WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL UPDATE

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PUBLIC FORUM: residents from Heol-y-March presented their views regarding increasing events held at Hendrewennol. It was agreed the Community Council would seek clarification of the issues raised, a copy of this letter to the Vale Council is available from the Clerk on request. A resident from Welsh St Donats reiterated concerns about the speed of traffic through the village. It was suggested those with concerns should write in to the Clerk so further options could be explored.

DOCUMENTS: Councillors read and discussed the Welsh Government's Reforming Local Government (a response is being drafted), One Voice Wales' Training Strategy (survey to be completed), the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Review and the South Wales Police and Crime Plan (comments were submitted).

HIGHWAYS: Potholes and mud on the lanes have been reported throughout the area to the Vale Council. Please let me, or the Vale Council, know by email or phone of any of which you are aware.

FINANCE: The notice board at Tair Onen has been repaired and put back. Payment to Greenlawn Venture and Plantscape for doing the work was paid and we await reimbursement for Zurich Insurance. Thanks were given to Graham Duffield for running the website on behalf of the Community Council and a domain charge was paid. The Clerk's salary was approved and PAYE payments would be made before the end of the financial year. The bench at Maendy Corner was completely destroyed, presumably by a vehicle. An insurance claim is underway. If anyone saw what happened, we would welcome details.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: It was noted that 14/1450/FUL Tair Onen, St Hilary, 14/01496/FUL Maendy Isaf Lane and 14/01238/FUL Brynheulog, WSD were all approved.

POLICE: A theft was reported from a house in Welsh St Donats.

CREATIVE RURAL COMMUNITIES: I have put copies in the porch of the Church of the newsletter, please take a copy or look online www.creativeruralcommunities.co.uk.

RECYCLING: There is to be a increase in the range of waste management items that householders can obtain on a chargeable basis from April 2015. This includes kitchen caddy boxes and bags, recycling boxes and bags, and dog fouling bags. Details of where these can be purchased will appear in the next update. Blue and green waste bags still remain available at Cowbridge Library.

A working party will tidy up the area around the pond in Welsh St Donats during March. The newly installed kissing gate marks the start of the diverted footpath to Caercaddy.

Should you wish to have anything raised at our next meeting on 14th April and the AGM on 5th May, please let me know beforehand by dropping me a line or email. Members of the public are welcome to attend our meetings and can speak to the Council during the Public Forum item first on the agenda.

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