

FEBRUARY 2006

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE INFORMATION CENTRE

417 GOWER ROAD, KILLAY ON WEDNESDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 2006 at 7.15 p.m

Members present: Cllr M.Jones in the Chair.

Cllrs: N.Dahan, M.Farley-Hills, E.Ireland, C.Jenkins, F.Jenkins, B.Jones, S.Lee & A.Thomas.

(1) Apologies for Absence.

Were received from Cllrs B.Brazil, E.Gunn, M.Mayes, R.Murphy & P.Williams.

(2) Declarations of Interest

In accordance with the provisions of the Code of Conduct members must declare an interest at the commencement of the matter being discussed or when the interest becomes apparent. Members disclosing an interest must enter the agenda number of the item on the form supplied by the Clerk at each meeting.

(3) Acceptance of the Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th January 2006 having been previously circulated were agreed, accepted and signed as a true record.

(4) Matters Arising

re: Item 5 (b)(ii) Clerk said West Glamorgan Association assets have been transferred to One Voice Wales.

re: Item 15 New Natural Health Therapy Centre (above Chaplins) opened Saturday 4th February.

re: Item 12 Chair said pot holes and raised area in Cygnet Close have been reported once again to Highways Dept.

re: Item 15 Chair said the builders at new library will clean around the area and reinstate grass verge and the top parcel of land fenced off in Stephenson Road has been sold.

(5) Police Report

In the absence of Community Police Officer Clive Jones Cllr Thomas reported on two recent incidents in Killay one being shop lifting at Somerfields. The Clerk said a book has been left in office for any police complaints/incidents to be recorded whereupon police will call regularly to check and the double yellow lines have now been placed outside Village Diner and opposite.

(6) Address by Mr Lyn Llewellyn - One Voice Wales

The Deputy Chief Executive of One Voice Wales Mr Lyn Llewellyn gave an indepth talk on the benefits

of becoming members of the organisation *i.e.* free legal advice, training, Newsletter etc and explained that the assets from West Glamorgan Association had been transferred to One Voice Wales and will be kept in a local fund for training.

(7) Correspondence.

Letter received from Head of Financial Services of City and County of Swansea stating new precept will be paid 28/4/06, 31/8/06 and 29/12/06.

(8) (a) Chairman and City Councillor's Report.

The Chair reported:

- (i) She had received an invitation from Mumbles Community Council to speak on Egovernment programme.
- (ii) Our letter to the Monitoring Officer putting Cllr C. Jenkins name forward for Community Council Standards sub-committee has apparently been mislaid - copy will be requested and whole procedure will start again as there were no suitable candidates..
- (iii) Questionnaires on Council Review of Working with Community Councils had been received - very interesting replies - overall people felt quite satisfied with performance.
- (iv) Felt more members should make an effort to help out in Information Centre in particular on Saturdays.

(8) (b) Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported:

- (i) The next meeting in relation to 50th Anniversary of Gower Exhibition is to be held at Swansea Museum on Monday 27th February at 11 am. Cllrs Farley Hills and F.Jenkins agreed to attend.
- (ii) Details received of Calor Village of the Year Competition - agreed to enter if we meet the criteria.
- (iii) At a recent meeting of the Police Authority only 17% voted for one force.
- (iv) All literature received will be left in Information Centre

Clerical Expenses: £44.67

(8) (d) Planning Committee

Cllr M.Jones left the meeting and took no part in this item. Cllr Thomas read out all applications received to which there were no observations.

(9) Reports (a) Communications Committee - Cllr Thomas said no meeting was held as there was not a quorum. New keyboard needed for computer as several keys not working on old keyboard - Cllr F.Jenkins said she had a spare one.

(b) Footpaths - Cllr Farley-Hills said weather not suitable for walking.

© **Swansea in Bloom** - Cllr B.Jones said Cllr Ireland had planted polyanthus outside Information Centre and Cllr C.Jenkins had planted some in flower bed near Village Inn therefore proposed by Cllr Ireland seconded

by Cllr Thomas that retrospective approval be given for purchase of plants from Chaplins in the sum of £33.00. Clerk said hanging baskets have to be ordered from City Council by 3rd March so it was likely that this also applies to lamp standard baskets.

