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Dear St Donats Community Council

On behalf of our pilots, medical team and staff at Wales Air Ambulance, I would like to thank you for your donation of £100.00 on 20/11/2025 in response to our appeal.

Your support will enable us to deliver advanced medical care to people across Wales, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

We are the only air ambulance charity based in and dedicated to the people of Wales, and rely entirely on your charitable donations to keep the helicopters in the air and rapid response vehicles on the ground.

The on-board consultants and critical care practitioners are highly skilled and carry some of the most pioneering medical equipment in the world. They can deliver blood transfusions, administer anaesthesia and undertake emergency operations at the scene of the incident, before flying the patient directly to specialist care.

Thank you again for supporting Wales Air Ambulance Charity. Your donations are the only way we can provide this service and continue "Serving Wales, Saving Lives".

Yours sincerely,

Capt. James Grenfell  
Regional Managing Pilot

P.S. Sign up to our newsletter to find out about our recent missions in your area and the difference your support is making across Wales. To sign up visit [www.walesairambulance.com](http://www.walesairambulance.com)

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Rhif Elusen/Charity Number: 1083645

Ambiwlans Awyr Cymru yk enw masnachu. Ymddiriedolaeth Elusenol Ambiwlans Awyr Cymru sydd yn gwmni cyfyngedig cofrestredig yn Lloegr a Chymru gyda'r rhif cofrestredig 04036600 a'r rhif elusen cofrestredig 1083645. Mae ein swyddfa gofrestredig yn Ty Elusen, Ffordd Angel, Llanelli Gate, Dafen, Llanelli, SA14 8LQ.

Wales Air Ambulance Charity is the trading name of Welsh Air Ambulance Charitable Trust, which is a limited company registered in England and Wales (registered no: 04036600). Our registered office is at Ty Elusen, Ffordd Angel, Llanelli Gate, Dafen, Llanelli, SA14 8LQ.



**St Donats Community Council 2025/2026**

<b>Bank Reconciliation at the close of business on 31 March 2026</b>		<b>£3,167.93</b>
Balance per bank statement of Account dated 31 March 2025	C/A	£3,167.93
<b>Balance at Bank dated 31 March 2026</b>		<b>£3,167.93</b>

**Balance per Cash Book at 31 March 2026****St Donats Community Council 2025/2026****Summary of Receipts and Payments**

Balance as at 1 April 2025		£2,576.48
Plus Receipts to 31 March 2026		£5,183.00
Less Payments to 31 March 2026		£4,591.55
<b>Balance as at 31 March 2026</b>		<b>£3,167.93</b>



St Donats Community Council 2025/2026 Audit											
Date	Cheque	Payee	Service	Salaries	S137	Training	Insurance	Tax	Cllr Allow	VAT	TOTAL
15.04.25	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - April	224.24							224.24
15.04.25	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
15.05.25	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - May	224.24							224.24
15.05.25	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
04.06.25	559	H Embling	Internal Auditor	100.00							100.00
04.06.25	560	Vision ICT Ltd	Website hosting and support	134.38							134.38
04.06.25	561	Zunch Municipal	Insurance 2025/26				241.00				241.00
16.06.25	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - June	224.24							224.24
16.06.25	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
15.07.25	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - July	224.24							224.24
15.07.25	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
15.08.25	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - August	224.24							224.24
15.08.25	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
03.09.25	562	Defib World	Electrode Pads	60.99						11.20	72.19
15.09.25	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - September	224.24							224.24
15.09.25	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
15.10.25	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - October	224.24							224.24
15.10.25	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
05.11.25	563	T Jones	Power to Defibrillator	24.22							24.22
05.11.25	564	J Griffin - Clerk	Soc Local Council Clerks Membership	55.00							55.00
05.11.25	565	Valeway	Grant payment		100.00						100.00
05.11.25	566	Wales Air Ambulance	Grant payment		100.00						100.00
17.11.25	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - November	224.24							224.24
17.11.25	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
15.12.25	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - December	224.24							224.24
15.12.25	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
15.01.26	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - January	224.24							224.24
15.01.26	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
16.02.26	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - February	224.24							224.24
16.02.26	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
16.03.26	S/O	J Griffin - Clerk	Salary - March	224.24							224.24
16.03.26	S/O	HMRC	Tax re Clerk					56.00			56.00
		Audit Wales	External Audit 2024/2025	300.00							300.00
		One Voice Wales	Membership renewal	75.00							75.00
31.03.26		<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>2690.88</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>241.00</b>	<b>672.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>38.08</b>	<b>4,591.55</b>

