

## COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – DECEMBER 2016

### WAKEBOARDING COULD BE THE FIRST NEW ACTIVITY ON OFFER AT COSMESTON COUNTRY PARK

The Vale wishes to introduce commercial activities at Cosmeston Country Park. The following is a statement from the Vale of Glamorgan Council on the matter:

“Visitors to Cosmeston Country Park could soon be able to dip more than just their toes into the water by trying out one of Britain’s most popular water sports: wakeboarding.”

The first of a range of new activities is to be trialled at Cosmeston as part of the Vale of Glamorgan Council’s plan to secure the future of its country parks. By opening the popular attractions up to a range of new leisure activities, cable wakeboarding could be on offer on the Eastern Lake if plans submitted this week are approved by the Council’s Planning Department.

### YSGOL Y DERI, SULLY ROAD

Ysgol Y Deri, the Vale of Glamorgan Council’s state of the art facility for educating children and young people with special educational needs, has received praise from the School’s Inspectorate Estyn following its inspection. Both the School’s current performance and prospects for improvement were rated as ‘good’, the second highest scoring possible.

The School forms a part of the Penarth Learning Centre along with St Cyres School.

### SECONDARY SCHOOL REORGANISATION

The Vale of Glamorgan Council has published details of the proposed changes to education in Barry involving the creation of two mixed sex secondary schools and an enlargement of Ysgol Bro Morgannwg. The Consultation Period has now commenced.

### POLICE PRECEPT

The Police and Crime Commissioner Alun Michael is proposing to raise the Police Precept by possibly as high as 5%. The current rate of inflation is around 1.3%. There are proposals to increase capital expenditure to **£12,400,000** next year. This will be for:

“Significant investment in information technology”

“Regular replacement of Police vehicles”

Refurbishment of Police buildings “*especially the parts that are old and expensive*”

Chris Franks, Val Hartrey and Keith Hatton