



MINUTES OF THE ST ATHAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING HELD TUESDAY 5th OCTOBER 2021
IN THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL HALL

PRESENT

Councillor R Eustace (Chairman)	Bro Tathan Local Council Liaison Cttee Future Projects Cttee General Maintenance Cttee
Councillor B Acott	Aberthaw Power Station Local Liaison Cttee (Deputy) Friends of the Glamorgan Heritage Coast
Councillor D Crompton	Cardiff Airport Liaison Cttee Conservation Area Planning – Flemingston General Maintenance Cttee Llantwit Major Public Footpaths Cttee
Councillor S Haines	Cardiff Airport Liaison Cttee (Deputy) Future Projects Cttee General Maintenance Cttee
Councillor J Lougher	Aberthaw Cement Works C.L.C Bro Tathan Local Council Liaison Cttee Future Projects Cttee
Councillor J Lynch-Wilson	Future Projects Cttee One Voice Wales St Athan Community Association
Councillor D White	
Councillor D Willmot	Aberthaw Cement Works Cttee C.L.C General Maintenance Cttee School Governors
Councillor S Williams	Aberthaw Power Station Local Liaison Cttee Conservation Area Planning – Gileston
County Councillor J Thomas	Vale of Glamorgan Council

APOLOGIES

Councillor A Barnaby (Vice Chairman)	Future Projects Cttee One Voice Wales Vale of Glamorgan Council, Community Liaison Cttee
Councillor J Angove	Vale of Glamorgan Council, Community Liaison Cttee
Councillor N Gudgeon	

MINUTE	ITEM	ACTION
2081	<p><u>WELCOME</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed members to the Community Council Meeting.</p>	
2082	<p><u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u></p> <p>None.</p>	
2083	<p><u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES</u></p> <p>PROPOSED By: Councillor D Crompton SECONDED By: Councillor S Haines</p> <p>That the minutes of the General Meeting held on the 7th September 2021 be accepted as a true record of proceedings.</p>	CARRIED
2084	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></p> <p>The following matters remain on going.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Allotment. b. Website Accessibility. c. Boys Village. d. Waste Bin. e. Telephone Box Flemington f. Vehicles Using Rectory Road. g. Disaster Plan. h. St Athan Pollinator Project. i. Open Reach Building. j. New Council Notice Board 	ON GOING
2085	<p><u>FINANCIAL STATEMENT</u></p> <p>The Chairman presented a Financial Statement of Accounts as at the 30th September 2021. Summary of accounts is at Annex A</p> <p>PROPOSED By: Councillor D White SECONDED By: Councillor S Haines</p> <p>That the presented statement be accepted as a true record of council financial accounts.</p>	CARRIED
2086	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Thank you from Mr Paul Carr regarding the Councils donation of £194.00 in respect of St. Athan Cycle bank and clothes bank charities. b. Email from St. Athan Women's Institute requesting action is taken to improve street lighting outside the BT Exchange and that the payment be dropped to a potential trip hazard. County Councillor J Thomas actioning. 	