(10) Financial Report

In the absence of the Treasurer the Clerk reported the following balances:

Current Account	£	1706.85
No. 1 Account	£	9369.65
No. 2 Account	£	3626.98

Clerk reported Audit for 2004/05 complete and invoice received in the sum of £250 + vat = £293.75.
Proposed by Cllr B.Jones seconded by Cllr F.Jenkins that said invoice be paid.

(11) Christmas Lights Report

The Clerk said first bill of over £5,000 received from Phillips Electrics not accepted which has now been reduced to £4094.00 + vat. Balance sheets produced showing total cost of lights to be £3872.28 but vat to be reclaimed reducing amount to £3081.67. Four shops have still not paid (Somersfields, Blockbusters, Salon One and Jetaway) which would reduce total to £2906.67. N.B. Jetaway cheque received today.
Proposed by Cllr Thomas seconded by Cllr Dahan that retrospective approval be given for all amounts paid as per balance sheet.

(12) One Voice Wales - Annual Subscription

The Chairman said following on from the talk made by Mr Lyn Llewellyn a decision now has to be made as to whether we pay annual subscription to One Voice Wales amounting to £489. After much deliberation it was proposed by Cllr B. Jones seconded by Cllr C.Jenkins and agreed unanimously that we do not join this organisation. Clerk will inform them accordingly and thank Mr Llewellyn for his attendance.

(13) School Governors Reports and St. David's Day Celebrations.

Cllr Thomas reported on meeting attended at Duvant School in particular all building works ongoing and demolition of old buildings. Cllr Jenkins reported on Hendrefoilan meeting at which school budget was discussed. The Chair reported on St David's Day children will leave Siloam at 1.30 pm and parade in their dragon costumes to the precinct whereupon we will provide tea, pop and welsh cakes. Cllr Thomas would require assistance in the morning to erect marquee at 10 am. And it was suggested if weather fine we could have a stall with all items appropriate for St. David's Day. The Clerk read out the thank-you letter from Hendrefoilan Headmaster in which they stated how grateful they were for our support.

(14) Killay Information and Tourist Centre Report.

In the absence of Cllr Williams the Clerk reported that a committee meeting had been held on Monday at

which various items were discussed. Herself, Cllr Ireland and C.Jenkins had attended a Trade Fayre in Margam Park and purchased several different items. Proposed by Cllr Thomas seconded by Cllr Ireland that retrospective approval be given for payment made to G.H. Stafford in the sum of £203.63 for leather handbags, wallets and beach bags. Proposed by Cllr C.Jenkins seconded by Cllr Lee that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Williams Cash & Carry for £229.46 (souvenirs, maps etc). Proposed by Cllr Thomas seconded by Cllr F.Jenkins that invoice from Stephen Pratt (jewellery) in the sum of £255.26 be paid. Proposed by Cllr F.Jenkins seconded by Cllr Farley-Hills that invoice be paid for £138.04 to Welsh Roots (new honey supplier). Proposed by Cllr Ireland seconded by Cllr B.Jones that invoice amounting to £11.10 from Meirfield Printers be paid for tide tables.

(15) Eisteddfod 2006 Report

Cllrs F Jenkins and Farley-Hills gave a very detailed report on committee meeting held in Commercial Inn. It was agreed that raffle tickets will be sold in Information Centre and Souvenir Plate will be on display, together with other items which can be ordered. It was suggested that instead of giving a donation we sponsor one of the prizes and our name would appear alongside that prize. Cllr F.Jenkins read out the list of events which still needed sponsorship prizes and it was proposed by Cllr B.Jones seconded by Cllr Thomas and agreed unanimously that we sponsor the Third Prize of £300 in the Male Voice Choir Event. Next meeting 8th March in Foundout Inn following concert in Penyfro School.

(16) Any Other Business

Cllr C.Jenkins said Safer Swansea Partnership had approached her to arrange for CCTV cameras to be placed in precinct car park. Advised that she cannot attend Forum meeting on 7th March and asked Cllr Thomas to give her apologies.

Cllr Farley-Hills said all councillors should be invited to the opening of the new Killay library.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40 pm