

**WELSH ST DONATS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
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**September 2022**

At our meeting in August, the Chair welcomed three new Councillors, Kay Davies from Maendy and Philip Popp and Nigel England from Welsh St Donats.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** Three members of the public were present raising concerns over planning application 22/00305/FUL South of Ty Mynydd Farm and environmental issues (solar panels on prime farmland and finding suitable tracts of land for tree planting).

**REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MORGAN:** Michael Morgan confirmed determination of planning application 21/01379/FUL The Quarries, Bonvilston was delayed due to the late arrival of reports from consultees. Michael has agreed to speak on behalf of objectors of at the Planning Committee meeting (no date yet) if he deems it to be a matter of public interest. Cheryl McNamee-Brittain will consult with residents to secure a representative resident voice at the meeting. Continued blasting is still being reported.

He noted the concerns raised by residents in the Public Forum over planning application 22/00305/FUL. Councillors asked Michael Morgan to press for a 20mph speed limit in Welsh St Donats at a Vale Council road safety meeting in September. This follows recent Welsh Government legislation to authorize limits of 20mph speed limits on restricted roads.

Michael is very keen to hear the personal experiences of those using our lanes so he can use these to highlight the need for a road safety policy in the Vale. Please contact him on [mjmorgan@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk](mailto:mjmorgan@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk) before September 12th.

**HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS:**

A site meeting with Natural Resources Wales has been requested to discuss signage for Tair Onen to help visitors locate the different parts of the community.

Footpaths 18 and 20 (around Llwynddu on Catreglas Lane) have been cleared by Vale Council PROW and are open to walkers.

**FINANCES:** Payments for grass cutting in June and July (£210) and training sessions for Councillors (£35) were approved.

We have been asked by the Church to review ceasing payment of the churchyard maintenance grant in the light of a recent question posed to the Ministry of Justice. The Community Council are taking further advice from One Voice Wales and the internal auditor.

**SW POLICE:** since our last meeting on 31.5.22, there were no reported crimes in May and an incident of online fraud in Welsh St Donats (no suspects identified) in June.

**DOCUMENTS:** Councillors considered consultations from the Vale Council: School and Transport Policy (to 12.8.22). From the Welsh Government: A Fairer Council Tax (to 4.10.22) and Shaping Wales' Future (to 12.9.22). You will find links to all these on the website under 'Have your say'. Your County Councillor urges everyone to take part in these consultations as responses are taken into account when policies are developed.

**PLANNING:** Planning applications for 22/00305/FUL South of Ty Mynydd Farm, 22/00679/FUL Llwynddu House, Ystradowen and 22/00808/FUL Pantwilkin Farm House, Llanquian Road, Aberthin were considered and comments submitted.

The Vale Council approved application 22/00313/FUL Cwrt Newydd, Welsh.

Our next meetings are 6<sup>th</sup> September and 4<sup>th</sup> October. 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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