

OLD ST. MELLONS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held in the Village Hall,
Newport Road, Old St. Mellons on Thursday 19th January 2006

Present Councillor Mrs G Jones (Chairman)

Councillors
Mrs P Jenkins
Mr C Price
Mrs D Rees
Mr E Rees
Mr D Stroud
Mrs J Rogers

1. APOLOGIES Mr L Ackerman, Mr M Boyce

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

3. LOCAL RESIDENTS

None present

4. POLICE MATTERS

The Chairman welcomed the new Inspector Dave Offside, Sergeant Christine Bradley and PC Jo Francis to the meeting

The Inspector introduced himself and gave a brief account of his previous responsibilities. He was very positive regarding forming partnerships with the community and with this in mind was setting up a Consultative Panel for interested parties, further details to be confirmed. His priorities at present are to reduce vehicle crime and anti social behaviour problems

The Chairman welcomed these targets but emphasised the need for continuity of officers to implement these initiatives

The Inspector confirmed that the patrols around the Parish Church area were continuing but there was need for the Outreach personnel to be involved and where necessary the issuing ASBO letters to offenders

The Chairman referred to a recent disturbance at the Bluebell and the response time to the incident. The Inspector did not have the information for that particular incident but stated that it depends on the manner in which incidents are initially reported as to the priority they are given which in turn effects the response time. Regarding the request for a change in the logging system of crimes, the Inspector explained it was not possible with the present computer system but this was due to be upgraded and hopefully this could then be accommodated

PC Francis presented the recent crime figures: Burglary 1

- Theft of motor vehicle 1
- Theft from motor vehicle 4
- Criminal damage to motor vehicle 2
- Criminal damage 1
- Violence Nil

- ASBO incidents 14

PC Francis referred to the problem of under age petrol sales and circulated a copy of the poster that was to be displayed at the garages and also circulated copies of the Crimestoppers information – to be displayed in notice boards and provided car theft leaflets to be distributed to residents

The Chairman referred to complaints regarding the parking of commercial vehicles on Ty'r Winch Road near to the junction of Began and Druidstone Road. They were obstructing the vision from driveways of residents and also causing others to drive on the wrong side of the road to turn into Druidstone Road. It was a situation waiting for an accident to happen. Police to investigate
The Chairman thanked Inspector Offside, Sergeant Bradley and PC Francis for attending the meeting

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the Council meeting held in the Village Hall, Newport Road, Old St Mellons on Thursday 15th December 2005 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING

6.1 Playing Fields

Pavilion: Future use and work on the pavilion discussed – further discussions with Village Association

Tennis Courts: Ongoing

6.2 Village Hall

Hall Gateway: Gate and archway under construction

Hallway / Toilet Refurbishment: Although the work had been completed there were some reservations regarding the quality of work. It was agreed that the Village Association, as grant applicants, review the work and pay the account accordingly.

Hall Extension:

Agreed to pay solicitors £26.10 to obtain office copies of titles to establish ownership of plots adjacent to hall

Hire of hall:

The Clerk reported that during a recent hire of the hall the floor in the small hall had suffered several scorch marks. Agreed to retain bond – Clerk to inform hirer

6.3 W.P.D. Training Field Access, Ty'r Winch Road

Current situation discussed - ongoing

6.4 Footpath No 14 – Newport Road / Ty'r Winch Road

Ongoing

6.5 Carol Singing

An excellent evening. Letter of thanks to be sent to 'Father Christmas' Dr Christofides and musicians. Letter already sent to EBP

6.6 Cardiff CC

Councillor E Rees reported on the review of Local Development Plan – Draft Delivery Agreement; agreed to make initial response but expressed concern regarding short time scale for stage 2 consultation

6.7 Welsh Assembly

Agreed to visit new assembly buildings, either Wednesday 15th February or 8th March – Clerk

to arrange

6.8 One Voice Wales

Councillor J Rogers to attend Training Day

7. PLANNING MATTERS 05/02799/E Outline Planning Permission Received: 09/12/2005
Expected Decision Level: Delegated Applicant: Mr J Bell Address: Pwll Coch Uchaf,
Druidstone Road, Old St Mellons Cardiff CF3 6SD Agent: Harmers Ltd Address: Andrew
Muir, 39 Lambourne Crescent, Cardiff Business Park Llanishen Cardiff CF14 5GG Proposal:
RENEWAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION 02/2812N FOR ONE DETACHED HOUSE At:
Land at Pwll Coch Farm, Druidstone Road, Old St. Mellons, Cardiff Ward:
PONTPRENNAU/OLD ST. MELLONS *Renewal of Previous Permission*