

WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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FINANCE: In January the precept is prepared and submitted for the following financial year and is discussed at length by Councillors at our meeting at the beginning of January.

A major part of the precept is taken up with administrative costs and maintenance responsibilities. Apart from rental of the hall (for between the ten and eleven meetings each year), insurance, audit fees and training, the Community Council is required by the Independent Remuneration Panel to make available an annual payment to each Community Councillor of £150.00 as a contribution towards costs and expenses (the Clerk is paid according to NALC salary scales and allowances and this is reviewed annually). The Community Council is also responsible for the maintenance of the pond, the land around it, and various other pockets of land in the Community Council area as well as three benches and six notice boards.

Provision has been made to continue to donate £1,300.00 next year to the Parish Church for maintenance of the Churchyard.

This year it was agreed to add a contingency allowance of £500.00.

To cover estimated expenditure for the financial year 2019-20 it was agreed to set the precept at £6,500.00. This means the cost of running the Community Council to a Council Tax payer in the Welsh St Donats area in 2019-20 will be £21.10 (Band D) per year. The cost is spread over the year. If you have any queries or comments please do not hesitate to contact me or any of your Community Councillors. We would welcome your input.

Payment was made to Allan Williams for treating with the preservative the knee rail around the pond (£60.00).

POLICE: PC Stuart Elson reported one crime in December in the area, the theft of an artificial Christmas Tree from a shed in Welsh St Donats.

HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS: Potholes are a hazard at this time of year and the Vale Council is informed of them promptly. Please let me know if you know of any or contact the Vale Council direct on contactonevale@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk.

Problems on footpaths 18 and 20 have been reported following a survey by Glyn Jenkins.

CONSULTATIONS: The Vale Council's Supplementary Planning Guidance was reviewed by Nick Craddock and the Vale's Annual Budget was discussed. The Welsh Government's document Improving Public Transport was discussed and noted.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: Application 18/01407/FUL for Plas Hen was discussed and comments submitted.

Our next meetings are on March 5th and April 2nd. 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. Please be a frequent visitor.

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