2086 Cont...	<p>c. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report.</p> <p>d. Email from Alun Cairns MP to confirmed he is keen to work with St. Athan Community Council to find a solution to safety issues relating to the B42654/Gileston Road junction.</p> <p>e. Jane Hutt MS is having another (remote) road safety meeting on 12th October 2021 9am, joined by Deputy Minister for Climate Change, Lee Waters.</p>																																															
2087	<p><u>CHAIRMAN'S ACTIONS</u></p> <p>The Events Facilities, Vale of Glamorgan Council, have been requested to confirm the use of the St. Athan sports field for a summer fete in 2022.</p> <p>Contacted One Voice Wales (OVW) regarding National Salary Awards for 2022-23. In response, OVW confirmed no details regarding future pay awards has been published at this time.</p>																																															
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2089	<p><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u></p> <p>a. Town and Country Planning Act, 1990 (as amended) Application No: 2021/01057/FUL Location: 10 Green Meadow Close, St. Athan Proposal: Proposed conversion of existing garage to granny annex and dormer loft conversion</p> <p>Approved 10th September 2021.</p> <p>b. Town and Country Planning Act, 1990 (as amended) Application No. 2021/01180/FUL Location: 7, Pant y Celyn Place, St. Athan Proposal: Remove and replace existing concrete pre-fab exterior panel facade with new cavity wall, block work and render with brick detailing. Demolish existing outhouse and construct new single storey rear extension. Relocate front door to front elevation. Internal remodelling.</p> <p>Approved 28th September 2021.</p> <p>c. Town and Country Planning Act, 1990 (as amended) Application No. 2021/01139/FUL Location : Greystones, Flemingston Road, Flemingston Proposal : Proposed Installation of domestic solar photovoltaic system of 25no. panels</p> <p>Approved 29th September 2021.</p> <p>d. Town and Country Planning Act, 1990 (as amended) Planning Application No. 2021/01327/FUL (MST) Location : 8, Berkrolles Avenue, St. Athan Proposal : Single storey front extension to form porch with WC</p> <p>PROPOSED By: Councillor J Lougher SECONDED By: Councillor J Lynch-Wilson</p> <p>That the St Athan Community Council raise NO OBJECTIONS in respect of Planning Application No: 2021/01327/FUL (MST)</p>	CARRIED
2090	<p><u>REPORTS</u></p> <p>Councillor B Acott briefed on the Aberthaw Power Station Local Liaison Committee meeting held (remotely) on Monday 16th August 2021. Full details are at Annex B.</p> <p>Councillor D Crompton briefed on the Airport Consultative Committee meeting held (remotely) on 22nd September 2021. Full details are at Annex C.</p>	
2091	<p><u>REMEMBRANCE DAY CHURCH SERVICE</u></p> <p>In line with Govt. social distancing directives, it was agreed a Remembrance Service be held on Sunday 14th November 2021 in the St Athan Parish Church at 10am, followed by a Service at the Memorial at 11am. Representatives from the RAF and Army be invited to attend, together with the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Glamorgan.</p>	

2095 Cont...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equality & Diversity Police • Sickness Absence Police & Procedure 	CARRIED
2096	<p><u>OPEN TOP BUS</u></p> <p>PROPOSED By: Councillor S Haines SECONDED By: Councillor J Lynch-Wilson</p> <p>That subject to any Govt. social distancing measures a sum of £ 400.00 be paid for the supply of an open top bus to transport musicians, carol singers and Santa around St. Athan Ward .</p>	CARRIED
2097	<p><u>SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY</u></p> <p>After lengthy debate it was agreed not to hold a Christmas Party in 2021.</p>	
2098	<p><u>FINANCIAL APPEAL</u></p> <p>Bro Radio are seeking funding to help pay for a project to extend radio coverage across St. Athan ward.</p> <p>PROPOSED BY: Councillor D White SECONDED By: Councillor D Crompton</p> <p>That £500.00 be donated to Bro Radio to assist in the development of Bro Radio expansion, on condition, that should the project fail, the money would be returned.</p>	CARRIED
2099	<p><u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u></p> <p>Councillor S Haines reminded those present about safe guarding personal contact information.</p> <p>Council D White attended a meeting with Emily Shaw (Pollination Project Officer Vale of Glamorgan Council) and the Council Clerk on 1st October 2021 aimed at identifying suitable pollination areas within the ward. A progress report will be made at the next Council meeting in November.</p> <p>Councillor R Eustace asked that members consider the benefits of installing video conferencing equipment to facilitate future meetings. County Councillor J Thomas agreed to liaise with the Vale Council IT department for guidance and report back at the November Council meeting.</p>	

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Next General Meeting Tuesday 2nd November 2021, 7:30pm

ST. ATHAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
FINANCIAL STATEMENT – 30th SEPTEMBER 2021

RESERVE ACCOUNT

Income	
Balance Brought Forward	6,051.64
Bank Interest	0.05
Total	6,051.59
Expenditure	
	0.00
Balance	6051.59

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Income	
Balance Brought Forward	3,662.62
Precept	25,648.00
Centre Hire	936.00
Vat Refund	1649.90
Bank Refund	73.61
Total	31,970.13
Expenditure	
Administration	9,031.67
Chairman's Allowance	20.00
Council Property	4601.23
Grants & Donations	1,200.00
St Athan Ward	2484.00
Total	17,418.90
Balance	14,551.23

ABERTHAW POWER STATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16TH AUGUST 2012

REPORT BY COUNCILOR B ACOTT

PRESENT

RWE Generation Representatives

Mr Adrian Greenwood - Decommissioning Manager- Chair

Mark Jemmett - Closed Site Team Leader

Severine (Sev) Poncelet -Head of Property Mgt and Site Development, leading sale of the site, taken over from Fiona

