

MINUTES OF THE ST ATHAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL REMOTE GENERAL MEETING HELD TUESDAY 5th JANUARY 2021

PRESENT	Councillor J Lynch-Wilson	Chairman
	Councillor K Smith	Vice-Chairman
	Councillor B Acott	
	Councillor J Angove	
	Councillor A Barnaby	
	Councillor D Crompton	
	Councillor R Eustace	
	Councillor S Haines	
	Councillor D Willmot	
	Councillor S Williams	
	County Councillor J Thomas	
APOLOGIES	Councillor H Ibsule	
	Councillor J Lougher	

MINUTE	ITEM	ACTION
1936.	DECLARATION OF INTEREST	
	Library – Cllrs Eustace, Crompton & Willmot	
1937.	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES	
	PROPOSED By: Cllr R Eustace SECONDED By: Cllr J Angove	
	That the minutes of the General Meeting held on the lst December 2020 be accepted as a true record of proceedings.	CARRIED
	PROPOSED By: Cllr S Haines SECONDED By: Cllr R Eustace	
	That the minutes of the Finance Meeting held on the 17 th November be accepted as a true record of proceedings.	CARRIED
1938.	MATTERS ARISING	
	a. MIN 1863 - LIBRARY County Cllr J Thomas agreed to make investigations into the process and procedures relating to the possible purchase of the library.	ON GOING
	b. MIN 1864 - SIGNPOST Cllr S Haines withdrew his suggestion to install suitable signposts (library & Council Office) at this time and to revisit this item at a later date.	CLOSED

1938	c. MIN 1882 - ALLOTMENT	
Cont	Mr Nick Vaughan, Director at Annington Property Ltd, agreed to enquire with the MoD, if the land adjacent to Clive Road was still required by the MoD and report back to the council in the new year. d. MIN 1882 Light Aircraft Forced Landing	ONGOING
	The Civil Aviation Authority have again been requested to respond to the following concerns raised by this council:	
	 Forced landing of light aircraft Piper PA-28 on 28th August 2020 at the St Athan golf course. 	
	Recent spate of light aircraft flying low over St Athan Ward.	ON GOING
	e. MIN 1910 WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY Cllr A Barnaby to brief Members at the next meeting on action required to improve accessibility to the council website, on the part of disabled residents.	ON GOING
	f. MIN 1911 SECTION 106 REPORT The issue over 106 funding in respect of St Athan Ward is being looked at by the relevant officer at the Vale of Glamorgan Council.	ON GOING
	g. MIN 1923 COUNCIL BUILDING INSURANCE The level of council building insurance cover has increase from £587K to £900K annually. An additional premium payment of £208.64 has been made to Zurich Town and Parish Insurance Company.	CLOSED
	h. MIN 1924 CHANGES TO ROAD JUNCTION GILESTON ROAD / B4265 This council has written to the Vale Council planning department for clarity over changes to the road layout at the junction Gileston Road/B4265.	CLOSED
	i. MIN 1926 COUNCIL TAX Council clerk confirmed the council building does not belong to the Vale of Glamorgan Council and there is not entitlement for an end of year Tax refund.	CLOSED
1939.	FINANCIAL STATEMENT	
	The Chairman presented a Financial Statement of Accounts as at the 31st December 2020.	
	PROPOSED By: Cllr S Haines SECONDED By: Cllr R Eustace	

1939	That the presented statement be accepted as a true record of	
Cont	council financial accounts.	CARRIED
	Copy of Financial Statement at Annex A	
1940.	CORRESPONDENCE	
	a. AUDITOR GENERAL for WALES AUDIT CERTIFICATE AND REPORT - FY 2019-20	
	Concerns raised	
	 Notice of Appointment of Date for the Exercise of Electors Rights The notice was advertised for 11 days before the start of the inspection period and not 14 consecutive days before the start of the inspection period. 	
	• Statement of Accounts The figures entered in Box 6 on the Accounting Statements - Other payments is overstated by £9,462 for 2018/19. The correct figure should be £28,192.	
	• Statement of Accounts The figures entered in Box 6 on the Accounting Statements - Other payments is overstated by £9,862 for 2019/20. The correct figure should be £33,627.	
	 Re-approval Section The Chair has wrongly completed the re-approval box on the Annual Governance Statement (part 2) on the Annual Return. 	
	Copy of the Notice of Conclusion of Audit has been uploaded to the council website and placed on the council noticeboard.	NOTED
	b. AUDITOR GENERAL - AUDIT CYCLE 2020-21 ONWARDS	
	The Auditor General will introduce a new three-year programme for the audit of community and town councils. St Athan Council accounts will be audited as follows:	
	2020-21 Basic 2021-22 Basic 2022-23 Full	

