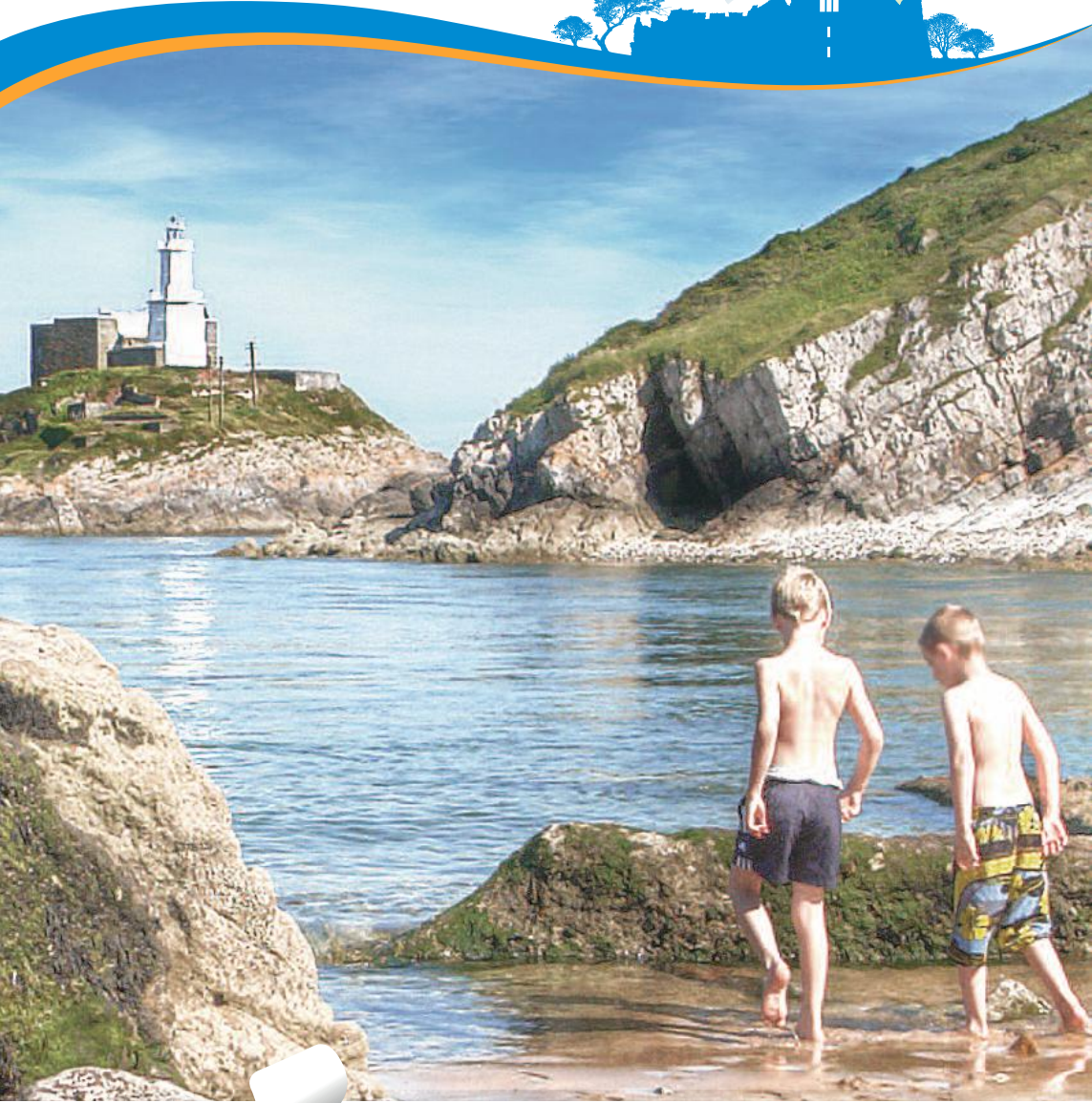


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IT IS AN HONOUR AND A PRIVILEGE TO BE RE-ELECTED AS CHAIRMAN OF MUMBLES COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR A THIRD YEAR AND I WISH TO THANK MY FELLOW COUNCILLORS FOR HAVING THE CONFIDENCE IN ME TO CARRY OUT THE DUTIES OF CHAIRMAN FOR A FURTHER YEAR.

