

Minutes of a general meeting of the St Athan Community Council, held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018, in the Old School Hall Community Centre, Church Lane, St Athan, at 7-30pm

**PRESENT.**

Councillor B Acott (Chairman)	
Councillor Miss A Barnaby	Councillor D Crompton
Councillor J Cullinane	Councillor R Eustace
Councillor S Haines	Councillor Mrs J Lynch-Wilson
Councillor Mrs G Phillips	Councillor D Willmot
Councillor Mrs S Williams	
County Councillor J W Thomas	

**APOLOGIES.**

Councillor Mrs J Lougher	Councillor Mrs K Smith
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**1559. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.**

NIL.

**1560. MINUTES.**

1. Cllr R Eustace PROPOSED : that the minutes of the general meeting held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018 be accepted as a true record of the proceedings  
SECONDED : Cllr D Crompton CARRIED.

**1561. MATTERS ARISING.**

NIL.

**1562. STANDING ORDERS.**

Cllr S Haines PROPOSED : that STANDING ORDERS be suspended to permit the Community Police Officer to address the meeting,  
SECONDED : Cllr R Eustace CARRIED.

PC Stuart Elson presented his report on the crime figures for the month of July & August his report is attached to these minutes as ANNEX A Each of the crimes listed were explained and discussed, A number of other events were discussed especially youth annoyance. The Chairman thanked PC Elson for attending the meeting.

**STANDING ORDERS REINSTATED.**

**1563. CORRESPONDENCE.**

1. Letter of thanks from Age Cymru for the £250 donation. NOTED.
2. Letter of thanks from the W.I for the flower donation. NOTED.
3. Copy of the Agreement for the purchase of Gileston Telephone Kiosk Item to be added to insurance policy and fixed asset register..
4. Letter from the St Athan Restoration Committees for the pledge of £1000 if the work is carried out. Legal advise being sought on this matter.
5. Letter from the Electoral Officer, regarding Community Reviews. NOTED.

**1564. CHAIRMAN'S ACTIONS.**

NIL.

**1565. INVOICES.**

**July**

Clerks Wages		329 – 97
Inland Revenue	( PAYE )	85 – 00
Caretakers Wages		376 – 76
BT	( Telephone/ Internet )Jun/Jul	93 – 28
SWALEC	( Feeder Pillar )	22 – 18
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**AUGUST**

Clerks Wages		330 – 17
Inland Revenue	( PAYE )	84 – 80
Caretakers Wages		376 – 76
BT	( Telephone/ Internet )Jul/Aug	54 - 54
One Voice Wales	( Conference Fees )	85 – 00
One Voice Wales	( Training Fees )	40 – 00
BT	( Telephone/internet ) Aug/Sept	54 – 09
SWALEC	( Centre Bill )	50 – 02

PROPOSED : Cllr S Haines  
SECONDED ; Cllr R Eustace

CARRIED

## **1566. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

1. Planning Application No 2018/00810/FUL \_ Four Bells Inn, Rock Road, St Athan, - Extensions and alterations to existing building, change of use from managers accommodation to guest rooms on the first floor  
Cllr S Haines PROPOSED : : No Objections

SECONDED : Cllr D Willmot

CARRIED.

2. Planning Application No 2015/01152/OUT – Land at Higher End St Athan, - Erection of Eight detached dwellings, New Access and associate works ( including demolition of existing garage.).

Cllr D Willmot PROPOSED : \_Council objects to this application on the following grounds: \_Further to this councils objection dated October 2016 we still wish to object to this proposal on the grounds that nothing has intrinsically changed. There is a provision within the supporting documents for a potential further access to MG2(2) to the North which could mean potentially an additional 100 properties using this route as a means of access, onto a narrow unsuitable road.

The traffic survey taken in early 2016 makes no allowances for the increased traffic in the area since the building of Tathana's Court ( Phase 1 of MG2(2) or the future additional traffic which will be generated by the civilianisation of MOD St Athan and the Aerospace Business Park which will necessitate any traffic accessing the SAR, Police helicopter and Hangers D1 and D2 to use this road. As the road was considered unsuitable by The Highways Authority when candidate sites were being assessed for the LDP we can not see how the revised visual splay makes any difference to the original objection."

SECONDED : S Haines

CARRIED.

3. Planning Application No 2018/00954/FUL – Ivy Cottage, Gileston, - Two story side extension to form an additional bedroom at first floor level, plus an enlarged kitchen and breakfast room area at ground floor.

Cllr Mrs S Williams PROPOSED : No Objections

SECONDED : Cllr S Haines

CARRIED

4. Planning Application No 2018/ 00684/FUL – 18 Ash Lane, St Athan, - Ground floor rear extension, car port to side with new highways access to enable disabled access and internal shower and toilet facilities.

