

MINUTES of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of Mumbles Community Council held on Tuesday 8 December 2015 in the Council Offices, Walters Crescent, Mumbles

475.12.15 Chairman: Councillor H. Mitchell
Councillors: B. Arthur, A. Colburn, M. Colburn, D. Dorsett, P. Erasmus, M. Griffiths, M. Jones, G. Kaminaris, E. Morgan, T. Scales & J. Twining

Apologies: Councillor: J. Beach, J. Cooper, T. Duffy, L. Tyler-Lloyd & P. Whittaker

476.12 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 Arthur declared a personal interest in planning application 2015/2204, as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Mary Colburn declared a personal interest in planning application 2015/2150, as she knows the applicant.

Cllr Mitchell declared a personal interest in planning applications 2015/2151 & 2015/2204, as she knows the applicants.

Cllr Scales declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 493.12, as he is a director of the trust and left the meeting when the item was discussed.

477.12 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 10 November 2015

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held on 10 November 2015 be accepted as a true record.

Clerk's Report

478.12 The Clerk advised Council that no one had called for an election to fill the vacancy brought about by the resignation of Cllr Birch.

AGREED to defer co-option until the next meeting.

479.12 The Clerk advised Council that a freedom of information request had been received in respect of all information held by the Council since 2009 regarding the site of the former Royal British Legion Club.

480.12 The Clerk advised the Council that he will be on holiday for the two weeks of Christmas and the office would re-open to the public on Monday 4 January 2016.

481.12 The Clerk advised that he had received two gifts – a book of Matt cartoons and a £20 M&S voucher - from the campaigners for a Picket Mead Village Green after he had helped them photocopy their papers ready for the Inquiry as instructed by Council. He had taken advice from the Society of Local Council Clerk's (SLCC's) who advised that it would be okay to keep the small book, but suggested the money in respect of the voucher be used towards buying reference book(s) for the Council. The Clerk advised the Council that he has accepting the SLCC's advise.

482.12 The letters listing was circulated

Chairman's Report

483.12 The Chairman reported that since last month she had not attended any formal functions on behalf of the Council.

The Chairman drew to the Council's attention: i. the successful Christmas Lights Switch On, thanking the ATC for their help with MCC's pop-up and distributing our newsletters; ii. Compliments received from the public on Christmas Trees; iii. Vandalism to the tree in Oystermouth which has been reported to the police.

484.12 The Chairman told Council that she had not received any formal invitations for next month.

Planning Applications

485.12 Cllr A. Colburn left the meeting room.

486.12 **2015/2150** – 23 Mary Twill Lane, Mumbles
OBJECTION –Visual impact from ANOB. New access road is across a greenfield site, and cutting across Drover's Lane. Impact on houses in Westwind and Linkside Drive. Badger setts in the area..

487.12 All other planning applications were passed as either 'Support C&CS planning/tree officer/no decision' or 'No Objection'.

488.12 Cllr A. Colburn returned to the meeting room.

489.02 Proposed Amendment to Standing Orders: Election of Chairman

We propose that standing order 2.c (1) be replaced by:

"Nomination of Councillors for election to the office of Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Council must be made in writing to the Clerk of the Council not less than five working days before the date of the Annual Meeting and shall be endorsed with the consent of the candidate standing for election. No other method of nomination will be possible."

Proposed by Cllr B. Arthur. Seconded by Cllr H. Mitchell

ACTION - Under MCC's Standing Orders (71) a resolution permanently to add, vary or revoke a Standing Order shall when proposed and seconded, stand adjourned without discussion to the next meeting of the Council.

Items from the F&GP Committee

490.02 Circular requesting grant from British Red Cross

RESOLVED that this be noted.

491.12 Payments to Members of Community & Town Councils

Following the annual report of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales, Mumbles Community Council must determine which, if any, or the 'permissive powers' it wishes to use. The relevant extract from the report has been sent to all councillors.

RESOLVED that as some councilors had not received the paperwork this matter be referred back to the next meeting of Council.

492.12 Large Grant Request from Mumbles Development Trust

Their application formed part of the Agenda Pack.

RESOLVED that no grant be made.

493.12 Grant Request from Sculpture by the Sea

Their application formed part of the Agenda Pack

RESOLVED that a grant of £1,000 be made in the financial year 2015/16

494.12 Large Grant –General Information Bureau

Their letter formed part of the Agenda Pack

RESOLVED that, with regret, MCC do not support the request.

Financial Report

Invoices Approved						
	Chq No:	Payee	Purpose	Net (£)	VAT (£)	Gross (£)
495.12	3253	VOID Cheque				£0.00
496.12	3254	Victoria Lewis	Tea Dance	£230.00	£0.00	£230.00
497.12	3255	Seaside Office Supplies	Posters and tickets	£101.60	£20.32	£121.92
498.12	3256	Void Cheque				£0.00
499.12	3257	Gable Events Ltd	Deposit for It's a	£750.00	£150.00	£900.00
500.12	3258	Cash Hardware Stores	Garden products for	£1,400.00	£0.00	£1,400.00
501.12	3259	Society of Local Council	Membership	£149.00	£0.00	£149.00
502.12	3260	City & County of Swansea	Design Print School's	£172.00	£0.00	£172.00
503.12	3261	Society of Local Council	Purchase of Book	£72.30	£0.00	£72.30
504.12	3262	Clive Atkins & Co Ltd	Payroll Services	£30.00	£6.00	£36.00
505.12	3263	Lewis News	South Wales Evening	£32.75	£0.00	£32.75
506.12	3264	Steve Heydon	Salary	£1,005.40	£0.00	£1,005.40

507.12	3265	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax & NI	£143.52	£0.00	£143.52
508.12	3266	Steve Heydon	Expenses Claim -	£124.10	£0.00	£124.10
509.12	3267	Steve Heydon	Expenses Claim -	£220.79	£47.03	£267.82

510.12	Account Balances					
		Current Account				TBC
		Deposit Account				TBC

Items from the Development Committee

511.12 Mumbles in Bloom 2016/Wales in Bloom

RESOLVED that the budget and responsibility for arranging this event and this entry, along with all floral decorations, including wild flower displays are transferred to the Highways Committee.

512.12 Chess Tables

RESOLVED that a chess topped picnic table be installed alongside Ripples Ice Cream Parlour.

Items from the Marketing & Media Committee

513.12 Newsletter Distribution

To discuss report on the bids for Newsletter Distribution

RESOLVED to refer this back to the Marketing & Media Committee

Items from the Highways Committee

514.12 Traffic Islands, Mayals Road

Quote of £932.08, for reflective strips, received from C&CS. This cost includes the 3 traffic islands on Mayals Road. As safety is paramount, agreed to instruct C&CS to proceed with the work asap.

RESOLVED that retrospective permission to proceed with work be given.

Meeting closed at 8.16pm