

**MINUTES** of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of Mumbles Community Council held on Tuesday 14 April 2015 in the Council Offices, Walters Crescent, Mumbles

**THESE MINUTES ARE AS YET UNCONFIRMED**

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

Apologies: Councillors: P. Birch & L. Tyler-Lloyd

No Apologies: Councillor: T. Scales

**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 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2008**

**Cllr J. Beach** declared a personal interest in planning application 2015/0659 as he knows the applicant.

**Cllr M. Jones** declared a personal interest in planning application 2015/0628 as she knows the applicants

**Cllr Twining** declared a personal interest in planning applications 2015/0454 and 2015/0628 as she knows the applicants.

**Cllr Whittaker** declared a personal interest in planning application 2015/0628 as he knows the applicant.

**122.04 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 10 March 2015**

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held on 10 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record of the meeting.

**Clerk's Report**

**123.04** The letters listing was circulated.

**AGREED** that correspondence in respect of a letter from Cllr Mark Child (City & County of Swansea) be put on the Agenda for the May meeting of Council.

**Chairman's Report**

**124.04** On Friday, 27 March 2015 the Chairman attended the official unveiling, at the Langland Bay Golf Club, of a memorial plaque dedicated to the memory of Lemuel Phillip Ace, a former professional at the club, who was a casualty of the Great War.

**125.04** The Chairman reported that she and the Clerk are trying to organise the Honour of Mumbles evening, hopefully to take place at the Langland Bay Golf Club, next month. All councillors are invited.

**AGREED** that 3 of the bottles of Champagne, the gift from Hennebont, be presented to the 3 recipients of the Honour of Mumbles, and the remaining 3 bottles and the hamper are raffled, free of charge.

**126.04** The Chairman has not been invited to any events in the next month.

### **Planning Applications**

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

**128.04** **2015/0329** – 52 Owls Lodge Lane, Mayals  
**OBJECTION** – Front extension is in front of building line of numbers 46/48/50 Owls Lodge Lane.

**129.04** **2015/0628** – Land to the rear of Highmead, 1 Groves Avenue, Langland  
**OBJECTION** – The futuristic design will have an undesirable effect on the surrounding houses, all of which are buildings with character.

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

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

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

**132.04** **Virgin v BT for phone/internet**

Very similar quotes for integrated phone and broadband services received from Virgin & BT. Both quotes are a substantial saving on current expenditure.

**RESOLVED** that because of its superior broadband speeds the quote from Virgin be accepted.

**133.04** **Resolution to Amend Financial Regulations**

The following resolution was referred to F&GP by full Council:

**PROPOSE** that in line with the December 2014 amendment to the definitive accounting document for community councils, *Governance and accountability for local councils in Wales – A Practitioners' Guide (2011)* the following passage from that Guide is added at the appropriate place within MCC's Financial Regulations:

"At the same time that the budget is set, members will also approve any delegation of responsibility for spending amounts set out in the budget. For example, the budget might include amounts for paying a grant to the local youth club. The RFO may then be authorised to pay the grant without having to make further reference to the council. In the case of member training, the Council might usefully approve an annual training budget with

the Clerk/RFO having the authority to make training bookings without further recourse to the Council subject to the budget sum not being exceeded.”

F&GP committee recommended that the proposal be rejected

**RESOLVED** to reject the proposal

**134.04 Grant request from Whitestone School**

A copy of the grant request form had been circulated to Councillors

**RESOLVED** that the C&CS councillors for West Cross be contacted asking if they are willing to part pay towards the sign.

**135.04 Grant request from West Cross Ladies Bowls Club**

A copy of the grant request form had been circulated to Councillors

It was proposed that a grant of £250 be made.

A named vote was called for:

Those for the motion: Cllrs: B. Arthur, M. Colburn, J. Cooper, D. Dorsett, T. Duffy, P. Erasmus, M. Griffiths, G. Kaminaris & P. Whittaker