On the 8th May 2015 I attended the 70th anniversary of VE Day, laying a wreath at the War Memorial in Southend Gardens, Mumbles, and in the evening, lighting the 'beacon' on Oystermouth Castle.

The 21st May 2015 saw Mumbles Community

Council honouring three members of our community with the 'Honour of Mumbles'.

This year's recipients were Mr. John Bollom, Mr. Robin Bonham and Mr. George Kyrillou, all three having contributed to, and served our community admirably. The reception was held at the Langland Bay Golf Club who kindly allowed us to use their facilities and provided a magnificent buffet. (see pages 5 and 6)

I would, once again, like to stress that Mumbles Community Council continues to serve you, and promote our area, making it a safe and pleasurable locality.

Thank you for your continued support
COUNCILLOR HELEN MITCHELL
Chairman, Mumbles Community Council.



Lighting of the beacon for VE day



The framed certificates awarded to Mr. John Bollom, Mr. Robin Bonham and Mr. George Kyrillou at the Honour of Mumbles.

UNDERHILL PARK UPDATE

Mumbles Rugby Club have started work on further improvements to the flooding problem in Underhill Park. This follows on from the successful work they carried out last year when three drain away trenches were created which substantially reduced the flooding which had plagued the park for many years. The club also carried out major improvements to the main rugby pitch. This year they will be digging a further three trenches as well as

putting in new drainage pipes under the main rugby pitch. They will then spread sand and fertilizer before sowing grass seed on worn areas of the pitch. All of this work would not be possible without significant funding from Mumbles Community Council and Sports Wales and there is no doubt the whole community will benefit from the work being carried out by Mumbles Rugby Club.

MARTIN RODWELL - MUMBLES RUFC



THE LIFEBOAT has always been the heart of the community of Mumbles & it's fantastic the amount of support which has been given to the charity over the years by the

Community Council. We are very grateful to all who have supported the construction of the new boat house and helped fundraise towards our new boat. **Martin Double - Coxswain**



space in both Swansea Life and Mumbles Times over the last few months. This is our commitment to you, the community, to keep you informed and also to get your feedback, opinions and ideas about what you would like to see.

So get involved! See the social media links below, like us on Facebook, follow us on twitter and look at our

images on Instagram.

Website watch: take a look at the new Mumbles Tourism website launched end of June
www.visitmumbles.co.uk

As you may have noticed, MCC have been spreading out communication wings and taken



Displays going up all over Mumbles

MUMBLES IN BLOOM will be judged at the end of June, beginning of July. Look out for the judges around your area. As well as Mumbles we are entered for Wales in Bloom! We hope to provide through this;

- A stronger sense of community
 - Cleaner and greener surroundings
 - A safer environment
 - Healthier and happier neighbourhoods and more attractive green spaces
 - Community engagement in environmentally sustainable practices
 - Reduced anti-social behaviour
- see website for more details

THE CITY & COUNTY OF SWANSEA (C&CS) IS THE RELEVANT PLANNING AUTHORITY AND IT IS THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO DECIDE ON ALL PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN SWANSEA AND GOWER.

Mumbles Community Council (MCC) is sent copies of planning applications in our area and makes comment on these plans. MCC can decide to recommend approval or refusal, or approval subject to conditions such as

materials, maximum size, parking or access arrangements.

A few decisions are made by the C&CS's twelve Councillor Planning Committee members, but most decisions are delegated to Planning Officers .

Whilst C&CS doesn't have to agree, it must consider the community view.

We welcome your comments, whether you oppose or support an application, and will take these into consideration when making our recommendations.

Central to the decision making process are material considerations - issues that are, in law, material or relevant to a planning application. Such matters must be taken into account when making a recommendation on a planning application.

