



Before the meeting Cllr Arthur welcomed Cllr John Buckland Davies to the Council.

MINUTES of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of Mumbles Community Council held on Tuesday 13 April 2010 at 7pm in the Council Offices, Walters Crescent, Mumbles

THESE MINUTES ARE AS YET UNCONFIRMED

- 118.04.10 Present:** Chairman: Councillor B. Arthur
Councillors: J. Beach, V. Bevan, R. Beynon, P. Birch, A. Colburn, J. Cooper, J. Buckland Davies, J. Griffiths, A. Hinton, M. Jones, P. Jones, H. Mitchell, L. Pritchard, P. Skinner, P. Swinnerton & A. Wilson
- 119.04 Apologies** Councillor: L. Tyler-Lloyd
- 120.04 No Apologies** None

121.04 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.

Cllrs B. Arthur, J. Beach, V. Bevan, R. Beynon, P. Birch, A. Colburn, J. Cooper, J. Buckland Davies, A. Hinton, M. Jones, P. Jones H. Mitchell, L. Pritchard, P. Skinner, P. Swinnerton & A. Wilson – Planning Application 2010/0493 – Personal Interest by Association.

Cllr J. Griffiths – Planning Application 2010/0493 personal and prejudicial interest as owner.

Cllr J. Griffiths – Planning Application 2010/0395 – as neighbour.

122.04 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 9 March 2010

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held on 9 March 2010 be accepted as a correct record.

Clerk's Report

- 123.04** Clerk reminded councillors that the AGM was fast approaching and that nominations for Chairman and Vice-Chairman and any motions for the AGM should be submitted by 27 April 2010.
- 124.04** Clerk took orders for the folder he has produced (originally for new councillors).
- 125.04** The letters listing was circulated.
- 126.04** Clerk advised Council that he wished to take annual leave for 3 days from Wednesday 14 April 2010.

Chairman's Report

127.04 Since the last Council meeting the Chairman had attended two official engagements:

1. 16 March 2010 – Community & Town Council Forum at the Civic Centre
2. 6 April 2010 – The Opening Ceremony of Newton Church Hall

Planning Applications

128.04 Cllr Colburn withdrew from the Meeting Room.

129.04 Cllr Griffiths left the room when planning items 2010/0391 and 2010/0493 were being discussed.

130.04 **2010/0332** – Mermaid Cottage, Caswell Road, Caswell
Objection – Built 1890. Out of keeping with existing properties. Over looking neighbours I. Larger footprint. Narrow access. Joint Driveway, Trees may have to be removed.

131.04 **2010/0367** – 140 Murton Lane, Newton
Objection – Greenwedge – EV21. Contrary to EV22 green space protection, Rural area, unauthorised access.

132.04 **2010/0425** – Land adjacent to 24 Southerndown Avenue, Mayals
Objection – Out of keeping with existing dwellings. Large footprint.

133.04 All other planning applications for this period were passed as 'no objection'.

134.04 Cllr Colburn returned to the Meeting Room.

135.04 Tree Officer's Report

The Tree Officer had reported the vandalism of some trees in Underhill Park

F&GP COMMITTEE

Recommendations by the F&GP Committee

136.04 **Renewal of Membership of One Voice Wales - £2,092**

RESOLVED that this be renewed.

137.04 **Letter from Edwina Hart AM**

Letter suggesting meeting with her and Donna Algie of Mumbles Old Age Welfare Association regarding Dunns Hall.

RESOLVED that Cllr Arthur, Cllr Colburn & Clerk accept Mrs Hart's invitation.

138.04 **Letters of Thanks from: -**

- (i) MacMillan Cancer Support
- (ii) British Heart Foundation

RESOLVED that these be noted.

139.04 **Letter from Kinsale Town Clerk – For Information Only**

Mayor of Kinsale, Cllr Tomas O'Brien is planning on paying a courtesy visit in the near future as he will be travelling to Wales on the Cork – Swansea Ferry.

RESOLVED that this be noted until as such time as we know the intended date.

140.04 Request for Grant from Hafan Cymru

Hafan Cymru is a Wales wide Charity with an office in Swansea that was formed in 1989 to provide accommodation and personal and emotional support to (mainly) women and children fleeing domestic abuse.

RESOLVED that Clerk request details of accounts and ascertain whether the services are used by people from the Mumbles Community Council area.

141.04 Email from Cllr Sean Aspey, Porthcawl Town Council

Requesting support for the Campaign to keep RAF Chivenor 24 Hours

RESOLVED that MCC write a letter in support of the campaign.

