

June 28, 2023

## Meeting

Members of the St Nicholas with Bonvilston Community Council are summoned to attend a meeting of the council, to be held remotely, on **Monday 3rd July, 2023 at 7pm**. Members of the public are welcome, and encouraged to attend, and will have opportunity to address the council.

The meeting will be held remotely in accordance with the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021. The Act makes permanent provision for remote meetings (multi-location) and electronic publication of documents. The meeting will be recorded to ensure the accuracy of the Minutes.

*Paul Malone* - Clerk

## Agenda

1. **Chair's welcome and introduction**
2. **To accept apologies for absence**
3. **To receive declarations of interest**
4. **Co-option of Members**
5. **Police Matters**
6. **Vale of Glamorgan Council Matters:**
7. **Updates from other meetings attended and One Voice Wales**
8. **Clerks' activity report and updates on Community Council projects:**
  - a. Older peoples commission for Wales
  - b. Training Plan
  - c. Internal Auditor meeting Thurs 29th of June
9. **Correspondence**
10. **Matters not on the agenda – Discussion Forum**
11. **Finance**
  - a. Payroll/HMRC
  - b. Corporate multi-pay card
  - c. To receive a Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliation for June 2023
  - d. Amendments to budget
  - e. To approve payments
12. **To receive updates on planning matters**

### **13. To consider Planning Applications and Matters**

- a. Oaklands Solar Farm  
Proposed ground mounted photo voltaic solar farm and battery energy storage system with associated equipment, infrastructure, grid connection and ancillary work
- b. Vacant agricultural land with abandoned rural buildings forming a previous smallholding/farmstead, Bonvilston  
Refurbishment consolidation repair conversion of derelict farmstead to new dwelling including extension of 43m<sup>2</sup>

### **14. To consider**

- a. Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for exempting Cowbridge Road (A48), St Nicholas, from default 20mph speed limit
- b. Planting for biodiversity and wellbeing – contractors
- c. Fly-tipping cameras
- d. Remembrance wreaths, wreath stands and silhouettes
- e. Phone box painting
- f. Planter covering

### **15. Next meeting**



## Updates

Projects that are progressing

- HistoryPoints QR Code – mount being sourced
- Queens Green Acre plaque – mount being sourced
- Bonvilston noticeboard clip frames – frames identified, purchase to be made
- New defibrillators and bleed control kits – awaiting script decision by Welsh Ambulance
- Memorial paving – decision on grant expected in July
- Memorial cleaning – waiting on quote from Mossfords
- Dog waste bin – delivery due.
- Multipay card – enquiries made

## Correspondence Received

Replies to our correspondence was received from:

Father Kevin Barry – East Vale Ministry Area – considering proposal to trail poppy nets, etc. over St Mary’s churchyard wall

Paul Booth – Director of Mission, Church in Wales – the small school has been identified as a possible training space for education within the Diocese. He will be consulting with the Ministry Area Council (MAC) and sharing education plans with them early in the autumn and listening to their hopes and dreams for the building. The Diocese is active in developing community partnerships,

Additionally, we have received correspondence from:

Selena Carty – Founder of the charity, Black Poppy Rose – Wishes to make known to us the Black Poppy Rose which is in Remembrance of the African, Black Peoples, West Indian, Caribbean, Pacific Islands & Indigenous Communities contributions to Global Wars that have paved the way for the ‘Cultures’ we know and understand today.



Autocross Euro Shell Ltd – information on bus stops



## **Matters not on the agenda – Discussion Forum**

This is an opportunity for residents to raise matters of concern to them.

This replaces the section of the agenda formerly referred to as Public Participation, due to the changes coming in from the Local Government and Elections Act (Wales), 2021. Members of the public will be offered the opportunity to speak, briefly, on all agenda items.

## **Amendments to budget**

Since setting the budget, the Remuneration Panel has increased the amount members are entitled to and added a contribution for stationary. The budget needs to be amended to cover these additional costs.