David Tate -Commercial Asset Management - Closed Site Manager

Ms Rachel Sansom - Community Liaison

Resident Representatives

Mr Bob Dickens - East Aberthaw

Mrs Sharne Williams - Gileston

Mr Keith Neighbour - Aberthaw

Mr Andrew Morris - West Aberthaw

Cllr Brian Acott - St Athan

Mr Tony Leakey - Natural Resources Wales

Duncan Ludlow - Reserve Manager, Wildlife Trust

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Kelly Nye, Press Officer of RWE. Gwyn John had accepted proposed date but not the invitation to attend. Kerry Rogers, accepted invitation but did not join the meeting.

There was a quick introduction with new members Severine Poncelet confirming she has taken over the proposed sale from Fiona Auty. Duncan Ludlow joined the Wildlife Trust three weeks ago and the East Aberthaw Nature Reserve is within the area he will be covering. Mark Jemmett, has worked at Aberthaw for 20 years and has been part of the ongoing management of the decommissioning. All the other members confirmed the areas that they represent as above. Adrian confirmed this is his last week with the company and has handed over the site to David.

2. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

No actions were recorded at the last meeting. Adrian confirmed he had sent out an update in March. He said there were some questions being sent to him so the decision was made to hold the meeting to give everyone the opportunity to raise any concerns and let the members know the current status of the site.

3. SITE DECOMMISSIONING UPDATE

Adrian gave an update on decommissioning. He confirmed that the decommissioning that was started last April has taken slightly longer than expected. Now the decommissioning is over formally - that means taking the site from operational to the next phase ready to sell or demolish. What we have had to do was to make the station safe and remove all the hazards. This included fuels, chemicals and gases. All the coal, biomass and all the chemicals have been removed. Only a few chemicals were used on site - a few gases such as propane and hydrogen and chemicals such as sulphuric acid and caustic soda were all removed. These were hazards regulated under COMAH - Control Of Major Accident Hazards Regulations - and as they have been removed, so has the site's registration. All the electrical supply has been removed from the substations and we are awaiting the new 11kv supply for the site. This has taken longer than expected and a final connection date is due in September. We can then disconnect the diesel generator.

It has been a complicated process with all plant signed off to ensure a safe handover to the demolition team or contractor and all safe with hazards removed and identifying any remaining hazards.

The two high voltage substations are leased to the National Grid Company and both will be staying after the site is demolished; so have to be independent from the station. This has also taken longer than expected. The water pipe and electrical supplies will soon be ready. They will be taking their water from the Gileston side of the site.

Aberthaw station is now separated from the Bristol Channel. This was used for cooling water and the connection has been capped off. It was an important part to make the site safe from water coming in from the Bristol Channel.

The site is no longer taking water from Ely Wells and we are currently in discussions with Welsh Water. St Lythan and East Aberthaw reservoirs have been drained. St Lythan and Ely Wells are outside the proposed sale of the site.

There has been some demolition activity on site. The ash reprocessing plant that was a joint venture with Lafarge, has been demolished. We are currently taking down the carbon capture plant, again a joint venture plant. These had to be taken down early due to intellectual property issues. It is going well and we are pleased with the progress.

Buildings across the site have been sealed safely and securely.

The site has a good safety record and this has been maintained throughout this process. Security continues to be a concern. There have been some cable thefts and urban explorers accessing the site. The latest ones were in June. If anyone sees anything suspicious, please let us know.

Mark added that a lot of work has been completed on the CCTV. The last thieves were caught in the act and apprehended on the M4 - lots of work has been done to improve that.

Adrian continued to say that the closed site team is now seven people who are looking after the site and the plan is to move over to the ACE² building. This is an ideal location away from the site but with good access. Work is ongoing to get the building ready.

There have been lots of requests for filming on site but these have had to be declined, mostly because of health and safety concerns. Some of the buildings now have no electric lights. The BBC did use the station car park while they were filming in the Boys Village for Casualty.

Adrian asked if the members had any questions and Keith asked what will be happening with the East Aberthaw reservoir.

Adrian confirmed this has been drained but there are still electrical connections. The team is in the process of talking to the supplier about disconnecting it. If the site is sold, the decision will be with the new owner as part of the sale process. If a buyer is not found the remaining team will have to look at the options.

