

WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MORGAN:

Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales (Electoral Arrangements):

proposals include joining St Brides and St Georges, currently part of the Peterston-super-Ely Ward, to the St Nicholas Ward. Welsh St Donats Councillors have no objection to this proposal and consider it will be a benefit to residents Welsh St Donats. (If you wish to make representations to the Boundaries Commission contact details are on our website).

Council Tax: It is expected that this will be raised by 4.9% and hoped that £1.7 million will be allocated for improving highways in the Vale. We will make every effort to ensure Welsh St Donats benefits from this possible funding.

FROM SW POLICE: PCSO Sion Summers is to be replaced by PCSO Angela Stone in due course but was able to attend our meeting at the beginning of March. He reported that there had been no recorded crimes in the Welsh St Donats area since our last meeting in mid January. However a resident had been the victim of a scam email, this had been referred to Fraud and PCSO Summers advised people to be aware, particularly the elderly. If you receive any such emails, please let the Police know.

It was noted that there had been burglaries on two nights in stables in Peterston-super-Ely when a significant amount of valuable tack had been taken.

FLY-TIPPING: The Community Council continues to put pressure on the Vale Council to improve their approach towards fly-tipping, especially with the high cost of special collections and changes to recycling, which will inevitably increase incidences of fly-tipping.

FINANCE: Payments were made for Hall rental (£250.00), the External Audit in 18-19 (£346.75), the Clerk's annual salary (£2198.96) and expenses (£258.69), Councillors' annual costs and expenses (£150.00 per Councillor as recommended by the Independent Remuneration Panel). One Voice Wales annual subscription (£68.00) and Bryan Hicks (£40.00) for repair of the bench in Prisk.

OUTDOOR PROJECTS: The Youth Offenders team in the Vale were unable to help us with litter collections as there are no footways on our lanes, thus making collecting litter collection a health and safety issue. We would like to provide the Team with a project and wonder if anyone in the area has any suggestions. If so please email the Clerk.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: were considered for 20/00022/FUL Parc Newydd, Tair Onen, St. Hilary, 20/00178/FUL 3, Heol Y Mynydd, Welsh St Donats, 20/00147/FUL Cherry Orchard Farm Watery Lane, Welsh St Donats, 20/000069/FUL Loos House, Watery Lane, Welsh St Donats and 20/00223/FUL Glanffawydd, Heol y Mynydd, Welsh St Donats and comments submitted.

DOCUMENTS DISCUSSED: Councillors discussed, from the Welsh Government: Proposed Orders on Changes (minor) to Sustainable Drainage, Minimum Pricing for Alcohol. From the Vale of Glamorgan Council: a call for candidate traveler sites. From the Auditor General:

future Audit Arrangements for Community Councils in Wales. A review of the electoral arrangements from the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales and a Draft Supplementary Report from the Independent Remuneration Panel. Comments were submitted.

Our next meetings are on March 31st and May 5th (AGM). Agenda will be displayed on the notice board and website at least three clear days before the meeting. Members of 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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