Reporting fly-tipping:** fly-tipping occurs frequently in the Welsh St Donats area and is reported promptly to the relevant authority in line with guidance provided by the Vale Council. This is accompanied by photos of the extent and location of the fly-tipping and includes evidence that would be useful when seeking the perpetrator of this criminal offence. It was agreed to request feedback in the form of crime statistics and information about any prosecutions regarding fly-tipping in both Welsh St Donats and the Vale.

**Action:** Clerk to forward request to the Vale Council and copy in Michael Morgan.

Hedges at Highgrove, opposite the passing point, and on the bend near Penffordd-fawr Cottage were in need of attention.

**Action:** Clerk to report

It was noted Ann Thomas had requested that any discussion of an amendment of the Standing Orders should be take place at the next meeting.

**Action:** Clerk to add to agenda

**8. (433) HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY:**

It was noted that potholes in Heol y March, reported to Highways in June, had been repaired apart from those described by Highways as having 'numerous defects on the soft verges'. Following a discussion it was agreed to request a definition of a 'soft verges' and clarification as to where the carriageway stops and the soft verge starts.

**Action:** Clerk to forward request to Vale Highways

Andrew Foyle reported a blocked footpath and broken stile between Maendy and Newton.

**Action:** Clerk to forward to PROW at the Vale Council

**9. (434) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES: None**

**10. (435) CORRESPONDENCE TO THE CHAIR: None**

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

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION (Circulation dates of documents in brackets):**

\*received by mail

**Vale of Glamorgan Council:** Notification that robust bollards have been installed on Watery Lane where the land falls away sharply at the edge of the tarmac

**One Voice Wales:**

Paul Egan – Model Habitual or vexatious complainants policy – discussion postponed to next meeting.

**Action:** Clerk to put on agenda

Bulletin – containing information on online basic training courses

ICO Session – further information regarding GDPR

**General:**

Michael Morgan – Highways will look into removing diversion signs through Welsh St Donats now Sycamore Cross is accessible once more from Pendoylan (with temporary lights), however 5 Mile Lane will be closed at weekends for four weeks commencing 7<sup>th</sup> June.

Confirmation that Highways will fill potholes between Ty Isha and the Grange, however numerous defects on the soft verges will not be repaired.

**NO ACTION NEEDED:**

**Vale of Glamorgan Council:**

Reshaping local services – workshop

Valeways Guided Walks

\*CLC agenda 2.7.19 – no representatives available

Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales – report to be presented to Cabinet 15.7.19

Section 106 Agreements – Annual Report

Civic Service 14.7.18 – Chair unable to attend

**One Voice Wales:**

Social Care Wales – carer workers award

Woodland Trust – grant for tree care

Conference and AGM 5.10.19 – Andrew Foyle unable to attend

**Welsh Government:**

Renewing Democracy – update

Written Statement – non domestic rates relief for public toilets

Senedd and Elections (Wales) Bill Stage 1 Debate 10.7.19

**General:**

Penarth Town Council – invitation to Chair, coffee morning - declined

PC Stuart Elson – his apologies for not attending 4.6.19 meeting but he was detained by last minute Police duties

Wales Audit - webinar on internal audit arrangements

Office of Future Generations Commissioner for Wales – forthcoming events

Older Peoples Commissioner for Wales – spring newsletter

CRC – workshops – bike friendly survey

Barry Town Council – Charity Quiz Night

Older Peoples Commissioner for Wales – Wales Ambulance Carers Survey

Michael Morgan – agenda for next scrutiny meeting 25.6.19 including report on A48/M4 Link – confirmation that the responsibility for keeping vegetation from obscuring the mirror on the A4222 at Maendy lies with the owners of the hedge.

Michael Morgan – confirmation that the proposed footway scheme on the A4222 between Maendy and Aberthin using S106 funding has been abandoned in favour of bus shelter in Ystradowen due to problems over landownership and consent.

PMSA workshop and Geospatial Commission Annual Plan

Emma Hall reported litter in on footpath 22 (reported) and Japanese knotweed in Heol y March (NRW treating in the Forest part and ownership of remaining area to be established. Vale Council to be informed by NRW).

Rogerstone and Bassaleg Joint Burial Board requests information to help compare burial costs – submitted summary

South Wales Fire and Rescue Service – have your say

A resident of Heol y March commenting on 19/00708/FUL

**Advertising:** 20s Plenty for Us, Modem Gov – speaking with impact course, Sports and Play Consultants, \*Creative Play

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

**13. (438) FINANCES:**

**(1) Payment approved:** Allan Williams for mowing in May (£318.00) invoice 2129

**Actions:** Clerk to process payment online

The Annual Return was submitted to the Wales Audit and the relevant notices were displayed on the notice boards in line with the requirements of Wales Audit.

**14. (437) WEBSITE:** No discussion.

**15. (438) PROJECTS:**

The Log Book for June was signed.

It was agreed to request a quote from Allan Williams to trim down to a height of 150mm everything between the knee rail and the rear fence, including vegetation in the pond,

**Action:** Clerk to request a quotation

**16. (423) ITEMS FOR COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE:** None

**17. (424) DOCUMENTS FOR DISCUSSION:** None

**18. (425) PLANNING:**

**Applications received:**

2019/00696/FUL Hensol Cottage, Welsh St Donats – no concerns were raised regarding the stables per se, but Councillors were concerned about the scale and extent of the remaining part of the proposed building in comparison to the size of the field. No reason or justification was given in the statement for the need for a building of this size.

**Action:** Clerk to forward comments

2019/00708/FUL Cherry Orchard Farm, Welsh St Donats – Councillors were unable to make any decision on this application due to the lack of information on the website.

**Action:** Clerk to contact Planning and request any further details. Comments would be submitted after an online consultation between Councillors

2019/00734/FUL 3 Heol Mynydd, Welsh St Donats – it was agreed that this application appeared to be identical to the previous application 18/01340/FUL

**Action:** Clerk to contact Planning for further details. Comments would be submitted after an online consultation between Councillors

**Applications approved by Vale Council:**

2019/00538/FUL 25, Tair Onen, Nr. Cowbridge

It was noted that at the stables on Sandy Lane between Ty Mynydd Farm and Welsh St Donats village that construction work had begun. It was agreed to ask Vale Planning whether additional planning consent was required.

**Action:** Clerk to contact the Enforcement Unit.

It was also noted residents still had concerns about dogs barking at the site above. It was agreed to suggest residents should write in to the Clerk outlining their concerns or come to a meeting and express their concerns directly to Councillors in the Public Forum. The Clerk would then be able to raise this with the Vale Council.

**Action:** Clerk to put in Community Update.

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