David added that the decision is yet to be made of how to demolish it or how to make it safe. Keith asked if he would have a say in the decision. David confirmed he would be involved in the conversation.

Adrian added that Keith is a key stakeholder whose proximity to the reservoir would be taken into account but the decision could be outside the current owners hands if a sale is finalised.

4. FUTURE SITE OPTIONS

Adrian handed over to Sev. She said she would give a quick run-down as replaced Fiona in the meeting. One year ago, RWE undertook a strategic review of its land portfolio and Aberthaw was surplus to this. The decision was made to put it on the market to check the appetite. The current position is that the company is looking to divest the site as it did with Fawley and Littlebrook. Sev was involved in the successful sale of Littlebrook and the site is being redeveloped. She added that the company sometimes demolishes the site and then sells. With Aberthaw there was an appetite to buy as seen so the intention is to sell to a credible and responsible party - someone who understands the complexities, someone who can deliver a credible development for the community; the fact that it will benefit the area is important

to us. Environmental permits need to be passed to the new owner. This forms part of the due diligence of a potential buyer. The process is not designed to favour the highest bidder. Savills were appointed as the land agent and over the past year a number of consultants have been employed to prepare the information required for the marketing process. This is to prepare a data room, an online facility that provides information on, for example, legal titles, site surveys, ground and archaeological surveys, asbestos surveys; there is a large amount of data available. Marketing commenced in March, pre-selected buyers can access this data room and site visits were arranged. In May, site visits of the pre-selected parties took place as part of the due diligence. The second round of selection was made and a smaller number of potential buyers were selected to undertake further site due diligence including demolition requirements. The next step is bids in the Autumn. There will then be an internal review to check the competencies and review the proposed schemes. The favoured proposal will then be recommended to the board. If they agree, the hope would be to communicate this by the end of the year. If no sale is possible then RWE will demolish the site and this may mean it would be put on the market in the future. The third party due diligence phase is well underway and the team are supporting queries about the site and providing answers. Third parties will have to go through the normal planning process and the local community will have the opportunity to raise concerns and comment. This will be the case if RWE or a third party want to demolish the site.

Adrian added that there had been some questions about what is actually on the market. Sev replied that it is the main power station; that includes the coal stock ground, ash mound and nature reserve. There are some farm tenancies in the north of the site and these would be transferred.

Keith asked if RWE are in partnership with the Fonmon Estate as they also have land on the market that is adjacent to the nature reserve.

Sev confirmed that RWE are not in partnership.

Keith advised that he is referring to land next to him, he is in between their land and RWE. He wanted to know if the sale is combined.

Sev said no, they are being sold separately.

Adrian added that there have been questions about the conservation area, if it is included in the sale and who will have future responsibility. He said that if the site is sold it will be the new site owner as all included in the sale, if not it will remain with RWE and they will maintain the paths, etc.

Keith asked if that includes security.

Adrian said that the reserve contains permissive pathways and are not covered. The ash mound is and RWE don't want anyone on the ash mound and that is their responsibility.

Keith asked about damage such as fires, who should residents contact for this type of thing.

Adrian replied that if anything of concern is seen to contact the Aberthaw Security team and they will contact the police. The site owner, currently RWE, is the immediate contact so the security is the best and they will get hold of the police.

Brian said that a few people in the village have referred to the site being a golf course before it was a power station; there have been comments that it was understood that after the power station closed it would be returned to a golf course. Is this true or what should he say?

Sev replied that this has been looked in to but RWE can find no documents to say it has to be returned, maybe a new owner's intention but there is no obligation for this to happen.

Brian thanked Sev and confirmed that he understood and would report back.

Bob asked about the prospective shortlist; are they companies or finance, investors? He referred to L&G and the issues they have seen in the area.

Sev confirmed that they are credible developers but she is unable to disclose numbers.

Adrian added that this is part of the due diligence and who RWE will sell the site to has to be right and prove they have the processes in place to develop the site.

Keith added that he understood that they were down to three, that it was seven.

Sev added that she cannot disclose, there was a large number of interested parties initially.

Keith asked if it was down to three.

Sev said it is not down to three, there are a few more than that but she will not comment further as it is a competitive process.

David provided an update. He confirmed his background as Closed Site Manager and he is currently covering Tilbury, Didcot and Aberthaw. He was also involved at Fawley and Littlebrook, covering the process of both invitation to demolish and sale. He has been involved in the health and safety and pre-

construction files since October/November supporting the sale outcomes. There are seven staff and security who work 24 hours. They will remain if the company is involved in demolition. If there are any comments he confirmed he would respond to any issues going forward as Adrian is leaving the company.

