

MINUTES of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of Mumbles Community Council held on Tuesday 12 November 2013 in the Council Offices, Walters Crescent, Mumbles

THESE MINUTES ARE AS YET UNCONFIRMED

395.11.13 Chairman: Councillor H. Mitchell
Councillors: B. Arthur, J. Beach, A. Colburn, J. Cooper, D. Dorsett, T. Duffy, P. Erasmus, M. Jones, G. Kaminaris, E. Morgan, T. Scales & M. Thomas

Apologies: Councillor: V. Bevan & L. Tyler-Lloyd

No Apologies: Councillors: P. Birch & R. Speht

396.11 TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL INTEREST FROM MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT ADOPTED BY THIS COUNCIL ON 8TH APRIL 2008

Cllr Duffy declared a personal & prejudicial interest in Item 417.11 and Item 426.11 (Invoice number 2857)

Cllrs Colburn & Beach declared a personal & prejudicial interest in Item: 425.11 (Invoice 2856) as officials of the Royal British Legion, Mumbles & South Gower Branch.

Cllr Beach declared a personal interest in item 417.11 as a member of Twinning Association of Mumbles.

Cllrs Jones, Mitchell & Thomas declared personal interests in Item: 425.11 (Invoice 2856) as members of the RBL Mumbles & South Gower Branch.

Cllr Arthur declared a personal interest in Planning Applications 2013/1474 & 2013/1515

Cllr Scales declared a personal & prejudicial interest in Item 426.11 (Invoice number 2857)

Cllr Erasmus declared a personal interest in Item 418.11 as she is: A proud Welsh woman & attended one meeting, 6months ago, of DT100

397.11 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 8 October 2013

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held on 8 October 2013 be accepted as a correct record save for the reference in it item 356.10 should read '382.10'.

Clerk's Report

398.11 The letter listing was circulated.

Chairman's Report

- 399.11** A bouquet of flowers and a card was presented to Mrs. Ellie Cookson on 22nd October 2013 on the occasion of her 100th birthday. A photographer from the Evening Post took photographs, and Mrs. Cookson was featured in the Evening Post on 2 occasions, but it was very disappointing that the Mumbles Community Council was not given a mention.
- 400.11** Another bouquet of flowers was also sent to Mrs. Irene Alexander to mark the occasion of her 100th birthday, albeit belated.
- 401.11** The Chairman sent a sympathy card from the Mumbles Community Council to the family of Mr Stephen Newbury
- 402.11** Along with other councillors, the Chairman attended the opening of the Oyster Festival, on the evening of the 17th October 2013, which was a great success. The Chairman noted that the Mumbles Community Council was not given any thanks for our contribution to the Mumbles Development Trust. All other contributors were mentioned.
- 403.11** The Chairman attended the Inauguration of Bill Barrington as the new President of the Mumbles and South Gower Branch of the Royal British Legion. The event was held at the Mansion House.
- 404.11** The Chairman attended the Remembrance Day Service, last Sunday, 10th November 2013, held at All Saints Church, Mumbles, and felt honoured to be asked to do a reading at the service, in addition to the laying of the Wreath. She thanked Councillor Tony Colburn, who is the Chairman of the Royal British Legion Branch, for his hard work in organising the event and the splendid buffet that followed.
- 405.11** It is with sadness that the Chairman announced the passing of Mrs. Pat Thomas. Mrs Thomas was for many years the 'lollypop lady' for Mayals School, where she was affectionately known as 'Auntie Pat'. She was awarded the Honour of Mumbles, by the Mumbles Community Council in October 2005, for her long commitment as a lollypop lady
- 406.11** Council agreed that the Chairman should accept her invitation to the Naming Ceremony and Service of Dedication of the lifeboat, *Mark Lott* to be held on this coming Thursday, 14th November.
- 407.11** Council agreed that the Vice-Chairman should represent MCC at the 'Bells of Santiago Book Launch' to be held on Tuesday, 10th December 2013 at Swansea Museum.
- 408.11** Council agreed that the Chairman should accept her invitation from the Mumbles Ladies Lifeboat Guild, to be their guest at their Carol Concert 'A Village Celebration of Christmas' on Sunday 15th December 2013 at All Saints Church, Mumbles

Planning Applications

409.11 Cllrs Colburn. & Thomas left the meeting room.

410.11 2013/1366 - 27 Slade Road, Newton

OBJECTION – The visual impact gives an over-bearance to the adjoining properties and the raising of the footings by 1 meter will cause loss of privacy to all surrounding properties.