Financial Report						
Invoices Approved						
	Chq No:	Payee	Purpose	Net	VAT	Gross
142.04	Cash	Cllr John Beach	Expense Claim - Ink	£ 13.00		£ 13.00
143.04	2276	Royal Mail	Freepost scheme	£ 0.28		£ 0.28
144.04	2277	Steve Heydon	Salary	£ 916.35		£ 916.35
145.04	2278	Revenue & Customs	Salary	£ 259.44		£ 259.44
146.04	2279	Lewis News	Evening Post	£ 21.00		£ 21.00
147.04	2280	C&CS	Rates	£ 1,002.05		£1,002.05
148.04	2281	Earth Science Partnership	Underhill Report	£ 2,125.00	£311.88	£2,496.88
149.04	2282	Staples	Invoice	£ 125.00		£ 125.00
150.04	2283	Badgemaster	MCC Badges	£ 174.72		£ 174.72
151.04	2284	Community Times	Newsletter	£ 270.00		£ 270.00
152.04	2285	Clive Akins	Salary	£ 30.00	£ 5.25	£ 35.25
153.04	Bank Balances					
			Current Account			£ 13,184.48
			Deposit Account			£ 20,551.40

HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Recommendations by the Highways Committee

154.04 Disabled Bays – Langland Bay Car Park

Request received from Cllr. John Beach regarding the disabled parking bays in the Langland Bay Car Park. Currently there are only 2 bays, and they are situated near the entrance to the car park. Could they be relocated closer to the beach? This would mean less distance to walk.

Cllr. A. Colburn commented that 5% of total spaces should be allocated to disabled.

Cllr. R. Beynon commented that the Dairy Car Park did not have sufficient disabled spaces, and one was continually flooding in bad weather.

RESOLVED that Clerk write to C&CS to request relocation and increase in numbers of disabled parking spaces in Langland Bay Car Park.

155.04 Electrical Contractors

Letter from 'Centregreat Ltd.' Bridgend – offering their electrical services to MCC, especially Festive Lighting

RESOLVED that Clerk to ask for quotations in respect of Navy Days and Xmas Lights.

156.04 No Tipping Signs Clyne Common

Letter to Cllr B. Arthur from Lillian Dolby, MBE, - requesting 'No Tipping' signs be reinstated on Clyne Common

RESOLVED that Clerk send letter to C&CS and Somerset Trust with the request, and also reply to Lillian Dolby MBE, informing her of our actions.

157.04 Dog Fouling & No Tipping Notices Wychwood Close

Mr John Davies called on Clerk regarding the provision of 'Dog Fouling' and 'No Tipping' notices to be placed at the Overland Road entrance to footpath to Wychwood Close.

RESOLVED that Clerk send letter to C&CS with request, and also telephone Mr. Davies informing him of our actions.

COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Recommendations by the Community Planning Committee

158.04 Parish Online

Please see paper on Parish Online which forms part of the supporting documentation for this meeting.

RESOLVED that MCCC purchase a one year license for Parish online primarily for the purpose of publication of map data within the community plan document and on display panels. Cost for one year £190.

IT & PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Recommendations by the IT & Publications Committee

159.04 New Printer for Office

RESOLVED that a Brother MFC 6890CDW be purchased at a cost in the region of £260.

160.04 New Computer for Office

RESOLVED that a new Dell Computer be purchased (from office budget) with the following specifications: Processor: Intel Core (2.80GHz, 8MB); Memory: 4096MB (4x1024) 1333MHz DDR3 Single; ST2410 24" Full HD Widescreen Monitor; Warranty: 3 Yr Pro Support plus Next Day on On-Site Service. Plus separate 250GB+ Hard Drive. Cost to be in the region of £800.

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Recommendations by the Development Committee

161.04 Christmas Tree supplied by Afan Landscapes

We have received an Arboricultural Expert's report on the tree. They state that: -

- (i) The tree supplied in Norwegian Spruce (not Serbian Spruce)
- (ii) The tree has a double leader which is likely to cause a problem in the future
- (iii) The tree as planted is leaning, i.e. not straight

We have written to Afan Landscapes and have subsequently chased them up. So far we have not received a reply.

RESOLVED that the matter be put into the hands of our Solicitor – Huw James.

162.04 Separate Bank Account for Christmas Lights

This matter was due to be discussed by the Finance & General Purposes Committee, but was omitted from their Agenda in error. Highways Committee have previously stated that they:-

AGREED that this matter be discussed by F&GP Committee as per previous decision of Council.

163.04 Statement by the Chairman of Council

RESOLVED that:

- (i) Advice be sought from One Voice Wales and
- (ii) A Special Meeting of Council be held on Wednesday 5 May 2010.

Meeting ended at 8.13pm