



MINUTES of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of Mumbles Community Council held on Tuesday 9 December 2008 at 7pm in the Council Offices, Walters Crescent, Mumbles.

PLEASE NOTE THESE MINUTES ARE AS YET UNCONFIRMED

465.12. Present:
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Chairman:
Vice-Chairman: B. Arthur
Councillors: A. Colburn, M. Jones, L. Pritchard, G. David,
E. Hughes, J. Beach, R. Wilkinson, A. Wilson, J. Cooper,
H. Mitchell, V. Bevan & J. Griffiths

466.12 Apologies

Councillors: Councillor R. Beynon, L. Tyler-Lloyd, J. Roberts & P. Skinner

467.12 No Apologies

Councillor: P. Swinnerton

468.12 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.

Cllr L. Pritchard – Planning Application 2008/2165 as neighbour

Cllr P. Jones – Planning Application 2008/2091 as Governor of School and neighbour of school

469.12 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 11 November 2008

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held on 11 November 2008 be accepted as a correct record

Clerk's Report

470.12 Useful information on PACT has been received. Copies are available to interested Councillors.

471.12 Cllr Tyler-Lloyd's mother has sadly passed away. A suitable card was sent on behalf of the Community Council.

472.12 Letter received from District Valuer. He had been asked by the Landlord's agent if we were willing to give up occupation of entirety of property with effect from 25 December 2008.

RESOLVED that MCC wish to remain in current office.

Chairman's Report

473.12 Chairman has received a letter of resignation from Cllr J. Roberts.

RESOLVED that Clerk inform the Election Services at C&CS and issue the correct notices.

Planning Applications

473.12 Cllr Colburn withdrew from the Meeting Room.

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

475.12 Cllr Colburn returned to the Meeting Room.

Development Committee

Recommendations by the Development Committee

476.12 **Christmas Lights**

A recommendation by the Committee that in future all display lighting to be managed into one committee was discussed and the motion defeated.

Finance & General Purposes Committee

Recommendations by the Finance & General Purposes Committee

477.12 **MDT Request for a Grant**

Request for a grant of £15,000 per year for 3 years.

The F&GP Committee had the benefit of a written report provided by Cllr Wilson for which they were grateful.

After discussion it was decided that the answers provided by MDT despite long consideration by Cllrs Cooper and Wilson, were unclear and not therefore satisfactory. The position of funding to MDT by WAG required to be ascertained. The position of Mr T, Scales in the Trust – how long was he to continue to be involved – who would, if anyone, take his place, would have to be investigated.

RESOLVED that a letter should be sent to MDT requesting clarification of accounts, WAG position and T Scales position, following MDTs response to this letter a request for a meeting with MDT to discuss the details would be made.

478.12 Top Shops/BottomShops – Newton Road

Request for funding by Top Shops has already been declined. Request by Bottom Shops has been investigated – they were too late to apply to C&CS for road closure which in any fact would have been free. Also no charge by police. The ‘no charge’ would also apply to Top Shops.

Top Shops had take out Public Liability Insurance at £150 per time.

As this Insurance was in the public interest (as per s137 LGA 1972) and not commercial interest, it was: -

RESOLVED that Top Shops receive a grant of £150 to defray the Insurance Premium costs.

479.12 Mumbles & Gower Stroke Club

Request for grant towards transport costs. They have 22 members (9 who live in the Mumbles Community Council area).

RESOLVED that a grant of £300 be made.

480.12 Mumbles Rangers Boys & Girls Club

In January 2007 Council voted to give the club a grant of £1,000 to help produce a formal application for a grant. However, it was not until December 2007 that an application for a grant was received. Council voted in January 2008 to make a grant for £19,584.

After considerable delay, and after several requests from MCC, we have now received a letter stating that the work will commence at the end of the football season – May 2009. (For fuller details see F&GP minutes).

RESOLVED that:

- (a) A grant of £19,584 be made to the club with the proviso that it will be made available in accordance with the requirements of MCC already communicated to the club.
- (b) The work be completed no later that the 30 December 2009.
- (c) Details be supplied of how the grant, already made, of £1000 has been spent.

481.12 Adjudication Panel for Wales Report 07/08

RESOLVED that this should be noted and available to Councillors via the Clerk.

	Invoices Approved		£	£	£
	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Net</i>	<i>VAT</i>	<i>Gross</i>
482.12	Trevor Lewis Signs	Christmas Event Banner	65.00	11.37	76.37
483.12	Cllr Beynon	Kinsale Trip Expenses	101.52		101.52
484.12	Ostreme Hall	Hire for Christmas Event	50.75		50.75
485.12	JCP Solicitors	Village Greens	870.00	152.25	1,022.25
486.12	City & County of	Energy Charge Festoon	309.28	54.12	363.40

	Swansea	Lighting			
487.12	Gower Society	Membership Renewal	15.00		15.00
488.12	Staples	Stationary	41.79	7.31	49.10
489.12	Society of Local Council Clerks	Membership Renewal	133.00		133.00
490.12	A Williams & Saunders	Christmas Tree	350.00		350.00
491.12	Trevor Lewis Signs	Christmas Event Banner	65.00	11.37	76.37
492.12	Bank Balances	Current Account			10,000.00
		Deposit Account			118,970.36

Community Plan Committee

Recommendations by the Community Plan Committee

493.12 Community Plan

Copy of proposal circulated with minutes.

RESOLVED that a Special Meeting of Council be called to discuss the proposal.

494.12 Unitary Development Plan

Letter received from Bryan Graham, Head of Planning Services, informing MCC that the modified Unitary Development Plan came into force on 10th of November, 2008. It can be inspected at the Civic Centre and on the website: www.swansea.gov.uk/devplans. Its validity can be queried by application to the High Court within six weeks of the 10th of November, 2008.

RESOLVED that this be noted.

I.T. & Publications Committee

Recommendations by the I.T. & Publications Committee

495.12 Exhibition Stand

The proposed purchase of an Exhibition Display Stand was put forward by other Committees, this to be used at various function put on by the Council.

RESOLVED that this be purchased at a cost in the region of £250-300 to be included in 2009/2010 budget.

496.12 Evening Post

Proposed purchase of the S.W. Evening Post to facilitate a record of items of news being filed, regarding Mumbles CC and people with local interest was discussed and proposed. The motion was defeated.

497.12 Sub-Editorial Roles for Website

Navy Days Section – Cllr R. Wilkinson
Mumbles Guide Section – Cllrs J. Cooper & L. Pritchard
Council News Section – Cllr J. Griffiths
Council Business Section (inc Minutes) – Clerk
Mumbles Reporter – Cllr J. Beach

(Cllr Beach remains as overall Editor of site.)

RESOLVED that the above sub-editorial roles be approved.

Navy Days Committee

Recommendations by the Navy Days Committee

Sea Cadets

RESOLVED that a donation of £50 be made to the Sea Cadets.

Meeting Closed at 7.56pm