

Minutes of a general meeting of the St Athan Community Council, held on Tuesday 6th September 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 R Eustace
Councillor L Haines	Councillor S Haines
Councillor Mrs J Lougher	Councillor D Willmot
Councillor Mrs S Williams	

APOLOGIES.

Councillor Mrs G Phillips	Councillor D Street
County Councillor J W Thomas	

1243. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

NIL.

1244. MINUTES.

1. Cllr R Eustace PROPOSED : that the minutes of the general meeting held on Tuesday 5th July 2016 be accepted as a true record of the proceedings
SECONDED : Cllr B Acott CARRIED.

1245. MATTERS ARISING.

NIL.

1246. STANDING ORDERS.

Cllr S Haines PROPOSED : that STANDING ORDERS be suspended to permit the Community Police Officer to address the meeting, also Mr Neil Woollard – presentation on “Tidal Lagoon Power”.
SECONDED : Cllr R Eustace CARRIED.

PC Jamie Williamson gave a brief report on the crime figures for July and August. There were 10 crimes reported in July 1 burglary, 2 criminal damage, 4 assaults (domestic), 3 miscellaneous. There were 11 crimes reported in August 6 criminal damage, 3 assaults (domestic) 1 pay avoidance at garage, 1 miscellaneous, a number of local incidents were discussed. PC Williamson informed members that the spate of agricultural thefts that have been taking place in the Vale of Glamorgan during the summer has been resolved and the

thieves have been prosecuted. The Chairman thanked PC Williamson for attending the meeting.

Mr Neil Woollard the Development Manager for “Tidal Lagoon Power” gave a presentation on the advantages of lagoon power, with a detailed progress report on the Swansea Bay project, which is now well advanced in the approval process, he also highlighted progress on the proposed Cardiff – Newport lagoon power project. The presentation was well presented and gained the interest of all present. For anyone interested in this topic and projects the “Tital Lagoon Power” website is at www.tidallagooncardiff.com. The Chairman thanked Mr Woollard for attending the meeting and giving a very interesting presentation.

STANDING ORDERS REINSTATED.

1247. CORRESPONDENCE.

1. Information from Zurich Municipal Insurance advising of increases in insurance premium tax from 9.5% to 10% wef 1st October 2016. NOTED.
2. Glamorgan Heritage Coast – Summer 2016 Newsletter. NOTED.
3. Letter from Rt Hon Alun Cairns regarding a meeting he was organising to discuss the broadband speeds in the Vale of Glamorgan, inviting representatives to attend. Cllr R Eustace, Cllr D Elston, Cllr Ms A Barnaby asked that their names be put forward.

1248. CHAIRMAN’S ACTIONS.

NIL.

1249. INVOICES.

July

Clerks Wages		309 – 20
Inland Revenue	(PAYE)	79 – 40
Caretakers Wages		355 – 50
B.T	(Internet & Telephone)	148 – 51

August

Clerks Wages		309 – 20
Inland Revenue	(PAYE)	79 – 40
Caretakers Wages		355 – 50
Griffiths Carpentry	(Roof Repairs)	60 – 00

Office Furniture	(Notice Board)	289 – 20
Cloudy 2 Clear	(Centre Windows)	1536 – 00
B.T	(Internet & Telephone)	35 – 22

PROPOSED : Cllr R Eustace
 SECONDED ; Cllr S Haines

CARRIED.

1250. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

1. Planning Application No 2016/00523/FUL Seaview Cottage, St Athan, - Erection of Greenhouse.

This application was dealt with through Chairman’s Actions during the Summer Recess. NO Objections.

2. Planning Application No 2016/00890/FUL - Super Hangar, Aerospace Business Park, St Athan. – Phase 1 of Building operation comprising the conversion and alterations to the northern part of building.

This application was dealt with through Chairman’s Actions during the Summer Recess. NO Objections.

3. Planning Application No 2016/00986FUL - Hunters Lodge, 8 Newbarn Holdings, St Athan, - New Stables and Menage.

Cllr D Crompton PROPOSED : No Objections

SECONDED : Cllr R Eustace

CARRIED.

1251. REPORTS.

1. Cllr B Acott gave a brief report regarding the “Eglwys Brewis Church, he and Cllr D Willmot along with Jane Hutt AM, and a group of interested people, visited the 13th century church, which is a Grade 2 listed building, owned by the MOD to ascertain the future of the building and get access to it for the public.

2. Cllr D Crompton gave a brief report regarding the Library Trustees

1252. ONE VOICE WALES CONFERENCE.

The One Voice Wales Conference will be held at the Royal Welsh Showground, Llanelwedd, Builth Wells, on Saturday 1st October 2016. Attendance Fees £80 per delegate. St Athan Community Council will not be sending a representative.

1253. AUDIT REPORT.

The audit report for the financial year 2015/16 was presented by the Chairman and two minor observations which did not affect the audit opinion, were discussed, accepted, and will be implemented. The “Notice of Conclusion of Audit” has been posted on the councils notice boards.

1254. CHRISTMAS FESTIVE LIGHTING.

It was Agreed that the “Switching On” of the Christmas Festive Lights would be on Sunday 27th November 2016. It was also agreed that up to three refurbished “Motives” be purchased cost not exceeding £1000-00. A sub-committee consisting of Cllr S Haines, Cllr Mrs J Lougher and Cllr D Elston to select the purchases.

1255. SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY.

It was Agreed that a Senior Citizens Christmas Party be held on Friday 9th December 2016, and the sum of £2000-00 be allocated as agreed in the 2016/17 finance budget.

1256. FINANCIAL APPEALS.

NIL.

1257. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

1. Cllr D Elston informed members of the progress of the St Athan “SAINTS” charity of which he is a trustee, the aims of the charity is to improve the areas of play in St Athan and has so far raised £3,500, including a donation from “Newydd’s” (Old Station Yard Development) of £2000 and the proceeds of the very successful “Fun Day”.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9-05pm, there were no members of the public present