WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL www.welshstdonats.co.uk August 2016

Nick Craddock was elected as Vice-Chair at our meeting on 4th August.

POLICE: PC Mark Goulding reported one recorded crime in the area the start of June, some foam and plastic signs had been taken from Hendrewennol in mid June. However, thefts from garages and sheds in other areas had risen sharply. It seems a criminal team has targeted Peterston super Ely between 1am and 6am using a small light coloured vehicle. While arrests have been made in Cardiff and Llantwit Major where similar thefts were taking place, PC Goulding urged people to be vigilant and keep shed and garage doors shut and preferably locked even when gardening equipment is in use. Any suspicious activity should be reported to the Police.

HENDREWENNOL: It was noted that an Enforcement Order had been issued to remove a building and all equipment used for leisure or recreational purposes on the side. The order comes into force on 31st August 2016.

HIGHWAYS: Overhanging branches over the highway around Heol y March were reported for attention. Verge cutting has been completed, however it was agreed that the vision splay at the junction of Watery Lane and the A4222 should be cut regularly to maintain a clear view for those accessing the A4222 from Watery Lane. The Community Council is continuing to put pressure on the Vale Footpaths Office to clear and repair various footpaths and stiles in the area. Please let me know if you know of any block paths or dilapadated stiles.

FINANCE: Payment was approved for grass cutting in July.

DOCUMENTS: Councillors discussed the Welsh Government's survey concerning the rates of stamp duty on additional residential properties (no comments) and Planning Policy in Wales (survey completed with no further comments), The Law Commission's consultation on Planning Law in Wales (Councillors supported suggestions made in the consultation). Recently amended financial regulations and additional financial regulations were approved. These are now displayed on the website.

PLANNING: An application was received and discussed for 21 Tair Onen 16/00509/FUL, members had no observations to make.

Our next meetings is on 6th September, the Agenda will be displayed on notice boards and the website at least 3 clear days before the meeting. Residents are welcome and have the opportunity to speak to Councillors regarding any items on the Agenda at the start of the meeting. If you have something you would like to raise with the Council, please email or write to the Clerk at least seven days before the meeting so it can be included on the agenda. The website has further information about the Community Council, please be a frequent visitor.

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