

## **COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – NOVEMBER 2016**

### **THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL HAS PUBLISHED ITS IMPROVEMENT PLAN – PART 2 FOR 2016**

The Plan reports on the Council's performance over the previous year, using a range of national and local data. A summary of the Plan is available which provides a taste of the information available in the Plan. Both the Plan and a Summary can be viewed, in English or Welsh, on the [Improvement Plan page](#).

Hard copies of the Plan and Summary will also be made available in Libraries and at Council receptions.

### **SULLY SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**

The bid for development which included 200 houses was rejected by the Vale's Planning Committee. There was controversy over the letters of support for the application. It appears that some letters were not genuine.

### **LANDLORD REGISTRATION**

By 23rd November 2016, all landlords must register themselves and their properties, while all agents and any landlords who also self-manage their properties will need to obtain a licence.

Applications can be made online at [www.rentsmart.gov.wales](http://www.rentsmart.gov.wales) or by calling the Rent Smart Wales helpline on 03000 133344. The online registration takes only 15 minutes to complete but the Licence can take up to 8 weeks to process so landlords are being urged to act quickly and not leave it all until the last minute.

These new legal obligations for landlords and agents were first announced nearly 12 months ago, but so far less than a third of landlords in the Vale have registered with Rent Smart Wales.

### **CROSS COMMON BRIDGE**

We are pleased to report that the pre-construction work involving clearing the vegetation has commenced at Cross Common Road/A4055. Construction work is due to commence this month. The contract period is for approximately 16 weeks. It will involve a new junction to the main road avoiding the stream so there will not be a need for a new bridge. The existing bridge will eventually be closed to traffic.

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