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1940 Cont	BASIC AUDIT - means the limited procedures, requiring limited supporting information. FULL AUDIT - refers to the new audit procedure that involves detailed testing of transactions, requiring submission of Full working papers.	
	Documentation required for both Basic & Full audit:	
	 Annual Return including accounting statement Annual General Statement Internal Audit report 	NOTED
	c. THE KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESS, LLANTWIT MAJOR CONGREGATION They are participating in a campaign to deliver a special issue of the watchtower (hold up copy) to all Government	NOTED
	officials. d. Thank you letter received from the RBL, in respect of	NOTED
	council donation.	NOTED
	e. Letter from VoG Exchequer Services, VoG Council confirming the Precept figure for FY 2021/22	NOTED
1941.	CHAIRMAN'S ACTIONS	
	NONE.	
1942.	INVOICES	
	Floodlighting & Electrical Services Allens Printers Ltd £330.00 Cllr S Haines £52.95 E-ON Councillors remuneration payments Zurich Town & Parish Insurance Playgroup (Christmas Party) Clerks Expenses (Newsletter Drop) RAF Voluntary Band (Sant's Grotto) Floodlighting & Electrical Services YNAB (Annual Subscription) HMRC (Income Tax & NI) Caretaker Salary Clerk Salary Clerk Salary Clerk Salary £617.38 Council Tax	
	PROPOSED By: Cllr B Acott SECONDED By: Cllr D Crompton	CARRIED

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1943.	PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
	a. Application No: 2020/00922/FUL.	
	Location: Brook Cottages, St Johns Hill, St Athan.	
	Proposal: Raise decking in rear garden. APPROVED 30 th November 2020	NOTED
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	b. Application No: 2020/01240/FUL.	
	Location: 6 Lime Grove, Eglwys Brewis.	
	Proposal: Demolish existing front utility room and rebuild new downstairs WC and cloakroom with sloping roof.	
	APPROVED 10 th December 2020	NOTED
	A 1' N. 2020/01/C0/FLH	
	c. Application No: 2020/01160/FUL Location: 25, Tathan Crescent, St Athan	
	Proposal: Removal of Leylandii hedge and replace with	
	render painted wall of 1m, with 2m pillars with fencing in	
	between the pillars and sitting on the 1m section of the wall. APPROVED 14 th December 2020	NOTED
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	d. Application No: 2020/00950/FUL	
	Location: Flemingston Court, Flemingston Road.	
	Proposal: New horse accommodation building. APPROVED 17 TH December 2020	NOTED
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	e. Application No: 2020/01505/FUL (ANH)	
	Location: Land adjacent to Picketston Close, Eglwys Brewis.	
	Proposal: Construction of detached two and a half storey	
	five bedroom house and a detached double garage with a	
	home office above. The forming of a new vehicle and	
	pedestrian access on Eglwys Brewis Road, construction of 2.0m wide footway to frontage of site. Associated works	
	including driveway, landscaping, boundary walls and	
	fencing.	
	PROPOSED BY: Cllr B Acott	
	SECONDED BY: Cllr J Angove	
	That an objection with discussed comments is to be made in respect of Planning Application No: 2020/01505/FUL (ANH)	CARRIED
	respect of Framming application (vo. 2020/01303/1 OL (MINIT)	

1943	f. Application No: 2020/01511/FUL (TP)	
Cont	Location: The Granary, Castleston Road, St Athan Proposal: Installation of log burning stove in lounge and	
	installation of log burning stove in long hallway	
	/conservatory, with the installation of external flues	
	PROPOSED BY: Cllr S Haines	
	SECONDED BY: Cllr D Crompton	CARRIED
	That the St Athan Community Council raise NO OBJECTIONS in respect of Planning Application No: 2020/01511/FUL (TP)	
	g. Public Consultation on Bro Tathan Y Porth Draft Development Brief	
	The Chairman directed the following comments be made in respect of this Public Consultation.	
	 That this council is to be kept fully informed at each stage of the development 	
	 That the views of this council are noted and considered 	
	That where possible the Chairman or	
	representative be invited to any subsequent meetings, relating to this development	CLOSED
1944.	<u>REPORTS</u>	
	NONE.	
1945.	PRECEPT FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2020-2021	
	Minutes of the finance meeting and recommendations for the financial budget and Precept for the financial year ending 31st March 2022 were presented and discussed.	
	PROPOSED BY: Cllr R Eustace SECONDED BY: Cllr B Acott	
	That all the recommendations of the finance committee be accepted, and that the Precept for the F/Y 2021/22 be set at £25.00 realising an income of £38,472.86.	CARRIED