411.11 2013/1478 – Land adjacent to 24 Southerndown Avenue, Mayals

OBJECTION – Visual impact on the surrounding area..

412.11 2013/1556 - The Old House, 2 Slade Road, Newton

OBJECTION – Object to the felling of healthy tree, but would support any lopping that needs to take place, if the C&CS tree officer agrees.

413.11 2013/1481 – 578 Mumbles Road, Mumbles

OBJECTION – Visual impact on front of property from Mumbles Road. Out of keeping with adjoining properties. Also causing an imbalance to neighbouring properties.

414.11 2013/038 - Land adjacent to Westwinds, Langland

OBJECTION – Visual impact from Langland Bay. Established tree line in the Langland Conservation Area. Protected by wildlife as in badgers sets and bat habitat. Extra burden on Sewage. Concern over land slippage on such a sleep slope. Visual impact on AONB.

415.11 All other planning applications were passed as 'No Objection'.

416.11 Cllrs Colburn & Thomas returned to the meeting room.

417.11 Outside Bodies

PROPOSED that individual meetings are held between the Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Clerk with representatives of the following outside bodies: - Mumbles Sports & Community Club, Mumbles Tourist Association, Mumbles Traders, Mumbles Development Trust and Mumbles Twinning Association in order to regularise MCC's relationship with them.

Proposed by Cllr Anthony Colburn & Seconded by Cllr Brian Arthur

After discussion the item was with **WITHDRAWN**.

418.11 Dylan Thomas Centenary

PROPOSED that Mumbles Community Council put aside a sum of £5000 to support activities celebrating the Dylan Thomas centenary taking place in the Council area.

Proposed by Pamela Erasmus & Seconded by David Dorsett

RESOLVED to refer to the either the Events or the F&GP Committee

Items from the F&GP Committee

419.11 Underhill

Letter from Martin Rodwell (Mumbles Rugby Club) formed part of the Agenda Pack.

RESOLVED that a grant of £2,500 be paid.

Financial Report – Invoices for Approval & Bank Balances

	Chq No:	Payee	Purpose	Net	VAT	Gross
420.11	2851	One Voice Wales	Conference delegates	£150.00	£0.00	£150.00
421.11	2852	City & County of Swansea	Posters etc Older People's	£228.00	£33.60	£261.60
422.11	2853	Filmbank Distributors Ltd	Licence for film show	£83.00	£16.60	£99.60
423.11	2854	Clive Atkins & Co	Payroll Services	£30.00	£6.00	£36.00
424.11	2855	Cheers Wine Merchants Ltd	Wine for Older Peoples'	£120.00	£0.00	£120.00
425.11	2856	Royal British Legion,	Storage 1.4.11- 30.09.13	£3,092.0	£0.00	£3,092.00
426.11	2857	Mumbles Tourist	Gower Walking Festival -	£30.00	£0.00	£30.00
427.11	2858	John Powell	Two lectures	£60.00	£0.00	£60.00
428.11	2859	Cllr David Dorset	Expenses Claim	£40.55	£0.00	£40.55
429.11	2860	Kelway	Camera	£504.99	£101.00	£605.99
430.11	2861	Newton Village Hall	Hall Hire - Older Peoples'	£32.00	£0.00	£32.00
431.11	2662	Western Power Distribution	Electricity Connection	£503.11	£100.62	£603.73
432.11	2863	Clerk	Salary	£979.80	£0.00	£979.80
433.11	2864	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax and National Insurance	£338.09	£0.00	£338.09
434.11	2865	Elinor Heydon	Cleaning of Office	£43.34	£0.00	£43.34
435.11	2866	Elinor Heydon	Cleaning of Office	£43.34	£0.00	£43.34
436.11	2867	Elinor Heydon	Cleaning of Office	£43.34	£0.00	£43.34
437.11	2868	Elinor Heydon	Cleaning of Office	£43.34	£0.00	£43.34
438.11	2869	Judith Porch	Honour of Mumbles Scroll	£35.00	£0.00	£35.00
439.11	2670	City & County of Swansea	Neat Team Inactive/MCC	£6,000.0	£1,200.00	£7,200.00
440.11	2671	G. J. Issac & Son Ltd	Repainting War Memorial	£47.40	£7.60	£94.80
441.11	2672	Apogee Corporation	Photocopying	£33.46	£6.69	£40.15
Cheques numbered 2856 (Royal British Legion) & 2865/66/67/68 (Elinor Heydon) were disputed & referred to the F&GP for a report.						
442.11		Current Account				8,922.48
		Christmas Lights Account				1,287.50
		Deposit Account				80,132.06

