Agenda Item No. 12

Question No. 1

# THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

QUESTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTOCOL AGREED BY COUNCIL ON  $5^{\rm TH}$  MAY, 2010

QUESTION FROM: MRS. G. DAVIES-JONES

# TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND TRANSPORT

## **ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS**

We would like to purchase an electric delivery vehicle for our Pharmacy to deliver to vulnerable patients. However, we would have nowhere to charge the vehicle overnight. Please can you advise on possible solutions to this problem? Could we possibly request a parking spot with charger off road to the side of the Pharmacy on Island Road?

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QUESTION FROM: MR. G. DAVIES

TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND TRANSPORT

#### PORTHKERRY ROAD

Why is Porthkerry Road not residence only parking? I have been told it is because it's not close enough to High Street but I am sick to death of going out, mainly on a weekend and then not able to park anywhere outside or near my house. Surely the residents who pay a significant amount in Council Tax have a right to park near or outside their house. All other streets around High Street have residence only areas!

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QUESTION FROM: MS. K. MOTTRAM

TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND TRANSPORT

## LITTER AND DUMPING IN BARRY

Myself and my fellow neighbours have made many enquiries into the state of Barry in regards to the litter and dumping issues. We have been told many times that the Council are well aware of the issue and that more staff will be deployed to areas to clear the rubbish. To us, more is needed than to collect rubbish around the streets, especially as it's not possible to clear everything. We believe part of the issue is down to inadequate resources provided, e.g. the flimsy bags we are provided. In many counties across Wales residents use hard plastic bins with proper lids. Is there any plan for this? Going forward if you state you are aware of the issues there must be a plan to tackle the rubbish issue, especially as it is causing environmental issues as well as issues to people with disabilities that are often hindered by rubbish and bags in their pathway. Please can you inform us of the plan going forward with a timeline for completion please. If there is no plan yet, please explain why and what can and will be done. Best Wishes, the residents of High Street, Queen Street and Princes Street.

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QUESTION FROM: MISS. N. WILLIAMS

TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR LEGAL, REGULATORY AND PLANNING SERVICES

#### MODEL FARM

What is the update regarding model farm re-submitting development plans on the 17th? Is the development allowed to go ahead and when will the public know these details and where can all plans be viewed please.

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QUESTION FROM: MRS. C. OCKERBY

TO: THE EXECUTIVE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBER FOR PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES

#### **PLANNING PROCESS**

On behalf of Beautiful Barry at a recent VOG meeting a member of the Planning Committee stated that he found the planning process confusing and went on to receive further training. How can the public have any faith in the Council to manage development in the Vale if its own Planning Committee members find it confusing, and following a letter from Welsh Govt recently confirming the Vale made an incorrect decision on the Biomass plant?

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#### **BARRIERS AND LARGE STORAGE CONTAINERS**

On behalf of Beautiful Barry for months, there's been a collection of barriers and large storage containers at the bottom of Thompson Street. How much longer are we going to have to put up with this eyesore?

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#### JUBILEE STREET PARTIES

On behalf of Beautiful Barry as we're being urged to join in with the Platinum Jubilee celebrations, will the Vale be publishing guidance for residents who are organising street parties?

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#### **DISABLED PARKING BAYS**

On behalf of Beautiful Barry does the Council think it is acceptable for a disabled person to wait years on a list to have a parking space outside their property?

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## EAST QUAYS AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACE

On behalf of Beautiful Barry having seen the building work at East Quays and on the new public open space, what steps are the Council taking to ensure that the liner full of contaminated waste, remains intact?

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#### **OUTDOOR GYM AT LEISURE CENTRE**

On behalf of Beautiful Barry when can we expect some progress on the outdoor gym at the leisure centre? It seems the area was quickly cleared and has now been left abandoned.

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#### PARKING RESTRICTIONS AT BARRY ISLAND

On behalf of Beautiful Barry do the Council have any plans to look again at the parking restrictions on Barry Island? Specifically, the increase in the number of disabled parking spaces on the Esplanade? There are now very few spaces for visitors without disabled passes, and whilst it is very important for the disabled to be able to park close to the promenade and beach, the reality is that many of these spaces are not used in the off season period, when locals tend to visit the Island more - for walks, exercise, etc. We understand that local traders (we have no connections to local businesses) are unhappy about this and the detrimental impact on their customer numbers, and that a petition has been organised and presented to you. There are many locals who need to park close to the esplanade - parents with babies and young children, sea swimmers, those who may not be very mobile but not considered disabled. And there are many more who we could site, including the many volunteer litter picking groups, sports groups, etc. We realise that there is a pay and display car park, but the reality is that in these very challenging economic times when bills of all kinds are rocketing, it would be very helpful if the Council could look at this issue with fresh eyes. Please could you consider reducing the number of disabled parking bays for the off season period? This would show an understanding of the needs of many local residents and struggling businesses.

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#### WALKING AND CYCLING LINK FROM BARRY TO DINAS POWYS

On behalf of Beautiful Barry when will the Council be publishing a progress report on the plan to link Barry and Dinas with a walking and cycle path?

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#### **CCTV IN HOLTON ROAD**

On behalf of Beautiful Barry having been told by a Barry business owner that there have been 3 shop windows smashed in Holton Road, can the Council confirm that CCTV was in place and working and that a culprit(s) has been identified?

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#### SEWER DISCAHRGES IN THE OLD HARBOUR

On behalf of Beautiful Barry following on from the rather inappropriate reply to our question about sewer discharges into the Old Harbour, where the Council said that as it was not done by them we should contact Welsh Water ourselves - will the Council reconsider their response considering they are the owners of this land, and the fact that the water is used by many children and adults for kayaking, paddle boarding and cold water swimming, amongst other things? The Vale of Glamorgan Council is the owner and in control of the land known as the "Old Harbour" which is situated within Barry. The Directorate of Environment and Housing are the department responsible for and in control of the Old Harbour in Barry on behalf of the Vale of Glamorgan Council. <a href="https://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/enjoying/Barry-Harbour.aspx#:~:text=About%20Barry%20Harbour,the%20Vale%20of%20Glamorgan">https://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/enjoying/Barry-Harbour.aspx#:~:text=About%20Barry%20Harbour,the%20Vale%20of%20Glamorgan</a>

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## SKATE PARK, THE KNAP

On behalf of Beautiful Barry having been told that funding is in place for the skate park at the Knap, can the Council provide an update on timescales for work to be started and completed?