

**MINUTES** of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of Mumbles Community Council held on Tuesday 11 February 2014 in the Council Offices, Walters Crescent, Mumbles

#### THESE MINUTES ARE AS YET UNCONFIRMED

**041.02.** Chairman: Councillor H. Mitchell

14 Councillors: B. Arthur, P. Birch, A. Colburn, J. Cooper, T. Duffy,

M. Jones, G. Kaminaris, E. Morgan, T. Scales, M. Thomas,

L. Tyler-Lloyd & P. Whittaker.

Apologies: Councillor: J. Beach, V. Bevan, D. Dorsett & P. Erasmus

No Apologies: Councillor: R. Speht

# 042.02 TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL INTEREST FROM MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT ADOPTED BY THIS COUNCIL ON 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2008

**Clir Jones** declared personal interests in items 055.02 Petition to Save Day Centres and a personal and 056.02 Grant Request from Oystermouth School.

# 043.02 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held 14 January 2014

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held on 14 January 2014 be accepted as a correct record.

## 044.02 Minutes of the Special Meeting held 29 January 2014

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 29 January 2014 be accepted as a correct record.

## Clerk's Report

**045.02** The letter listing was circulated.

#### **Chairman's Report**

- **046.02** The Chairman had not attended any events on behalf of the Council nor had she received any invitations.
- **047.02** The Chairman asked for a minutes silence to mark the death of former Mumbles Community Councillor, Lilian Pritchard.

## **Planning Applications**

- **048.02** Cllrs Colburn, Thomas & Tyler-Lloyd left the meeting room.
- **049.02 2014/0026** Land in front of Langland's Brasserie Ltd, Brynfield Road **OBJECTION** Visual impact on the AONB. Concern re hot food and drink (hot and alcoholic) being carried over the coastal footpath. Health and safety issues.
- **050.02 2014/0040** 95 Mumbles Road, West Cross **OBJECTION** Visual impact of the rear balcony and balustrade from the coastal footpath and impact on 'Ripples' Café.
- **051.02 2014/0005** Land to the rear of 11 Llys Le Breos, Mayals **OBJECTION** There is a clear defined boundary between St Andrews Close and Llys Le Breos. The parcel of land has always been on Liberty Properties Development of St Andrews Close.
- **052.02** All other planning applications were passed as 'No Objection'.
- **053.02** Cllr Arthur advised Council that there is a planning consultation being undertaken. He said that because of the timescales it has proven impossible for MCC to respond in time and suggested that Councillors complete the form as individuals.
- **054.02** Cllrs Colburn, Thomas & Tyler-Lloyd returned to the meeting room.

## 055.02 Petition to Save our Day Centres

# **RESOLOVED** that:

- 1. Mumbles Community Council Supports the Campaign to save our Day Centres
- 2. MCC to deliver the petition

## **Items from the F&GP Committee**

# 056.02 Request for Grant from Oystermouth School

Their letter formed part of the Agenda Pack

**RESOLVED** that a grant of £150 be made.

# Financial Report – Invoices for Approval & Bank Balances

	Chq No:	Payee	Purpose	Net	VAT	Gross
057.02	2906	Parish Online	Mapping Services	£170.00	£34.00	£204.00
058.02	2907	CDN Planning	Advice re Mumbles	£662.60	£132.52	£795.12
059.02	2908	City & County of	Improvement to Civic	£5,525.00	£1,105.00	£6,630.00
060.02	2909	Apogee Corporation	Photocopying	£38.76	£7.75	£46.51
061.02	2910	Clerk	Salary	£979.80	£0.00	£979.80
062.02	2911	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax and National	£238.95	£0.00	£238.95

063.02	2912	Bytemedia	Web Hosting	£80.00	£16.00	£96.00	
064.02	2913	Phillips Services (Wales)	Erection/Display of	£2,895.00	£579.00	£3,474.00	
065.02		Phillips Services (Wales)	Lamp Post Mounted	£3,306.00	£661.20	£3,967.20	
066.02	2914	Npower	Not approved - Being Queried				
067.02	2915	City & County of Swansea	Contribution to Mumbles	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00	
068.02		Current Account				28,533.33	
		Christmas Lights Account				1,287.50	
		Deposit Account				70,139.30	

#### **Items from the IT & Publications Committee**

## 069.02 Cllr Whittaker

**RESOLVED** that Cllr Whittaker be appointed to the IT & Publications Committee

# 070.02 Mumbles.gov.uk - Disclaimer

Draft disclaimer forms part of the Agenda Pack

**RESOLVED** that this be referred back next meeting of Council

#### 071.02 MCC Newsletter

The provisional timetable formed part of the Agenda Pack

**RESOLVED** that this be referred back next meeting of Council

#### **072.02** Photographs of Council Members

**RESOLVED** that dates be arranged for photographs to be taken and published on the MCC website.

#### **Items from the Development Committee**

## 073.02 Purchase of a Basket Swing for Playground

**RESOLVED** that a basket Swing be purchased at a maximum cost of £3500.

## **Items from the Highways Committee**

# **074.02** Change of Route for the 3A Bus

First Cymru have decided to cease the route around Moorside Road and Woodland Avenue due to parked cars. This action would cause great hardship to the older generation who regularly use this service. In addition, Moorside Road has one of the few Bus Shelters on the route. This service is due to cease on Monday, 3 March 2014.

**RESOLVED** that MCC to write a letter to First Cymru, objecting to this decision.

#### 075.02 Easter Bus Service

**RESOLVED** that MCC to write a letter to First Cymru requesting 'normal service' be provided over Easter, as this is a busy time in the village.

## **Items from the Policy Committee**

# 076.02 Appointment of Peter Lynn, Solicitors

Previous Council Solicitor Huw James has now retired. Peter Lynn, Solicitors have an office in Mumbles and are willing to act as MCC's solicitor.

**RESOLVED** that Peter Lyn's Terms & Conditions be circulated before a final decision is made.

# 077.02 Storage of MCC Archives

The tenant who rents the store in The Glade, off Queens Road, asked MCC to vacate the premises. This was done without the knowledge of the owner. The situation has now been resolved and MCC records are to be moved to a storage facility in Slade Road, Newton.

**RESOLVED** that an agreement be drawn up between MCC and David Meyrick, owner of the storage facility in Slade Road.

#### **078.02** Letter Box

When the office is unattended, the mail is left in the foyer which is open to the public.

**RESOLVED** that a letter box be fitted onto the side panel of the office door at a cost of £100.

#### 079.02 Box of Tambourines

A box of Tambourines was delivered to the office last year. It is not known who ordered them. The Clerk has contacted the sender on a number of occasions but has not had a response.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk contact the supplier, allowing 10 days to collect, or MCC will arrange disposal of the contents

## **Items from the Personnel Committee**

## 080.02 Office Cleaner

**RECOMMEND** that retrospective approval to be given to the following actions.

i. Clerk advertise position of cleaner in the South Wales Evening Post

- ii. Display an advert for the position on the 4 notice boards, i.e.
  - Outside the MCC office
  - The 2 notice boards in West Cross
  - The 1 notice board in Newton

# 081.02 Clerk Working from Home

The Clerk stated that more work could be done from home, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, than in the office. Although the office is closed to the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the front door now has to be left open for the Gallery, next door, and members of the public can still knock on MCC door, thus disturbing the Clerk.

#### **RESOLVED that:**

- i. Clerk work from home on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- **ii.** The number and nature of calls to the office received on Tuesdays and Thursdays be monitored for two months and a report be prepared for the Personnel Committee to consider

# Meeting Closed at 8.05pm