Items from the IT & Publications Committee

443.11 New MCC Camera

RESOLVED that each Committee has their own allocated SD card (at a cost of £4 each) and sign the Camera in/out with the Clerk when the camera is required. Maximum period 48 hours unless approved for longer.

444.11 Mumbles Diary

Timely's Event Calendar software has been installed on a website and can be found on www.mumblesdiary.info. As currently the TIC produce the paper version of the Mumbles Diary and it therefore makes sense for them to also update the e-version, therefore:

RESOLVED that the TIC be approached regarding 'updating' mumblesdiary.info. (Due to our insurance, the updates would have to be sent to MCC to 'publish' them and the software allows for this capability.)

445.11 iPads/Tablets

Budget of £1000 is still available for 2013/14.

RESOLVED that the Clerk to write to Communities 2.0 to ask for advice on the most useful and cost effective units and arrange a trial use.

Items from the Highways Committee

446.11 Plunch Lane:-

Double yellow lines, bottom of Plunch Lane.

Cllr. A. Colburn, as CCS, been dealing, and reported that the existing white lines (for pedestrians use) were ineffective. It was not possible to install kerb stones. Double yellow lines under consideration at the moment. (There have been complaints made by residents for improved safety, and arguments been put forward to CCS)

RESOLVED:- MCC request costings for:

- a. Double yellow lines
- b. Coloured tarmac paint

447.11 Castle Road: - Double yellow lines.

Site visit has taken place between Cllr A. Colburn, as CCS, and Alan Ferris, Highways, CCS. Alan Ferris suggested double yellow lines on the Lime Kiln side of Castle Road., opposite the houses, at the narrow point, extending as far as the 20mph sign. C&CS happy to install, but do not have the budget. Cost would be £1500.

RESOLVED that MCC write to the C&CS Councillor asking for a funding contribution

Items from the Development Committee

448.11 Village Green Signs

Quotations formed part of the Agenda Pack.

RESOLVED that the quote from Charterbrook Signs be accepted.

449.11 Christmas Tree at West Cross

RESOLVED that retrospective approval be given to the following expenditure - £600 from Williams & Saunders for the tree; £603.73 from Western Power for the supply and £1,044 from Phillips Services for the consumer unit.

450.11 War Memorial - Repaint

RESOLVED that retrospective approval be given to the expenditure of £94.86 for the repainting.

Items from the Community Planning Committee

451.11 Local Development Plan

RESOLVED that

- a) That MCC retrospectively approves the communication between MCC and CCS regarding a request for, and agreement to, an extension of time to 20th November 2013 in order to allow Council to consider its formal response to the draft LDP strategy proposals.
- b) That MCC approves the appointment of CDN Planning to provide MCC's strategy response to the LDP strategy proposals.
- c) That MCC opposes the LDP outline strategy proposal for the MCC area which indicates the edge of settlement development should be allowed at Thistle boon and/or West Cross. MCC's rationale for its response is contained in the LDP strategy response document distributed prior to the meeting.
- d) That MCC formally submits its proposals for land in CCS ownership surrounding Oystermouth Castle (OY0008), the area of the promenade from Blackpill to the edge of Oystermouth Square, (WC0006) including the built environment of that area as part of its response to the current consultation for the proposed expansion of the Mumbles Conservation Area.
- e) Request full LDP documentation for Oystermouth, Newton, Mayals and West Cross wards from CCS Planning Policy Team which they agreed to provide to MCC on the 7th October 2013 at the Ostreme Centre and which has not been received to date

Meeting Closed at 8.33pm