5. BIODIVERSITY UPDATE

Duncan introduced himself and confirmed not a lot to say at this stage. There have not been any walks due to the current situation. In terms of his future role, he is in his fourth week so learning about the area he will cover that includes the nature reserve and Bridgend so will be receiving a full handover from Kerry soon.

6. NRW UPDATE

Tony reported that not a lot to add. He confirmed he was last on site at the end of September last year. He was involved in the verification of the removal of the hazardous inventory. He has been in the area carrying out noise measurements, etc. There have been a few exchanges regarding the permit. There are concerns around from people about the demolition or redevelopment of the site and RWE will have a final say on this. There are remaining small pollution controls still on the site and there is a need for any new owners to understand the land and water and to surrender any permits. The quarry is not part of the sale but the ash mound is. This will move into an after care scheme and the permit will remain for some time to come. There have not been a huge amount of discussions but will when any sale requires permits to be transferred to the new land owner. NRW will be closely involved with RWE if this happens.

Sev added that as soon as a preferred bidder is in place they will be introduced to NRW for these discussions to begin. The bidder and NRW will need to meet regarding the permits and the due process to be followed for the permit transfer.

Adrian said that Bob had asked questions about the ash mound via email and possible leaches. He confirmed that the mound is subject to permit controls that ensure no leaching and that it is stable. He added that staff had looked but could not find a bulge.

Bob said he was looking at a picture taken eight years ago and it is really hard to see any difference because of the vegetation. He said he did walk it past the gate. ACTION on Bob to send detail of area of concern for further investigation.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Keith asked as Adrian is retiring is David taking over, who should emails be addressed to.

Adrian confirmed that he formally handed the site over to David and that he will be leaving the business. This is his last week at Aberthaw. He confirmed that David looks after a number of sites so Mark would be the best local contact going forward.

Sharne asked for contact details as had some issues in the past. She advised she had got hold of the police but they had not been very forthcoming; she said she needs to get hold of people. She said they had to drive around to the security lodge and they couldn't get hold of anyone.

Adrian confirmed that the first port of call is the security team. They have contact details for David and Mark and how to contact them.

Sharne added that it is important to have a direct number.

David confirmed that email can be used as well.

Mark added that the security team have contact details for the site team and will try in turn until they reach someone. He confirmed that he had been contacted at various times to be made aware of issues on site.

Sharne asked if all the cameras are up and running.

Mark confirmed there are no issues.

Brian told the meeting that he would like to record his thanks to Adrian and the help given to the school over the years. He added that the power station had been there for them in times of need and that he wanted to record the thanks from the primary school of St Athan.

ACTION on Rachel to distribute contact details. Completed: see below.

David Tate: email: david.tate@rwe.com

Mark Jemmett: email: mark.jemmett@rwe.com

Aberthaw security number: 01446 742214

AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 22nd SEPTEMBER 2021
REPORT BY COUNCILOR D CROMPTON

Update from Spencer Birns CEO.

Airport is aligning with UK & WG rules on coronavirus. Latest system has red and open countries. Uncertainty as to what vaccines/tests are required leading to uncertainty in demand.

Passenger numbers down 90% still. KLM reduced to 4 flights/week instead of 3 /day to Amsterdam. Not enough demand for seats with all airlines.

Low cost airlines operating with 30%/40% load factor. Flights at 25% and passengers at 35% of pre-pandemic numbers. Rail recovery is 25% in Wales 35% in England.

Airlines are reviewing flights on a 2 weekly cycle. Qatar will not restart before 2023 but airport is holding a routes conference next month. Currently 14 destinations from Cardiff, Dublin to restart at the end of October.

Terminal facilities almost fully open air side. The lounge is open restricted hours.

Staff have been on a rotary furlough system; all staff will be off furlough from the end of September but some seconded staff will stay on secondment. Emphasis on currency and training over the winter. All staff should be back at the airport from next year.

Premium car parking introduced with guaranteed space and short walk to terminal. 2 long stay car parks remain closed.

Change of routing over Barry has been trialled to reduce noise impact.

The airport is 80 years old next year and hope to move from survival to revival mode.

Most airlines have tickets on sale for next year. Wizz Air are due to have routes on sale from end of March 2022.