COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – NOVEMBER 2013

HOSPITAL SERVICES REORGANISATION

At long last the results of the Public Consultation have been published. Not surprisingly much of the comment is not in tune with the aims of the Health Boards and therefore the Welsh Government.

BRYNEITHIN EMI CARE HOME

It looks as though the Vale Council is to dispose of the site of which was once Bryneithin Home for the Elderly. Next week's Cabinet will be recommending to market and dispose of the Bryneithin site.

The officers say that the sale must be for extra care facility or older people's housing. There is no clear indication about exactly what will be provided at the site off St. Andrew's Road.

Also there is some wooded land at the top of the site that is proposed to be transferred to St. Andrew's School.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The process is well under way. The deadline date is 20th December 2013.

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL LIBRARIES REVIEW

Another Consultation plan! Here's information from the Vale.

In order to inform the 2013/2014 review of Library Services in the Vale a comprehensive Public Consultation exercise is be to undertaken.

The Consultation will focus on one key area of the review: identification of service priorities and development opportunities – including opportunities to collaborate and alternative methods of service delivery. For this area to be addressed effectively significant engagement with stakeholders is required.

The Consultation will seek to provide information to answer a number of key questions:

- Which aspects of the Vale Library Service are currently most valued by service users?
- How would Library users prioritise key aspects of the Library Service?
- What is likely to increase the number of people using Library Services in the Vale?
- What other Council/Voluntary Sector services could be provided through Vale Libraries in order to increase footfall?
- What would Library users consider to be acceptable charges for some services that are currently provided free of charge?
- What initiatives could be introduced to increase income from our Library space and services?
- How can we reduce the cost of service provision whilst minimising the impact on a very valued Service?
- How do current Library users prefer to access Library Services?
- How would any potential changes in provision affect this?
- How can Vale Library Services be made more accessible to those residents that currently choose not to use them?