



MINUTES of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of Mumbles Community Council held on Tuesday 13 May 2008 at 7.30pm in the Council Offices, Walters Crescent, Mumbles.

PLEASE NOTE THESE MINUTES ARE AS YET UNCONFIRMED

173.05. Present: Chairman: Councillor R. Beynon
08 Vice-Chairman:
Councillors: A. Colburn, P. Skinner, L. Pritchard, J. Beach,
P. Swinnerton, M. Jones, L. Tyler-Lloyd, R. Wilkinson,
E. Hughes, H. Mitchell, G. David, A. Wilson & V. Bevan

173.05 Apologies Councillor: V. Duncan

174.05 No Apologies Councillors:

175.05 TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL INTEREST FROM MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT ADOPTED BY THIS COUNCIL ON 13TH NOVEMBER 2007.

176.05 RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 8 April 2008 be accepted as a correct record.

Clerk's Report

177.05 The Clerk joined the Chairman in welcoming the new Councillors.

178.05 Following the local elections there are 3 vacancies on the Council. The Election Department at C&CS have given the go-ahead for co-option.

RESOLVED that the Co-option Notice(s) be Issued.

179.05 Register of Interests forms may need updating following the introduction of the new code of conduct. Clerk is checking with One Voice Wales. Councillors will need to complete the form once it is ready.

180.05 The modifications report on the Unitary Development Plan has been received.

RESOLVED to refer it to the Community Plan Committee.

181.05 Chairman's Report

Chairman represented the Council at two events:

- (i) Informal Evening with members of Hennebont and Mumbles Twinning Association at the Pilot on 16 April 2008.
- (ii) Unveiling of Plaque (in recognition of MCC grant of £28,000 towards their refurbishment) at Mumbles Rugby Club Changing Rooms, together with Cllrs Pritchard and Colburn.

Planning Applications

Cllr Colburn withdrew from the Meeting Room.

- 182.05 Application: 2008/0759** – 6 Langland road (former Langland Manor Nursing Home)
Objection: 28 Apartments – 10 car parking spaces – lack of parking. Over intensification. Loss of trees. Very busy roadway.
- 183.05 Application: 2008/0747** – Ffenstri, 23 Mary Twill Lane, Mumbles
Objection: Conservation Area. Over intensification. Concern over lack of access to the site new dwelling and visual aspect. Support neighbour.
- 184.05 Application: 2008/0774**– 7 Mary Twill Lane
Objection: Why remove healthy trees? Support TPO decision.
- 185.05 Application: 2008/0772** – Winterstoke House. Groves Avenue, Langland.
Objection: Concerned that this looks like a dwelling, not a nine-garage replacement.
- 186.05 Application: 2008/0809** – 9 Caswell Avenue, Caswell
Objection: Front porch and Bay Windows are out of building line to Caswell Avenue.
- 187.05 Application: 2007/075** – Clifflands Nursing Home, Langland Road, Mumbles
Objection: Object to felling 3 healthy trees. Two letter of objection received from neighbours re car parking overlooking properties. Letter from Gilberts Cliff Association re difficult access on road corner.
- 188.05** All other planning applications (except 2008/0717 - see below) for this period were passed as 'no objection'.
- 189.05 Application: 2008/0717** – Oystermouth Square and the Old Quarry Site, Mumbles
RESOLVED that the application be referred to CDN (MCC Planning Consultants) for review.
- 190.05 Co-option Brian Arthur**
RESOLVED that Brian Arthur be co-opted to the Planning Committee in view of his knowledge of planning matters.

Cllr Colburn returned to the Meeting Room.

I.T. & Publications Committee

Recommendations by the I.T. & Publications Committee

- 191.05 MCC Newsletter**

RESOLVED that the next Newsletter to be published in the CT Mumbles magazine in June 2008.

192.05 Pamphlet for MDT Meeting

RESOLVED that this be used as a general issue with CT Mumbles magazine and other publications.

Development Committee

Recommendations by the Development Committee

193.05 Planters

The displays in the planters in West Cross have been complimented. However, adverse comments have been made regarding the white labels with MCC logo.

RESOLVED that the labels be left on the planters.

Finance & General Purposes Committee

Suggestions by the Finance & General Purposes Committee

194.05 Callencroft Court Residents Association

Letter of thanks for use of office, requesting invoice.

RESOLVED that an invoice for £15 be generated.

195.05 Mumbles Development Trust

Request for written support for grant application to finance 'Mumbles Green Team'

RESOLVED that letter of support be sent.

196.05 Local Council Review

Subscription Renewal. £17 per annum. Clerk does not feel that this is important.

RESOLVED that subscription not be renewed.

197.05 Peter Black AM Surgeries Poster

RESOLVED that we send our standard letter on this matter to him.

198.05 RESOLVED that the following items be noted and where appropriate displayed on MCC's Noticeboard:

- (i) **Oystermouth Music Society** – letter of thanks for grant, together with a copy of the programme.
- (ii) **Martin Caton MP** – Press Release
- (iii) **Vivian Hall Memorial Committee** - Notice of their AGM
- (iv) **Alzheimer's Society** – Letter of thanks for grant

- (v) **Zurich Insurance** – change, at no extra cost, in light of Corporate Homicide and Corporate Manslaughter Act 2007
- (vi) **Developing the Village Shop Conference** – Letter and posters
- (vii) **R.N.I.B. Training Dates**

Invoices Approved

199.05	C&CS	Mumbles in Bloom Posters	£173.90
200.05	John Collins & Partners	Village Green Application	£554.60
201.05	Wales Audit Office	Audit Work	£763.75
202.05	Treasure	Rent	£1437.50
203.05	Gower Community Website	Annual Subscription	30.00
204.05	Staples	Stationary	£23.97
205.05	Bank Balances	Current Account	£10,095.79
		Deposit Account	£88,279.15

Policy Committee

Recommendations by the Policy Committee

206.05 Recommendations by the District Valuer

RESOLVED that the District Valuer is asked to try to negotiate one more time to negotiate the annual rent for the 'new office' and that if he is unsuccessful we accept his recommendations that:

- (i) We agree a rent for our existing accommodation for £6,500 per annum
- (ii) We do not rent the 'new office'.

207.05 Labour Election Leaflet

Complaints have been made by Councillors regarding the content of one of the West Cross election leaflets.

RESOLVED that take no action be taken.

208.05 Email from John Pickard

Email received from former Clerk, John Pickard asking why MCC (rather than Mumbles Development Trust (MDT)) had not hosted the Public Meeting on Developments in Mumbles.

RESOLVED that we reply stating that, at this stage, we felt that MDT were the most suitable organisation to host the event, that if MCC hosted the event we might compromise ourselves regarding the resulting planning applications.

209.05 Representative at Inauguration of The Lord Mayor

RECOMMEND that Brian Arthur attend as our representative.

Meeting ended at 8.15pm