Material considerations include:

- **the planning authority's development plan**
- **a site's planning history (including earlier applications)**
- **accessibility**
- **traffic**
- **roads and parking**
- **archaeology**
- **a community survey, plan or design statement.**

Some planning applications seek approval for development in principle through outline planning permission. If plans are not properly considered at this stage, it is often too late to express concern when the full details of agreed outline proposals come before the council at a later date.

ANOTHER AWARD CELEBRATORY EVENING TOOK PLACE FOR THE HONOUR OF MUMBLES, AT THE LANGLAND BAY GOLF CLUB, A MOST PLEASANT OF SURROUNDINGS, OVERLOOKING OUR LOVELY, PICTURESQUE BAY, ON THURSDAY 21ST MAY. THERE WERE THREE DESERVING RECIPIENTS OF THE AWARD, SUMMARISED BELOW AND ON THE OPPOSITE PAGE AS TO WHY THEY 'STOOD OUT FROM THE CROWD'



MR. JOHN BOLLOM IS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND MANAGING DIRECTOR OF AMUSEMENT EQUIPMENT CO. LTD.

better known as AMECO, the owners of Mumbles Pier and associated land and buildings. He is a life time supporter and benefactor of the R.N.L.I. and works closely with the Mumbles Station. His company owns the foreshore surrounding its land at The Pier, and allows unfettered use of its beach, to the enormous benefit of the local community and visitors. Much respected by our community and is a worthy recipient of this Award.

MR. ROBIN BONHAM HAS SUPPORTED MUMBLES RUGBY CLUB FOR 15 YEARS. HE IS VERY ACTIVE AS THE JUNIOR CHAIRMAN AND IS ALSO ON THE MAIN MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE. He joined Mumbles Development Trust 10 years ago and is now the Vice Chairman, contributing to many projects such as the Dragon Parade and the Oyster Festival. He is also considered to be the 'Beach Clean Up' and 'Mumbles Clean Up' Tsar. Mumbles would be a lesser place without supporters like Robin. A worthy recipient of the Award.



MR. GEORGE KYRILLOU EPITOMISES THE VERY ESSENCE OF A VILLAGE TRADER.

Because of this, overtures were made by his customers suggesting that he would be a very worthy recipient of this Award. He has involved himself in many community activities over the years including events for 'Top Shops' and Mumbles Rangers. George has not just limited himself to serving behind the counter, but has gone out of his way helping customers, unable to visit his shop, by delivering groceries and papers to their homes and to Nursing Homes. He is very often called upon to assist customers should they need help in their homes. Again, a very worthy recipient of the Award.

WINNERS OF HONOUR OF MUMBLES BY YEAR:

2014 - Mr John Bollom & Mr George Kyrillou

2013 - Mr Robin Bonham

2012 - No recipient

2011 - Mr Mark Portsmouth & Mr Bill Barrington

2010 - Mrs Carol Powell, Mr John Powell & Mrs Penny Ryan

2009 - Revd Canon Keith Evans, Rev Howard Long & Mrs Alex Frith

2008 - Capt. Roy Griffiths & Mrs Christine Discombe

2007 - Mrs Anne Parkyn

2006 - No recipients



DEMOCRACY FOR EVER!
ON WEDNESDAY 18TH MARCH AT OYSTERMOUTH SCHOOL LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCILS WERE ABLE TO PITCH THEIR IDEAS TO MUMBLES COMMUNITY COUNCIL. SIX SCHOOL COUNCILS HAD PREVIOUSLY MET TO DRAW UP A SHORTLIST OF IDEAS. THE IDEAS PRESENTED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING WERE:

1. To move and decorate the skateboard ramp at Blackpill. After questions and discussions on the necessity and cost of moving the ramp, it was suggested that the Council could look into alternative sites and costs for a smaller ramp which younger children could use. This was suggested by Whitestone School
2. An "Adopt an Older Person" scheme, where children could visit older people in the area to combat loneliness and offer help and support. All agreed that this was a superb

idea. There would be legal problems to overcome but it was felt that, if possible, the Council could help establish this scheme, particularly through the Older Persons' Festival in the Autumn. This idea was presented by Oystermouth School council.