1946. CODE OF CONDUCT The Council Clerk reminded members on the following points of order: a. Code of Conduct Ombudsman July 2016, Part 3 -Prejudicial Interests. b. Code of Conduct St Athan Community Council November 2016, Part 3 - Prejudicial Interests. Members were reminded to complete and return Register of Members' Interest forms to the Council Clerk at the earliest opportunity. A question was raised over received dispensation from the County Council's Standards Committee, in respect of matters relating to the Library. County Cllr J Thomas agreed to investigate this issue with the Monitoring officer and report back to the council at the next general meeting. 1947. LIBRARY A discussion took place over the continuance of the village Library. Cllr D Crompton confirmed a copy of a fully costed and detailed Business Plan will be sent to all Councillors, in advance of the February General meeting. Cllr S Haines reaffirmed the requirement for all requests for funding, to be presented to the council in writing and voted on at council meetings. Cllr S Haines summarised the following options. **a.** Drip feed money as requested. **b.** Offer to takeover building and maintenance costs. **c**. Take over library. **d.** Do nothing. PROPOSED BY: Cllr S Haines SECONDED BY: Cllr J Angove That the need for councillor's representative on library NOT committee is no longer necessary. **CARRIED**

1948.	LAMP POST POPPIES	
1940.	Cllr J Lougher was not present at the meeting and will brief members on details relating to the purchase lamp post poppies at a future meeting.	CLOSED
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1949.	WARD AUDIT	
	Councillors were reminded to complete audits by 28 th February 2021 and the availability of High Viz vest.	
	Cllr S Haines confirmed he would assist Cllr S Williams in carrying out an audit in Gileston.	
	Cllr J Angove confirmed he would audit East Camp. Cllr B Acott confirmed he would audit the MoD housing estate.	
	The rest of St Athan Ward is to be audited by the remainder of Ward Councillors.	
1950.	REMUNERATION PAYMENTS	
	Annual remuneration payments for FY 2020-21 have been made.	
	Members not wishing to receive a remuneration payment, are required to send an 'Opt Out' return to the council clerk.	
	Cllr S Haines acknowledged and thanked the Chairman for her commitment to the role of Chairman, despite being a front-line worker throughout the Coronavirus pandemic, and that the responsibilities associated with the role of Chairman have increased in recent times and will continue to do so. It is therefore necessary to compensate the role.	
	PROPOSED BY: Cllr S Haines SECONDED BY; Cllr R Eustace	
	That in accordance with the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report dated February 202 para 13.16 that an annual payment of £500 in recognition of additional responsibilities be paid with immediate effect and in future	
	responsibilities be paid with immediate effect and in future years to the Chairman.	CARRIED
1951.	FINANCIAL APPEAL	
	a. The Glamorgan Federation of Young Farmers Clubs (GFYFC) wrote to the council, requesting consideration be given to making a financial donation, in support of the Young Farmers Clubs.	NOT APPROVED

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1951 Cont	b. Wales Air Ambulance (WAA) have written to the council requesting consideration is given to making a financial donation, in support of WAA activities.	
	PROPOSED BY: Cllr R Eustace SECONDED BY: Cllr B Acott	
	That a donation of £50.00 be made to the Wales Air Ambulance charity.	CARRIED
1952.	FACEBOOK PAGE	
	The opening of a council Facebook page was discussed. It was decided not to pursue this initiative but utilise the St Athan Hub as a means of keeping in touch with residents.	
		CLOSED
1953.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
	Council Clerk asked when making a proposal, all associated costs, lead times etc should be put before the council at the time of making the proposal.	NOTED
	The Future Project Committee will meet on Thursday 21st January 2021 at 7.30pm to plan for the 2021 village fete and party in the part event.	NOTED
	Cllr S Haines confirmed the 4 x crosses secured to the St Athan church tower will be taken down on Monday 18 th January 2021 at 10am.	NOTED
	Cllr R Eustace praised Alan Bourne and members of the RAF Volunteer Band for putting on an extra date, playing Christmas carols to Flemingston resident.	NOTED
	Cllr B Acott reported the death of Ex-Cllr Eric Gudgeon who recently passed. Both the RAF Association and RAF Band attended the funeral.	NOTED

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 21.27pm. There were no members of the public present.

Next General Meeting Tuesday 2^{nd} February 2021, 7:30pm

ST. ATHAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT 31ST JANUARY 2021

RESERVE ACCOUNT

Income 11,051.27 Expenditure 5,000.00 Balance 6,051.27

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Income 47,888.68 Expenditure Administration 13,080.63 Chairman's Allowance 225.00 Council Property 13,773.01 Grants & Donations 1,483.00 Ward 5,638.15 Total 34,199.79 Balance 13,688.89