St Donats Community Council Budget 2026/2027									
ACTUAL	ACTUAL	EST ACTUAL	INCOME	PROJECTED	C/TAX + 0	C/TAX + £1	C/TAX + £2	C/TAX + £3	
2023/24	2024/25	2025/26		2026/27					
£ 5,012.00	£ 5,306.00	£ 5,183.00	PRECEPT		£ 5,477.00	£ 5,701.00	£ 5,925.00	£ 6,149.00	
			GRANTS						
			PROJECTS						
<b>£ 5,012.00</b>	<b>£ 5,306.00</b>	<b>£ 5,183.00</b>		<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ 5,477.00</b>	<b>£ 5,701.00</b>	<b>£ 5,925.00</b>	<b>£ 6,149.00</b>	
			<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
£ 2,152.80	£ 2,691.98	£ 2,690.88	CLERK'S SALARY	£ 2,700.00	£ 2,700.00	£ 2,700.00	£ 2,700.00	£ 2,700.00	
£ 496.35	£ 672.94	£ 672.00	HMRC - TAX	£ 700.00	£ 700.00	£ 700.00	£ 700.00	£ 700.00	
£ 299.11	£ 241.00	£ 241.00	INSURANCE	£ 260.00	£ 260.00	£ 260.00	£ 260.00	£ 260.00	
£ 50.00	£ -	£ 200.00	GRANT AID/S137	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	
£ 120.00	£ 187.00	£ 130.00	SUBSCRIPTIONS	£ 150.00	£ 150.00	£ 150.00	£ 150.00	£ 150.00	
£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	INTERNAL AUDIT FEE	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	
£ 134.38	£ 591.32	£ 85.21	ADMINISTRATION	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	
	£ 199.38	£ 134.38	WEBSITE	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	
		£ -	EVENTS	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	
£ 38.50	£ -	£ -	CLLR TRAINING	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	
£ 1,092.00	£ 156.00	£ -	CLLR ALLOWANCES	£ 300.00	£ 300.00	£ 300.00	£ 300.00	£ 300.00	
	£ -		CLLR PRINTING EXPS	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	
			ELECTIONS	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	
£ 200.00	£ 1,145.00	£ 300.00	EXTERNAL AUDIT FEES	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	
<b>£ 4,683.14</b>	<b>£ 5,984.62</b>	<b>£ 4,553.47</b>		<b>£ 5,460.00</b>	<b>£ 5,460.00</b>	<b>£ 5,460.00</b>	<b>£ 5,460.00</b>	<b>£ 5,460.00</b>	
<b>EXPLANATION:</b>									
Column A contains the actual receipts and payments for the financial year 2023/2024									
Column B contains the actual receipts and payments for the financial year 2024/2025									
Column C contains the estimated receipts and payments for the current financial year.									
Column D is a list of the individual items.									
Column E is the estimated receipts and payments for 2026/2027.									
Column F contains the Precept if no increase is made in the levy.									
Column G, H, I and J show the precept which the Council can expect if they increase the levy by £1, £2 and £3.									

Date/Dyddiad 30<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
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Clerk: Mrs J Griffin

## St Donats Community Council

Dear Clerk to the Council

### Town / Community Council Tax Precepts – 2026/2027

I can confirm that Cabinet has approved the Council Tax Base for the year 2026/2027.

To assist you in proceeding with your budget making process I would confirm that a levy of £1.00 would produce **£224.00**.

