

Minutes of a general meeting of the St Athan Community Council, held on Tuesday 7th June 2016, in the Old School Hall Community Centre, Church Lane, St Athan, at 7-30pm

PRESENT.

Councillor Ms A Barnaby	(Chairman).
Councillor B Acott	Councillor D Crompton
Councillor D Elston	Councillor Mrs J Lougher
Councillor Mrs G Phillips	Councillor D Street
Councillor D Willmot	Councillor Mrs S Williams
County Councillor J W Thomas	

APOLOGIES.

Councillor R Eustace	Councillor S Haines
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1217. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

NIL.
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1218. MINUTES.

1. Cllr D Crompton PROPOSED : that the minutes of the general meeting held on Tuesday 3rd May 2016 be accepted as a true record of the proceedings
SECONDED : Cllr B Acott CARRIED.

2. Cllr D Elston PROPOSED : that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd May 2016 be accepted as a true record of the proceedings.
SECONDED : Cllr D Willmot CARRIED.

1219. MATTERS ARISING.

Page 1 County Cllr J W Thomas omitted from members present, file copy of minutes amended.

1220. STANDING ORDERS.

Cllr D Crompton PROPOSED : that STANDING ORDERS be suspended to permit the Community Police Officer to address the meeting, also the VGC Senior Regeneration Officer,
SECONDED : Cllr Mrs J Lougher CARRIED.

PCSO Lynda Fraser gave a brief report on the crime figures for April and May, April into May : 15 recorded crimes 1 burglary, 3 violent crimes, 5 criminal damage, 6 miscellaneous including minor public order offences/sending nasty messages. May into June : 13 recorded crimes 1 burglary, 4 violent crimes (all of which were DV related) 1 arson (derelict building Boys Village) 7 miscellaneous (including minor theft/harassment etc). No real patterns to cause concern, several of the assaults, miscellaneous offences and damages have taken place at the same two addresses. The Chairman thanked Lynda for attending the meeting.

The Chairman gave permission for Mr Howell Dark the secretary of the St Athan football club to address the council. Mr Dark was seeking support from the community council to an application to the Vale council he was submitting to upgrade the facilities at the Glyndwr Avenue sports field. The work to be carried out would be on a self help basis, and funded by the football club. The improvements are required if the club advances into higher leagues and would include two “Dugouts” Changing facilities for visiting clubs and referees. It was Agreed that the council would support Mr Dark with his project.

Hannah Dineen, Senior Regeneration Officer, Creative Rural Communities gave a presentation on the “St Athan Community Mapping” project that she has been involved with for some considerable time now, the process is to explore the assets in the area and identify opportunities for new future initiatives, to this end she has interviewed numerous residents and visited all the current activities that are already in place. Hannah has collated all the information she has gathered and presented it in her presentation. The Chairman thanked Hannah for her interesting presentation. The full content of the presentation can be viewed on the St Athan Community Council Website : www.stathancommunitycouncil.org.uk

STANDING ORDERS REINSTATED.

1221. CORRESPONDENCE.

1. Letter from WYG Environment Planning Transport LTD, regarding the Proposed Northern Access Road. Copy e-mailed to all members. NOTED.
2. Letter from “Centenary Fields Programme” regarding sites to commemorate 100 year anniversary of the “Battle of the Somme”. NOTED.
3. Letter from TARMAC (Cement works) regarding Community Liaison Committee meeting to be held on Monday 27th June. Representatives informed.
4. E-mail from VGC Rural Enabling Officer regarding the St John View Development, Local Letting and Sales Policy, asking if the “Local Sales and Letting Policy” agreed for the Old Station Yard Development could be adopted for the St Johns View Development. It was Agreed unanimously that this policy could be adopted.

1222. CHAIRMAN’S ACTIONS.

Nil.

1223. INVOICES.

Clerks Wages		313 – 80
Inland Revenue	(PAYE)	79 – 20
Caretakers Wages		355 – 50
B.T	(Internet Services)	74 – 18
Mrs F J Butters	(Flower Baskets)	324 – 00

PROPOSED : Cllr B Acott
SECONDED ; Cllr D Street

CARRIED.

1224. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

1. Planning Application No 2016/00489/FUL – Unit 2, Sea View, St Athan, - Variation of condition 1 relating to description of windows and doors.

Cllr Mrs J Lougher PROPOSED : No Objections

SECONDED : Cllr Mrs G Phillips

CARRIED.

1225. REPORTS.

NIL.

1226. AUDIT DOCUMENT.

1. The audit document for the financial year ending 31 March 2016, was presented, the audit will be conducted on the 4th July 2016.

2. Part 1 of the document “Statement of Account” : The Statement of Account for the year ending 31 March 2016, was presented at the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday the 5th May 2016, and Passed subject to audit.

3. Part 2 of the document Annual Governance Statement (part 1) sections 1 to 8, each of the statements were presented to Members present, and each section was Agreed with an affirmative “Yes”. (part 2) sections 1 to 3 were presented and Agreed with a affirmative “Yes”

Cllr D Crompton PROPOSED : Confirm Chairman’s Signature regarding parts 1 & 2 of the document.

SECONDED : Cllr D Willmot

CARRIED.

4. Part 3 of the document : “Audit Use Only”.

5. Part 4 of the document : “Annual Internal Audit Report”.

The annual Internal Audit was carried out on the 17th May 2016 by Mrs D Robinson (Minute 1214 May 2016 meeting refers) no observations were made

1227. FOOD BANKS.

Cllr D Elston asked for this item to be placed on the Agenda, and asked members if they thought that a representative for the Food Bank being held in The Gathering Place would be useful, he would be willing to be a representative and would report back to the council on the progress/development of the foodbank on a regular basis. A brief discussion ensued and it was Agreed that Cllr Elston represent the council for the purpose of feedback.

1228. VACANCY – CO-OPTION.

Letter from Mr LP Haines 4 Warlow Close, St Athan, requesting co-option onto St Athan Community Council was presented. The Clerk was instructed to arrange an interview with Mr Haines for Tuesday 5th July at 7-15pm.

1229 .FINANCIAL APPEALS.

1. Letter from “Shelter” Cymru, requesting financial assistance, merits of the appeal were discussed.

Cllr D Street PROPOSED : No Action.

SECONDED : Cllr D Willmot

CARRIED.

1230. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

1. Cllr Mrs J Lougher asked County Cllr J W Thomas if he could get something done regarding the “Ditches” on the Bats Ley – Sea View road as they are collapsing and dangerous. Cllr Thomas said he would report the matter to the relevant authority.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8-50pm, there were two members of the public present