

WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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PLEASE NOTE: the dates of our next two meetings are 30th October and 11th December

POLICE: PC Mark Goulding was present at our meeting on 2nd October and reported no crime in the Welsh St Donats area over the last month. He is to be transferred over December and January to another area and will be replaced by PC 4570 Stuart Elson. PCSO 56572 Sion Summers will start in January. PC Goulding has prepared all the necessary information for those wishing to volunteer for the Speed Watch Scheme, however to date no one has contacted me wishing to take part. For those with concerns over the speed of traffic in Welsh St Donats and who would like to take steps to reduce this, please let me know.

RE CYCLING COLLECTIONS: In various parts of the community, collections have been erratic. We have raised this with the Vale Council and will monitor collections over the next few weeks.

FINANCE: Payments were made to Allan Williams for cutting the grass in August and September (£636.00) and the Churchyard maintenance grant (£1,300.00) was paid to the Parish Council.

HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS: It was noted that extensive work is being done by the Vale Council clearing footpaths and repairing stiles, this is in response to a survey of footpaths around Welsh St Donats prepared by Councillor Glyn Jenkins. We have requested that the lettering on the sign to Prisk on the A4222 at Maendy Corner is repaired.

SUPERFAST BROADBAND: We await a response from OpenReach with a definitive list of households in Maendy and Prisk that will be able to connect to fibre.

M4 A48 LINK: Nick Craddock had attended the Review Group meeting on 2.10.18. The Chair of the group has requested that details of the meeting be kept confidential and that the following summary is what should be shared with those not present at the meeting:

"The Review Group met on the morning of 2nd October 2018. The meeting was attended by a wide range of representatives covering a variety of professional disciplines as suggested within the WelTAG guidance.

The results of the M4 Junction 34 to A48 consultation exercise were accepted by the Review Group as comprehensive and accurate, although the Head of Service agreed that the Cabinet report into the matter will respond in more detail, where appropriate to the themes raised.

It was agreed by the Review Group, that the WelTAG Stage 2 report and results of consultation will be presented to Cabinet before Christmas for their consideration. This Report will cover the main recommendations of the Review Group which will be available as part of the Cabinet report in due course.

*The Head of Service also committed to meeting the relevant community councils regularly to keep them updated on progress relating to the scheme and also to funding opportunities. The first date proposed for this meeting is **Thursday 8th November 2018**. Invites will be sent shortly.*

The composition of the Review Group was raised under any other business with a suggested addition of NRW. The Review Group mainly felt that the NRW skills were covered on the group already. The Woodland Trust was also suggested as a Review Group member but it was agreed that they were more of a lobby group and that as this was a technical Review Group and their presence on the Review Group at this stage would not be right.

The meeting lasted just over two hours and the recommendations and main outcomes from the meeting will be available as part of the future Cabinet report."

CONSULTATIONS: The WLGA survey of unadopted roads in Wales was discussed and a response would be submitted shortly.

Our next meetings are 30th October and 11th December. Agenda will be displayed on the notice boards and website at least three 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 in the agenda. The website has further information about the Community Council.

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