

The Minutes of a general meeting of the St Athan Community Council, held on Tuesday 5th March 2019, in the Old School Hall Community Centre, Church Lane, St Athan, at 7-30pm

PRESENT.

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

APOLOGIES.

Councillor D Crompton	Councillor K Smith
Councillor Mrs J Lougher	Councillor Mrs S Williams

1637. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

NIL

1638. MINUTES.

1. Cllr D Willmot PROPOSED : that the minutes of the general meeting held on Tuesday 5th February 2019 be accepted as a true record of the proceedings
SECONDED : Cllr S Haines CARRIED.

1639. MATTERS ARISING.

NIL.

1640. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Vale of Glamorgan Council minutes of a meeting held 12 December 2018.
NOTED.

1641 CHAIRMAN'S ACTIONS.

Prior to the meeting interviews took place to fill the Casual Vacancy by Co-option, and Mr David Patterson, Rock Lodge, Rock Road, St Athan was Co-opted onto the Council.

The Chairman has asked that a Representative of the MOD St Athan, attend the April meeting to give an update on the situation at MOD St Athan

The Chairman gave a talk to the St Athan Scout Pack on the workings of local government, which was very well received.

1642. INVOICES.

Clerks Wages		329 – 97
Inland Revenue	(PAYE)	84 – 80
Caretakers Wages		376 – 76
BT	(Telephone/ Internet (60 – 50
One Voice Wales	(Training Fees)	60 – 00
Viking	(Stationary & Printer)	89 – 74
Wales Audit Office	(Audit Fees)	246 – 50
Clerk's Expenses		22 - 69

: PROPOSED : Cllr S Haines
SECONDED : Cllr Mrs J Lynch-Wilson CARRIED.

1643. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

1. Planning Application No 2019/00079/FUL- 1Berkrolles Avenue, St Athan, -Removal of existing Porch and construction of new porch

Cllr R Eustace PROPOSED : No Objections
SECONDED : Cllr D Willmot CARRIED.

2. Planning Application No 2019/00192 /FUL – Gileston Cottage, Gileston, - Replace existing flat roof to rear with a pitched roof with natural slate to match existing cottage.

Cllr D Willmot PROPOSED : NO Objections
SECONDED : Cllr R Eustace CARRIED

1644. REPORTS.

NIL.

1645. FLOWER BASKETS.

Quotes for replenishing the Flower Baskets for the 2019 season were presented
Cllr Ms A Barnaby PROPOSED : that the quote from Mrs F J Butters in the sum of £540 (18 baskets x £30) (including 6 for Gileston) be accepted. Monies allocated in 2019/20 budget

SECONDED : Cllr S Haines CARRIED.

A further quote from Livingstone Ground Maintenance to water/feed and maintain the flower baskets during the season in the sum of £337-50 (including 6 for Gileston) was presented.

Cllr D Willmot PROPOSED : that the quote be accepted. Monies allocated in 2019/20 budget
SECONDED : Cllr J Cullinane CARRIED.

1646. GRASS CUTTING.

Quotes for cutting the grass in St Athan, Flemingston and Gileston areas were presented.

Cllr S Haines PROPOSED : that the quote from Livingstone Ground Maintenance in the sum of £1834 be accepted. Monies allocated in 2019/20 budget.
SECONDED Cllr R Eustace CARRIED.

1647. WELSH COMMUNITY SOLAR POWER

Correspondence has been received from “Egni Co-op” to install over 1MW of solar panels on community buildings, if interested to register for the scheme before 1st March. It was decided that the council should register to gain more information on the project, and that Cllr S Haines be nominated to oversee the scheme and report back.

1648. INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION FOR WALES – ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report of the Independent remuneration panel was presented to members and a lengthy debate ensued, sections of the recommendations proved to be controversial and it was decided that all members should peruse in depth the chapter on “Payments to Town & Community Councils (13) pages 40 to 48, and that the matter be decided on at the April meeting.

1650. FINANCIAL APPEALS.

1 Letter from Wales Air Ambulance requesting financial assistance, the request was considered on merit

Cllr Ms A Barnaby PROPOSED: that £50 be donated
SECONDED : Cllr J Cullinane CARRIED.

2 Request from “Noah’s Ark” for financial assistance, the request was considered on merit

Cllr R Eustace PROPOSED : that £25 be donated.
SECONDED : Cllr J Cullinane CARRIED.

3 Letter from Llangollen 2019 Musical Eisteddfod asking for a donation, the request was considered on merit

Cllr S Haines PROPOSED : No Action
SECONDED : Cllr Ms A Barnaby CARRIED.

4 Letter from the SAMARITANS requesting financial assistance, the request was discussed and considered on merit

Cllr D Willmot PROPOSED : that £50 be donated.
SECONDED : Cllr Mrs Lynch-Wilson CARRIED.

1651. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

1. Cllr R Eustace complained to County Councillor J Thomas about litter in general but especially in the Lanes, Cllr Thomas said it was an ongoing problem through out the Vale.
2. Cllr B Acott told members that the Heritage Coast were promoting Local Visits, and that he would be attending an Advisory meeting on the 14th March.
3. Cllr Acott told County Councillor J Thomas that Cowbridge Road was in a very poor condition and required resurfacing. Cllr Thomas said he would report the matter to the appropriate authority. He also asked Cllr Thomas if he could advise him as to the cost of the Local School Bus service.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8-45pm, there were no member of the public present.