

## **COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT - FEBRUARY 2015**

### **RETIREMENT OF THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL'S MANAGING DIRECTOR**

The current Managing Director is retiring and the post is about to be advertised.

### **CO-ED SCHOOL - COLCOT/PORT ROAD, BARRY**

Plans have been announced for Barry Comprehensive and Bryn Hafren to be merged. Ysgol Bro Morgannwg premises will swap with Bryn Hafren. This will mean that the new combined co-ed school will form a campus at Colcot Road/Port Road.

### **VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL - REORGANISATION**

The bid for a voluntary merger of Bridgend and the Vale was rejected by the Minister for Public Services. Also rejected was the merger between Conwy and Denbighshire. Bizarrely this merger was proposed in the original Williams' Commission Report. The Minister's credibility is in danger of being questioned and he seems to be unable to set out clearly how he wishes local Government to be reorganised.

### **DINAS POWYS MUSIC FESTIVAL**

This year's Festival starts on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May and lasts until Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2015. There will be a large range of events to suit every taste. Many of the events are in either the Parish or Lee Halls.

### **PUBLIC SPEAKING RIGHTS - PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

From February 2015 members of the public, together with applicants, agents and Town and Community Council representatives, will be able to register to speak on planning applications to be determined by the Vale of Glamorgan Council's Planning Committee.

### **ADULT PLACEMENT SERVICE**

The Vale of Glamorgan Council is calling on residents to help support the Adult Placement Service by becoming hosts and opening their homes to adults with learning and other disabilities for short breaks and on a long term basis.

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