Those against the motion: Cllr: M. Jones

Abstentions: Cllr J. Beach, A. Colburn, E. Morgan, J. Twining & H. Mitchell

**RESOLVED** that a grant of £250 subject to details of proposed expenditure being submitted to Council

**136.04 Letter from Huw Evans (C&CS) re Mergers of Standards Committees**

Councillors have been sent a copy of the letter

**RESOLVED** that this be noted.

**137.04 Fuel Poverty – Letter from Mr Clive Hopper**

Councillors had been sent a copy of the letter

**RESOLVED** that this be noted.

**138.04 Grant request from Kidney Wales Foundation**

Councillors had been sent a copy of the letter

**RESOLVED** that a grant of £100 be made.

## Financial Report

<b>Invoices for Approval &amp; Bank Balances</b>						
	Chq No:	Payee	Purpose	Net (£)	VAT (£)	Gross (£)
<b>139.04</b>	3107	R. Marshall	Jesus Christ Superstar	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00
<b>140.04</b>	3108	P. Orrin	Jesus Christ Superstar	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00
<b>141.04</b>	3109	D. Danford	Jesus Christ Superstar	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00
<b>142.04</b>	3110	A. George	Jesus Christ Superstar	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00
<b>143.04</b>	3111	D. Lewis	Jesus Christ Superstar	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00
<b>144.04</b>	3112	Dixons	iPads	£2,500.00	£500.00	£3,000.00
<b>145.04</b>	3113	City & County of Swansea	Removal Posts	£2,560.00	£0.00	£2,560.00
<b>146.04</b>	3114	City & County of Swansea	TRO Bellevue Road/West	£1,500.00	£300.00	£1,800.00
<b>147.04</b>	3115	City & County of Swansea	TRO Castle Road	£1,500.00	£300.00	£1,800.00
<b>148.04</b>	3116	City & County of Swansea	TRO Newton Road	£1,041.67	£208.33	£1,250.00
<b>149.04</b>	3117	Steve Heydon	Clerk- Salary	£994.44	£0.00	£994.44
<b>150.04</b>	3120	Lewis News	South Wales Evening	13.20		13.20
<b>151.04</b>	3121	Apogee	Photocopying	252.38	50.48	302.86
<b>152.04</b>	3122	Apogee	Toner Delivery Charge	7.50	1.50	9.00
<b>153.04</b>	3123	SA3 Magazine Mumbles	Mumbles Times	180.00		180.00
<b>154.04</b>	3124	Open Spaces Society	Renewal of Membership	45.00		45.00
<b>155.04</b>	3125	City & County of Swansea	Supply of Wild Flower	52.40	10.48	62.88
<b>156.04</b>	3126	City & County of Swansea	Second Installment of	£3,128.95	£625.79	£3,754.74
<b>157.04</b>	3127	City & County of Swansea	Mumbles Cleaner	£6,000.00	£1,200.00	£7,200.00
<b>158.04</b>	3128	Paul Whittaker	Expense Claim - Claim for	£498.00		£498.00
<b>159.04</b>	3129	David Dorsett	Expense Claim - Claim for	£8.94		£8.94
<b>160.04</b>	3130	Nathan Laurence	Wandering Minstrels	£15.00		£15.00
<b>161.04</b>	3131	Paul Edwards	Wandering Minstrels	£40.00		£40.00
<b>162.04</b>	3132	Emma Joseph	Wandering Minstrels	£45.00		£45.00
<b>163.04</b>	3133	Johnnie Sandal	Wandering Minstrels	£30.00		£30.00
<b>164.04</b>	3134	Ian Charles	Wandering Minstrels	£60.00		£60.00
<b>165.04</b>	3135	Nicola Thomas	Wandering Minstrels	£15.00		£15.00
<b>166.04</b>	3136	Dai Rees	Wandering Minstrels	£45.00		£45.00
<b>167.04</b>	3137	Gareth Cornfield	Wandering Minstrels	£50.00		£50.00
<b>168.04</b>	3138	City & County of Swansea	Business Rates	£1,230.90		£1,230.90

<b>Account Balances</b>						
<b>169.04</b>		Current Account				£31,661.39
		Deposit Account				£55,170.23

### Items from the Highways Committee

#### **170.04 Fairwood Road / West Cross Lane / Alderwood Road:-Parking**

Clerk requested update from Cllr. Mark Child. As both MCC and Ward Councillors involved, it is suggested that a site visit be requested.

**RESOLVED** that a site visit be arranged between C&CS, West Cross Ward Councillors and MCC.

#### **171.04 BBQ's on Rotherslade Steps**

Email received from Jamie Rewbridge, C&CS, suggesting a meeting.

**RESOLVED** that a meeting be arranged.

#### **172.04 Exclusion of Press & Public**

A resolution to exclude the press & public was put to Council:

A named vote was called for:

Those for the motion: Cllrs: B. Arthur, J. Beach, A. Colburn, M. Colburn, T. Duffy, M. Griffiths, M. Jones, G. Kaminaris, H. Mitchell, E. Morgan, J. Twining & P. Whittaker

Those against the motion: Cllr: J. Cooper, D. Dorsett & P. Erasmus

Abstentions: None

**RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw

#### **173.04 Report from Chairman & Clerk**

The report from the Chairman & Clerk was discussed and it was agreed to meet again informally to discuss matters further.

**Meeting Closed at 8.44pm**