Cllr J Cullinane PROPOSED : No Objections.

SECONDED : Cllr R Eustace

CARRIED.

## **1567. REPORTS.**

1. Cllr Ms A Barnaby gave a report on the Vale Community Liaison Committee which she recently attended. Her report is at Annex B to these minutes
2. Cllr J Cullinane gave a brief report on a One Voice Wales AGM, as well as training course "Chairmanship Skills" which he recently attended.

**1568. QUARTALLY BUDGET REVIEW.**

A statement of account from 1 April to 31 July 2018 along with a copy of the budget figures for F/Y 2018/19 were presented and a review of budget spending was reviewed

Cllr D Crompton PROPOSED :: that the budget review and statement of account were on course for this period of the financial year.

SECONDED : Cllr S Haines

CARRIED.

**1569. ELECTION TO OUTSIDE COMMITTEES.**

A Member of St Athan community council was requested to serve on the Vale Public Footpaths Forum. Cllr B Acott volunteered his services.

Cllr D Willmot PROPOSED : that Councillor B Acott be nominated

SECONDED : Cllr S Haines

No other nominations were received, Cllr B Acott was elected.

**1570. FESTIVE LIGHTING.**

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September was set to check over the festive lighting equipment, and assess what new equipment was required.

**1571. FINANCIAL APPEALS.**

1. Letter from St Athan Christmas Lights Association, requesting financial support for the Xmas Lights Switching On event.. Some concern was expressed regarding the Associations accounting methods. It was decided to invite Mr Alan Bourne to the October meeting to explain his procedures.

**1572. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

1. Cllr R Eustace informed members that there were new regulations regarding the maintenance of “Cess pits”.
2. Actions for County Cllr J Thomas :
  - a) Cllr Mrs G Phillips - brambles hanging over the wall at Owain Court obstructing the footpath.
  - b) Cllr S Haines – street lighting on rectory drive, and the cost of renting allotments going up.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9 pm, there was one member of the public present.

**ANNEX A.**

**ST ATHAN CRIME OCCURRENCES JULY & AUGUST 2018**

<b><u>OCCURRENCE TYPE</u></b>	<b><u>2018</u></b>	<b>AUGUST</b>
VIOLENCE WITHOUT INJURY	<b>11</b>	<b><u>9</u></b>
VIOLENCE WITH INJURY		
SEXUAL OFFENCES	<b><u>3</u></b>	
RAPE		
RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b>1</b>
BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY BURGLARY		
VEHICLE OFFENCES		
BICYCLE THEFT		
SHOPLIFTING		
ALL OTHER THEFT OFFENCES		<b>3</b>
ARSON		
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	<b><u>3</u></b>	<b>5</b>
PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES		
MISCELLANEOUS CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

DRUG OFFENCES		
PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES		
ROADS/TRAFFIC		
ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>26</b>

## ANNEX B

### **Report on Liaison Committee Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018**

The main agenda items were as follows:-

- 1) **Police Matters** - Chief Inspector Anthony Williams attended. We were presented with a overview on Police initiatives and crime in the Vale. A number of councils commented on lack of Police representation at council meetings, and a reduced community police service.
- 2) Re-shaping Services. Hugh Isaacs gave a short presentation with an update. Currently local services are not badly affected i.e. rubbish collection, grass cutting. Other initiatives' included:
  - Digital Vale
  - TCC (Town & Community Council) charter workshop with be in September

As usual the floor mentioned 'double charging' taxation via precept.

- 3) Re-shaping services – A sustainable approach to the provision on single user outdoor sports facilities (cabinet 2<sup>nd</sup> July) This relates to facilities which are used mainly by only one Club i.e. outdoor bowls. The Council are looking at withdrawing the maintenance of these sites (for which a nominal charge is made) and handing over the responsibility to the Clubs themselves. Included in the list supplied was 'St Athan Playing Field' – St Athan AFC. While understanding the reasons for the proposal, I raised a concern that if the Club's were wholly responsible for the maintenance of the grounds, they may wish to fence them off and make them unavailable to members of the public – this concern was also taken up by other members of the meeting.
- 4) Llantwit Major Town Council asked for consideration to:
  - a) Bus Shelters – in particular requirement for no smoking signs, and cleaning. It was mentioned that shelters are allocated gold/silver/bronze standards which dictates the amount of visits they receive. Perhaps local Councils could 'adopt a shelter'?
  - b) Localised flooding on rural roads was also discussed.

Cllr Ann Barnaby