## **Payments to approve**

Vale of Glamorgan Council – Green sacks for Community Payback  
*Cheque 100943 – £66*

Debit card payments:

- June 7 – First Rescue Training and Supplies Limited – Pedipads – £125.94
- June 7 – The Slate Workshop – Plaque for trees - £180
- June 12 – Tesco – Stationary for Clerk - £60

Invoices received:

- SLCC Enterprises – Locum fees, May 2023 – £1,758.42

## **Planning Decisions**

1, Church Row, St. Nicholas  
Replacement doors and windows  
Approved 08/06/2023

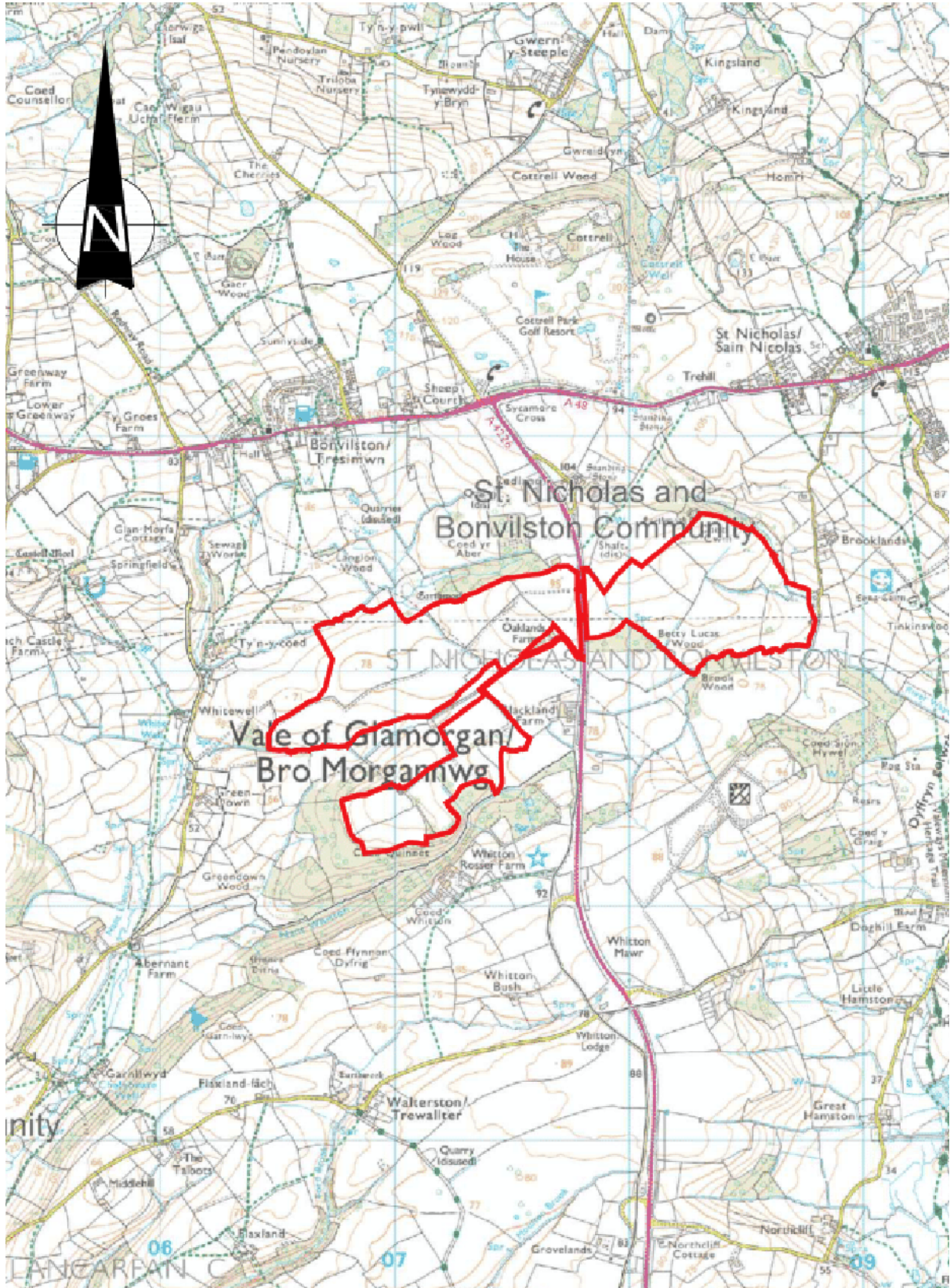
Greenmeadow, Cowbridge Road, St. Nicholas  
Add a first-floor storey with balcony, over existing ground floor footprint of the chalet bungalow and associated external alterations  
Approved 07/06/2023