It would be of assistance if you could notify me of your precept requirements, either by e-mail or in writing, stating the total amount of precept in **monetary terms** that you require by the **31<sup>st</sup> January 2026**.

The Cabinet has also approved a schedule of payments, with one third of the precept paid on the last working day of April 2026, August 2026 and December 2026.

I trust that this letter clarifies the position, but should you require any additional information then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Saunders'.

Andrew Saunders  
Exchequer Manager Exchequer Services

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## Council Tax rates

**Town/Community Council Precept** = the money your local town/community council charges residents to fund local services.

**Town/Community Council charge for Band D** = the money charged by the town or community council for a Band D property, which helps fund local services.

**Total Council Tax for Band D** = the total council tax that a typical Band D property will pay for the year (which includes the town/community council precept)

Area	Town / Community Council Precept		Town / Community Council charge (Band D property)	Total Council Tax (Band D property)
	2025/26	2024/25	2025/26	2025/26
Barry	£1,357,630	£1,297,012	£63.34	£2,097.11
Colwinston	£20,650	£19,861	£53.64	£2,087.41
Cowbridge with Llanblethian	£354,528	£335,495	£117.51	£2,151.28
Dinas Powys	£153,471	£142,672	£37.86	£2,071.63
Ewenny	£24,000	£23,000	£52.75	£2,086.52
Llancarfan	£17,143	£14,960	£34.63	£2,068.40
Llandough	£72,997	£63,952	£74.56	£2,108.33
Llandow	£12,000	£12,000	£27.09	£2,060.86
Llanfair	£5,920	£5,843	£15.06	£2,048.83
Llangan	£11,784	£11,553	£25.07	£2,058.84
Llanmaes	£14,122	£14,514	£56.04	£2,089.81
Llantwit Major	£317,856	£277,406	£72.50	£2,106.27
Michaelston	£7,795	£7,568	£31.95	£2,065.72
Penarth	£1,068,390	£1,031,901	£90.24	£2,124.01
Pendoylan	£9,500	£8,500	£25.89	£2,059.66
Penllyn	£16,250	£14,500	£13.76	£2,047.53
Peterston-Super-Ely	£24,000	£23,500	£43.72	£2,077.49
Rhoose	£0	£0	£0	£2,033.77
St.Athan	£87,800	£85,243	£50.00	£2,083.77
St Brides Major	£34,592	£26,640	£23.00	£2,056.77
St. Donats	£5,183	£5,306	£24.45	£2,058.22
St. Georges and St. Brides-Super-Ely	£7,500	£6,971	£31.12	£2,064.89
St. Nicholas and Bonvilston	£67,770	£67,770	£87.45	£2,121.22
Sully and Lavernock	£99,400	£99,400	£34.89	£2,068.66
Welsh St. Donats	£8,000	£7,000	£24.02	£2,057.79
Wenvoe	£43,333	£40,880	£27.72	£2,061.49
Wick	£9,000	£9,000	£16.27	£2,050.04

**St Donats Community Council**

**1<sup>st</sup> January 2026**

**Points to note when considering the budget and precept:**

- The current levy is £24.45; this is the amount that a Band D property pays to the Community Council as a proportion of its Council Tax.
- If the levy is increased by £1, that will increase the precept by £224.
- The precept in 2025/2026 was £5,183 paid in two instalments of £1,728 and one instalment of £1,727.
- The projected receipts and payments (receipts of £5,183 with projected payments of £4,553.47, excluding VAT which can be reclaimed) has resulted in the Council increasing its reserves from £2,576.48 at the end of March 2025 to a projected figure of £3,167.93 to the end of March 2026.
- Projections for the end of March 2026, show that the Council will not have spent more than the income giving a surplus of £629.53.
- My recommendation to the Council is NOT to increase the levy for the year 2026/2027 but to retain the current levy of £24.45 or even a slight decrease to £22.00.

