

WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS: Potholes in Heol y March have been reported and a progress report requested on when repair work is planned for the steep drop which has appeared on the side of Watery Lane and is currently simply marked off with warning cones. Commercial lorries parked in the picnic area at Hensol Forest were noted with some concern and National Resources Wales and the Vale Council have been alerted.

FINANCE: Payment was made to Allan Williams (£320) for grass cutting in April and for cutting back the brambles, hedges and bushes in the area about the pond (£192.00), to the external auditor for auditing the accounts 1-19, and Zurich Insurance (257.60). The Annual Return was completed and signed at our meeting on 7th May and the accounts were approved. These will be available for viewing shortly. Notice of planned Council meeting times will be on notice boards and website as required by Wales Audit.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: The Community Council were content with the following applications: 19/00387/FUL 6, Tair Onen, Welsh St. Donats, and 19/00418/FUL The Grange, Bonvilston.

They reiterated the same concerns as they had submitted previously about application 19/00385/FUL 16, Tair Onen, Welsh St. Donats, and decided to lodge an objection to 19/00299/FUL The Old Hilary Filling Station, Welsh St Donats. The following applications had been approved by the Vale Council: - 19/00323/FUL Morfa, Welsh St Donats, 19/00725/FUL Coetref, Welsh St Donats, 19/0206/FUL Ton y Pwll, Maendy and 19/00226/FUL Vale View, Welsh St Donats.

AGM: Ann Thomas was elected to the Chair and the outgoing Chair's Report for 18-19 is available on the website, notice boards and in the community update.

Emma Hall was elected as Vice-Chair.

Signatories to the bank account, financial regulations, the services of the Internal Auditor, the Clerk's salary and Councillor allowances were all reviewed.

Andrew Foyle continues to represent the Community Council at general meetings of One Voice Wales, Graham Duffield and Ann Thomas represent the Council on the Community Liaison Committee, Graham Duffield is on the Village Hall Committee, Emma Hall is on the PSECC Community Group.

The Financial and Administrative, Health and Safety, and Clerk's Work Place risk assessments were reviewed and the Registers of Assets was approved.

Standing Orders, the Code of Conduct, Independent Remuneration Panel determinations were all reviewed and changes noted. Further discussion of Standing Orders and the Concerns and Complaints Policy would be on the June agenda. It was recorded that no member of the Community Council uses social media in their role as Councillor.

Our next meeting is on June 4th. Agenda will be displayed on the notice boards and website at least three clear days before the meeting. The public 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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