WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDDWUDD

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Please note that following advice from One Voice Wales concerning public attendance at remote meetings, it was agreed to continue with current practice and request residents write in or email issues they would like raised at meetings. If you have any issues you would like raised at our next remote meetings, on $4^{\rm th}$ May, please inform the Clerk. The agenda will be posted on the website and notice board in the bus shelter at Welsh St Donats at least three days before meetings.

M4/A48 LINK: As you have probably read, this proposal has been abandoned for the time being as the Welsh Government will not be offering funds to finance it. We shall be monitoring whether any plans to revisit this proposal under a future government emerge.

FROM THE POLICE: PCSO Richard Davies submitted a crime report, in which the only item for the Welsh St Donats community area was a reported covid breach where no breach was identified.

HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS: the Community Council continues to pursue problems with signage, public safety and the restoration of footpaths in the area of forest at Heol y March following recent tree felling operations. A response from Natural Resources Wales was considered inadequate and the Community Council has taken this up with the Welsh Government. Responses are awaited.

We are currently preparing a report into footpaths and stiles in other parts of the community area that are in need of attention and urge those using the footpaths to use caution as some of the stiles are in a hazardous condition. Please report any you come across to the Clerk or the Vale Council.

PYSGODLYN MAWR, HENSOL FOREST: following receipt of an NRW SSSI Condition Assessment Report (2014), the Community Council has requested a site meeting to discuss the progress of recommendations made in the report.

We have been asked by the diversity officer of Natural Resources Wales if any members of the community have any photos of Psygodlyn Mawr lake. The older the photo the better, but of particular interest will be those of the weir prior to 1976, when the structure controlling flow at the outfall went in. Please get in touch with the Clerk if you have any you would be willing to share.

FINANCES: Payments were approved for OVW Councillor training fees (£30.00) and grass cutting in March (£328.80).

REPRESENTATIVES: A site meeting was held with Vale Officers from Public Rights of Way to review the condition of the footpaths in Hensol Forest following tree felling operations. We were assured the condition of the paths would be improved.

DOCUMENTS: Councillors reviewed documents from the Welsh Government: a litter and fly-tipping prevention plan for Wales, a policy announcement on compulsory purchase, Local Authority power to trade and the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act. Documents from the Vale of Glamorgan Council: a Statement of Licensing Policy and the Good Councillors Guide to Cyber Security were noted.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: were considered for 21/00387/FUL Vale View, Welsh St. Donats,21/00167/FUL 4, Heol Y Mynydd, Welsh St Donats, 21/00304/FUL 8, Tair Onen, St. Hilary, 21/01504/FUL Hensol Cottage, WSD, 21/00318/FUL Maerdy Newydd Farm Bonvilston and 20/01454/FUL Greenland Farm, A48, Bonvilston

If you have any concerns or queries you feel the Community Council may be able to assist you with, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Clerk or Community Councillors. We will do our very best to help you. Contact details are on the website.

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