3. Whitestone School also suggested that there should be a talent show for local children. It was felt that this could take place during the October half term as part of the Teen Festival.

There were a number of brilliant ideas which unfortunately didn't make the shortlist. Keep the ideas coming!
It was felt that the exercise was very useful and should be repeated and that the Community Council and school councils should work together more often.

Above all it was great fun !

IT'S A KNOCKOUT!

Comes to Mumbles on July 4th.

THE EVENT STARTS AT 12NOON AND WE HAVE LOTS OF FOOD AND DRINK STALLS AND MORE FOR THE KIDS AND ALL THE FAMILY SO COME ALONG AND GET INVOLVED! SUPPORT YOUR TEAM!

Here are the teams to cheer on the day;

Teams

- Mumbles Vikings Under 12
- Mumbles Predators
- Mumbles RFC
- Team Tom
- Mayals Year 6, Mayals Musketeers
- Newton Year 5 Boys
- Team Wilton
- The Roches
- The Kircough Team
- Newton School Year 5 Girls.
- Mumbles Monkeys for MSA
- Oystermouth School
- Mumbles Yacht Club
- Saru Ju Jitsu
- Team Golf Studio
- Mumbles Times
- Cheers
- Gorties Angels
- University of Wales Trinity
- Team Wilton
- West End
- TMSM
- Tooth Fairies
- Team Joss DVLA Mumbles
- Red Cafe

Mumbles Community Council present

IT'S A KNOCKOUT!
FAMILY FUN DAY
SATURDAY 4TH JULY
Starts from 12 noon in Castle Grounds

TO ENTER: PUT TOGETHER A TEAM OF 10 PEOPLE AND CALL 01792 363598

Games on the day will include:
BANANA DASH • DINGHY DERBY
HUMAN WASHING MACHINE • SKI CRAZY
GIANT HAMSTER WHEELAY • PINBALL WIZARD
STEPPING TO SUCCESS • SLIPPERY SLOPE
COMBAT ZONES • THE GREAT ESCAPE
HUMAN DEMOLITION • SOCCER SHOOT-OUT
THE CHICKEN RUN

ACTION PACKED FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

for further info go to:
www.mumbles.gov.uk

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All team entries now fully booked.
What a day its going to be!!!

COMMUNITY GALLERY

GRANT GALLERY



MRS. WENDY EWING, Dunns Lane, Mumbles has just celebrated her 100th Birthday. An extremely remarkable lady who spent her actual birthday on a Caribbean Cruise. Mumbles Community Council marked the occasion by presenting her with a bouquet of flowers and a card.



Councillor Helen Mitchell, Chairman of Mumbles Community Council and County Councillor Anthony Colburn, Chairman of Mumbles and South Gower Branch of The Royal British Legion at Mumbles War Memorial at the service to commemorate V.E. Day.



Members of the West Cross ATC Squadron at the lighting of the Beacon Ceremony at Oystermouth Castle, organised by the Mumbles and South Gower Branch of The Royal British Legion, as part of the National Chain of beacons being lit all over the country.



Unightly white posts removed and a floral display takes pride of place.



the event through the children who come and take part and in the festival. The festival workshops are both environmental and sustainable as materials used are found - i.e. sand, shells, pebbles etc. and are designed to educate, inspire and delight, touching all the

Mumbles Community Council's grant of £1,000 will be used to fund our Sculpture by the Sea UK Festival project. Firstly, five art workshops will be run by our team of artists in June/July term time for all five of our Mumbles primary schools to create festival flags and displays to use at our annual Sculpture by the Sea UK Festival at Bracelet Bay and Blackpill in July 2015. Artist workshops will then be run at the festival. The festival is a two day event led by trained artists and involves people of all ages taking part in an activity on the beach to create sculptures whilst engaging with the place and nature. We have been running this local festival for ten years so have built up a following of participants each year and the preliminary workshops with the schools ensures that the community is connected with



senses to really experience making art. Last year's 2014 event (sponsored by Mumbles Community Council & CCS) is featured on our website.

SARAH HOLDEN, SCULPTURE BY THE SEA

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