## Planning Applications

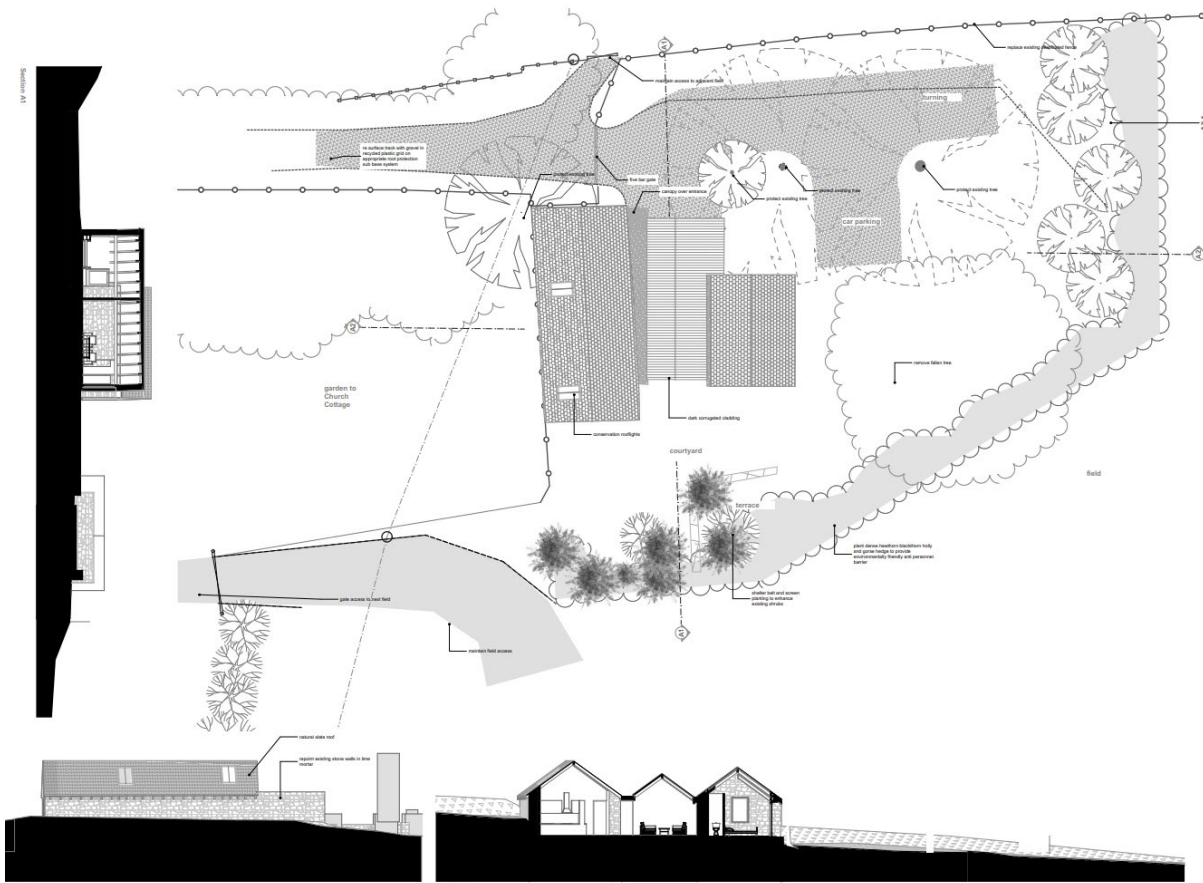
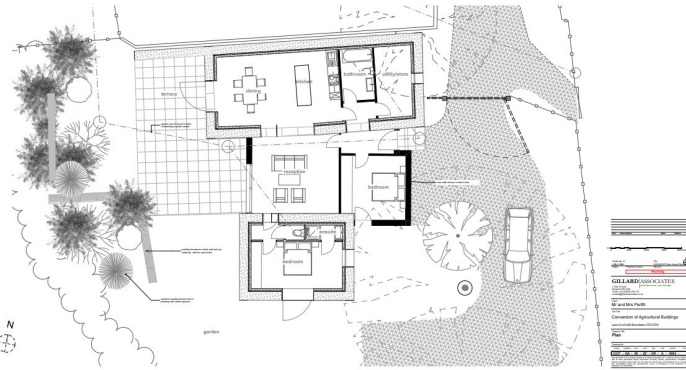
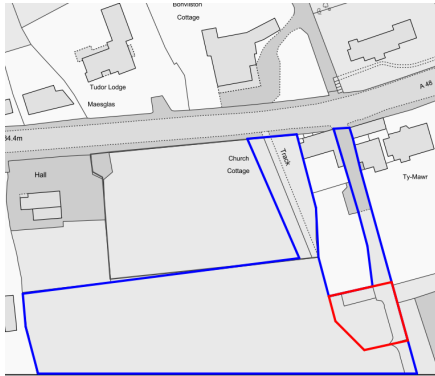
### Oaklands Solar Farm – [2023/00002/DNS](#)

