

**MINUTES** of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of Mumbles Community Council held on Tuesday 12 January 2016 in the Minor Hall, Ostreme Centre, Mumbles

**001.01.16** Chairman: Councillor H. Mitchell  
Councillors: B. Arthur, J. Beach, A. Colburn, M. Colburn, J. Cooper, D. Dorsett, T. Duffy, P. Erasmus, M. Jones, G. Kaminaris, T. Scales & J. Twining

Apologies: Councillor: M. Griffiths, L. Tyler-Lloyd & P. Whittaker

**002.01 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**

**Cllr Duffy** declared a personal interest in planning application 2015/2496 as she knows the applicant.

**Cllr Cooper** declared a personal interest in planning application 2015/2448 as the applicant is a neighbour.

**003.01 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 8 December 2015**

**AGREED** that these be deferred to the next meeting of Council due to the delay in receiving them.

**Clerk's Report**

**004.01** The Clerk's report was, in his absence, given by the Chairman of the Council.

**005.01** The Clerk reported that although he had been under the weather he has been working his usual 22 hours/week since his official return to work on Monday 4 January 2016 from his home office.

**006.01** The Clerk thanked Cllr Anthony Colburn for dealing with all the problems resulting from the flooding of the office. He confirmed that Cllr Colburn had managed to get a specialist firm to rip up the carpet and put in humidifiers; arranged for the freeholder to make repairs to the wooden flooring, revealed as necessary when the carpets were removed; and asked carpet fitters for quotes and samples.

He also thanked Cllrs Arthur and Mitchell for their help and support, whilst he had been working from home.

**007.01** The Clerk advised that there would be a Budget Committee Meeting on Wednesday 20 January 2016 at 7pm and on Wednesday 27 July 2016 at 6pm. There will be a Special Meeting of Council on Wednesday 27 January 2016 at 7pm.

**008.01** The letters listing was circulated

### **Chairman's Report**

**009.01** The Chairman thanked Cllrs Arthur, who discovered the flood and Cllr Colburn, who immediately 'swung into action'. Without their efforts the whole office could have become saturated with water. She advised Council that it would be some weeks before the office could re-open.

**010.01** The Chairman drew to the Council's attention that the Christmas tree in Oystermouth had been tampered with for the second time, and the lights were again damaged. After consulting her Vice Chairman, she instructed Phillips Services to switch off the lights. To date, there has been no news or update from the Police.

**011.01** The Chairman welcome back Cllr John Beach, who although being far from fully recovered, had attend the meeting.

She advised Council that Cllr. Mike Griffiths was still incapacitated, and wished him well and hoped his recovery was just around the corner.

**012.01** The Chairman reported that since last month she had not attended any formal functions on behalf of the Council, nor had she received any formal invitations for next month.

### **Planning Applications**

**013.01** Cllr A. Colburn left the meeting room.

**014.01** **2015/2300** - Tidal Lagoon (Swansea Bay) plc. Wall adj. The Promenade, The Mumbles  
**OBJECTION** – (1) No flood risk technical assessment (2) No environmental assessment on the impact of the wall (3) The area from Blackpill to Knab Rock is SSSI (4) The area from Blackpill to Knab Rock has been requested to be a 'Green Space' by MCC in the LDP (5) Request a representative to speak to MCC and defer the Application.

**015.01** **2015 / 2422** - 15 Langland Bay Road, Langland  
**OBJECTION** - New build out of keeping with adjoining premises. Visual impact on Langland Bay vista. Impact on coastal footpath and overbearing impact on chalets. Within conservation area. Impact on AONB.

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

**017.01** Cllr Arthur reported that there was no update on the former RBL site.

**018.01** Cllr A. Colburn returned to the meeting room.

**019.01** **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** - The proposal to be referred to F&GP committee to review the proposed amendment to Standing Order 2.c (1).

### Financial Report

<b>Invoices Approved</b>						
	Chq No:	Payee	Purpose	Net (£)	VAT (£)	Gross (£)
<b>020.01</b>	3268	Victoria Lewis	Tea Dance	£290.00	£0.00	£290.00
<b>021.01</b>	3269	Ostreme Community	Hall Hire	£84.00	£0.00	£84.00
<b>022.01</b>	3270	Steve Heydon	Salary	£1,005.60	£0.00	£1,005.60
<b>023.01</b>	3271	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax & NI	£143.32	£0.00	£143.32
<b>024.01</b>	3272	Seaside Office Supplies	Stationery & Postage	£257.45	£51.49	£308.94
<b>025.01</b>	3273	Seaside Office Supplies	Photocopying	£14.40	£2.88	£17.28
<b>026.01</b>	3274	Commercial Marquee Hire	Tables & Chairs	£60.00	£12.00	£72.00
<b>027.01</b>	3275	Phillips Services (Wales) Ltd	Christmas Trees & Lights	£17,168.25	£3,433.65	£20,601.90
<b>028.01</b>	3276	NALC	Reference Book	£64.99	£0.00	£64.99
<b>029.01</b>	3277	Apogee	Photocopying	£21.45	£4.29	£25.74
<b>030.01</b>	<b>Account Balances</b>					
		Current Account				£35,184.55
		Deposit Account				£85,184.55

### Items from the Policy Committee

#### 031.01 Car Parking Sites/Streetlife Input

A proposal that MCC take legal advice from Peter Lynn, Solicitors was put the Council and a named vote was requested.

For: Councillors: A. Colburn & M. Jones  
 Against: Councillors: M. Colburn, J. Cooper, D. Dorsett, T. Duffy,  
 P. Erasmus, G. Kaminaris, H. Mitchell & T. Scales  
 Abstained: Councillors: B. Arthur & J. Twining

The proposal was therefore **REJECTED**.

**RESOLVED** that as the matter had already been referred to the planning committee no further action need by the Clerk in relation to updating the Council on the planning stages of the RBL site.

### **032.01 Clerk's Job Description**

Chairman closed the meeting without discussion on this item.

**Meeting closed at 8.20pm**