## Community & Town Councils Biodiversity Action Plan

### Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Part 1 – Section 6 The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty

<b>Name of Community &amp; Town Council:</b>	St Donats Community Council
<b>Council type</b> ( <a href="#">Group 1, 2 or 3 for NRAP Objectives</a> ):	Group 1
<b>Introduction and Context</b>	
<p><i>Provide a short description of the Council, its functions and context in relation to</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>how it could help biodiversity (through functions with regard to land management, grant funding, education activities, for e.g.)</i></li> <li>- <i>spatial scale and place (e.g. how much land does it cover, population, precept?)</i></li> <li>- <i>public service delivery (e.g. is it subject to the Well-being of Future Generations (WFG) Act?)</i></li> </ul> <p>St Donats Community Council is a small Council in the Vale of Glamorgan and is made up of 3 very small villages. The Council owns no land or buildings. The part-time Clerk, employed 18 hours per month, works from home, using a council owned laptop. The Council has 3 notice boards covering its 3 village locations. The precept for 2025/2026 is £5,184. The population is less than 1,000.</p>	

NRAP Objective	Biodiversity objectives	Action planned	Time scale	Monitored by:
1	-embed biodiversity into decision making & procurement	When commenting on planning applications, biodiversity is at the forefront of all observations made to the Unitary Authority. Agendas, minutes and reports forwarded by e-mail, minimal use of postal services. Minimal printing of documents/reports at all times by Councillors and Clerk.	Ongoing " "	Clerk " "

		The Council has carried out litter picking in its area. Three of the Councillors and the Clerk are now Keep Wales Tidy 'Litter Champions' carrying out litter picks from time to time.		
	-raise awareness of biodiversity & its importance			
4	-tackle negative factors: for e.g. reduce pollution, use nature based solutions, address invasive species	Report invasive plants (e.g. Japanese Knotweed) to Unitary Authority as soon as possible.		
6	-support capacity and/or other organisations	Support local groups in bearing biodiversity in mind with their events, projects and actions and when awarding grant monies ensure biodiversity is considered when planning their activity.		

Annual review of the Biodiversity Action Plan		Date reviewed:
What has worked well?	Reduction in printing of documents saving on use of paper and ink.	
What have the barriers been?	None.	
What will you change?	None.	

Next review due:	N/A
Approved by Council on:	



Group	Description of organisation relative to biodiversity.	Minimum Actions	Examples	NRAP objectives for Action Reporting (see template Annex 1)
1	Organisations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>that own or occupy an office building only and</li> <li>whose functions are not directly connected to biodiversity and/or land management.</li> </ul>	Actions related to buildings management, procurement, sustainability, awareness raising, training, or in partnership with other organisations	Commissions, DVLA	NRAP objectives 1, 4, 6
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>that own, occupy or manage land their own buildings and grounds,</li> <li>whose functions are connected with biodiversity and/or land management, or</li> <li>that can influence those who own or manage land.</li> </ul>	As per Group 1 above PLUS grounds management, cascading funding criteria, providing education and training	Public Health Wales, Universities, Sport Wales	NRAP objectives 1, 4, 6 as above NRAP objectives 2, 3, 5 relating to own grounds
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>that own or manage land beyond their own grounds, whether their functions are connected with biodiversity and/or land management or not.</li> </ul>	As per Groups 1 and 2 above PLUS land management to maintain and enhance biodiversity, and promote the resilience of ecosystems.	Dŵr Cymru, Local Authorities, NRW, Welsh Government	All NRAP objectives

The **Nature Recovery Action Plan for Wales (NRAP)** sets out six objectives for reversing the decline of biodiversity which should be used to help develop and guide actions to comply with the section 6 duty:

The **6 objectives** to maintain and enhance biodiversity are:

**Objective 1:** Engage and support participation and understanding to embed biodiversity throughout decision making at all levels

**Objective 2:** Safeguard species and habitats of principal importance and improve their management

**Objective 3:** Increase the resilience of our natural environment by restoring degraded habitats and habitat creation

**Objective 4:** Tackle key pressures on species and habitats

**Objective 5:** Improve our evidence, understanding and monitoring

**Objective 6:** Put in place a framework of governance and support for delivery