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**Vacant agricultural land with abandoned rural buildings forming a previous smallholding/farmstead, Bonvilston – [2023/00462/FUL](#)**

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## Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for exempting Cowbridge Road (A48), St Nicholas, from default 20mph speed limit

It is the role of the Community Council to determine whether Welsh Government legislation (The Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Wales) Order 2022) is implemented lawfully and in accordance with Welsh Government guidance – it's not for the council to discuss the merits or demerits of the 2022 legislation.

The Highway Authority (Vale of Glamorgan Council) is proposing to exempt Cowbridge Road, St Nicholas, from defaulting to 20mph through a TRO that is in consultation until July 17. The TRO contains a Statement of Reasons as below:

### Statement of Reasons

The Order is necessary to maintain the existing speed limits of 30 mph on selected strategic roads within the County after the Welsh Government has passed legislation to implement a 20mph default speed limit in urban areas nationally throughout Wales in the interest of road safety (The Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Wales) Order 2022).

The Council as Local Highway Authority considers that these roads are strategic routes with higher volumes of daily traffic compared to urban residential streets and as such do not meet the criteria or the nature of a road with a speed limit of 20 mph. The Council considers that the existing 30 mph speed limit is an appropriate speed limit in order to maintain a reasonable traffic flow on higher traffic volume strategic routes.

Residents regularly raise issues with traffic on Cowbridge Road (A48) – traffic speed, volume, noise, the state of the surface and width of the footways. Consultations are in progress regarding Active Travel infrastructure along the A48.

Key issues associated with the A48 are:

- Road Noise: Health and wellbeing of residents
- Road safety: Speed and volume of traffic, turning vehicles, width of footways, lack of protected crossings and people cycling – Active Travel.
- School traffic

Welsh Government guidance includes a 'Place' criterion to assist highway authorities in consistently determining which sections of roads may have significant demands for people walking and cycling. These include areas:

- Within a 100m walk of any educational setting (e.g. primary, secondary, further education and higher education)
- Within 100m walk of any community centre
- Where the number of residential and/or retail premises fronting a road exceeds 20 properties per km.



Where the Place criterion are not met, a 20mph speed limit may be appropriate where:

- there are regularly used for accesses to a school, even though this may be more than 100m from the main entrance
- there is a designated active travel route on the carriageway
- the local community would gain significant benefits from a speed limit of 20mph

The A48 at Llandaff will default to 20mph.

## **Planting for biodiversity and wellbeing – contractors**

Discussions have taken place with professional garden and landscape designers in relation to the areas identified for planting to protect and enhance biodiversity, and the health and wellbeing of residents.

Services would include design, plant selection and possibly workshops for residents to ensure the projects are community owned.

Plant choice is important as many species are toxic for dogs and children. Some plants require more care than others (including watering and pruning), some can become “invasive”, others need specific soil and light conditions to thrive.

Incidental areas can serve as sensory, edible, or zen gardens or be used as herbaceous beds.

## **Fly-tipping cameras**

Residents living outside the villages report ongoing fly tipping. The Vale Council lacks cameras for enforcement. Community Councils may supply additional cameras to the Enforcement Team that can be used within Community Wards. Does St Nicholas with Bonvilston Community Council wish to provide cameras?





## Remembrance wreaths

There is currently a budget of £500 for Remembrance.

- Are there residents willing to crochet wreaths for us?
- Are there organisation like the WI that would also like to lay a wreath?
- Should wreaths be attached to stands to help keep them in place and facing visitors?
- An additional wreath for Ukraine and for all nations where conflict has occurred this year?
- Add an Unknown Women in War silhouette?

