



KILLAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Chairman:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE INFORMATION CENTRE
417 GOWER ROAD, KILLAY ON WEDNESDAY 26th JANUARY 2011 at 7.15 p.m

Members present: Cllr M.Jones in the Chair
Cllrs: N.Fletcher, E.Ireland, B.Jones, P.Walsh, G.Thomas & P.Williams.

(1) Apologies for Absence.

Were received from: Cllrs J.Hendy, M.Idris, C.Jenkins, S.John, K.Johnson, & O.Kennedy.

(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 24th November 2010 having been previously circulated were agreed, accepted and signed as a true record and the Minutes of the Precept Meeting held on 12th January 2011 were agreed, accepted and signed as a true record after adding seconded by Cllr B.Jones to Cllr Fletcher's proposal.

(4) Matters Arising

There were none.

(5) Police Report & PACT Meeting Report

Chair reported new Police Inspector A. Reid starting in February and the next PACT meeting will be held on 21/2/11 at St. Hilary's Church Hall @ 7 p.m.

(6) Correspondence

- (a) Letter from City Council (Finance Dept) stating precept will be paid 28/4/11, 31/8/11 and 30/12/11.
- (b) Letter from Boundary Commission stating electoral arrangements for Swansea have been suspended.
- (c) Next Forum Meeting Thursday 8th March 5 p.m. Room 2 at Civic Centre.
- (d) Next Neighbourhood Watch Meeting Tuesday 1st February 7 p.m. at Cockett Police Station.
- (e) South Wales Police Authority Meeting 27/1/11 at Civic Centre @ 6.30 p.m.

(7) (a) Chairman's & City Councillors Report

The Chair reported:

- (i) Apologies given for not having the plans to show the work to be carried out outside the chemists - explained the guard rails will be taken away and the pavement will be brought out with bollards. There are also plans to place a drop in the middle section of carriageway to enable wheelchair users and disabled to cross. This work is out to contract and should commence Feb/March.
- (ii) Lord Mayor's Charity Ball will take place on 5th March - tickets £42.50.
- (iii) Holocaust Memorial Day tomorrow - different format than previous with Cefn Hengoed School taking lead role this year on behalf of all the children of Swansea as part of the official commemorations of the day and thereafter a civic ceremony being held in the Guildhall.
- (iv) Forms to sign for extra funding for BMX track. Young people have selected their preferred scheme and insurance is covered by City Council.

- (v) In response to Cllr Idris' request for disabled parking outside the shops - City Council do not have to supply as there is sufficient disabled parking in the area which is 'on the flat' and accessible.
- (vi) Recently attended 'End Of Pantomime' Supper at Mansion House - a lovely evening meeting and speaking to the actors.
- (vii) Brought to her attention that a member of the public contacted Highways Department regarding the blocking off of one of the entrances at the Commercial Hotel which has resulted in motorists doing 'U' turns in middle of road and quite hazardous when cars are entering and exiting at the same entry into the Commercial car park.

7 (b) Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported:

- (i) On March 1st Hendrefoilan Primary will be carrying out their St. David's Day Parade - Chair said this has been cancelled as the school has an inspection that day will probably be done at a later date.
 - (ii) Letters seeking financial assistance from Maggies Centre, Urdd Eisteddfodd in Swansea 2011 and Jenny Jones of 20 Lamb Lane seeking funding for Girl Guides International Jamboree in Siberia in July 2011 - proposed by Cllr Fletcher, seconded by Cllr Ireland and agreed unanimously to donate £50 to each of these causes. Letters from Macmillan Cancer Support, British Heart Foundation and British Legion Poppy Appeal were noted.
 - (iii) Swansea in Bloom will be on next Agenda as orders have to be in March 2011
 - (iv) Litter still remains in Stephenson Road and it has been likened to a rubbish tip and complaints have arisen feeling that the local councillor should have had it removed by now - Chair took exception to this remark and stated that Cllr J.Jones has approached this matter in the proper manner and cannot enter someone else's land. The damaged grass verges all along Gower Road were another cause of complaint also the haphazard parking of builders lorries around Stephenson Road,
 - (v) Literature: Gower Society Newsletter, Clerk's Direct and Local Development Plan Newsletter.
- Clerical Expenses: £20.46

(7) (d) Planning Committee

Cllr M.Jones left the meeting and took no part in this item. Cllr Fletcher read out applications among which is an application for change of use at Unit 3 The Precinct from a hairdressers (class A1) to a café/Restaurant Class A3). After discussion it was agreed to object to this application on the following grounds: (i.) the precinct is a designated shopping area and class A3 does not come into this category. (ii) Other applications i.e. Betting Shop, Off-Licence and Hot Food Take-away have previously been objected to and upheld. (iii) If application is successful especially with the proposed opening hours there is nothing to stop this establishment being sold on in the future. (iv) If application is granted it would be hard for City Council to stop other applications if further units become vacant. Cllr M.Jones re-entered the meeting and took the Chair.

(7) (e) Computer Committee

In the absence of Cllr Johnson there was no report but the Chair suggested Myke Asals be updated to the changes regarding the wards in Killay.

(7) (f) Footpaths

Cllr Ireland said there was nothing to report.

(8) Financial Report

Clerk reported the following balances:

Current Account	£	1243 . 19
No. 2 Account	£	6819 . 09
No. 3 Account	£	3901 . 27

(9) Ratification of Precept 2011/12

The precept for the year 2011/12 having been set at the meeting on 12/1/11 at the sum of £25,200 was agreed by a majority.

(10) Killay Information & Tourist Centre Report

No meeting held on Monday. The Clerk distributed balance sheets for November and December and pointed out that sales were over £200 down on previous December probably due to the bad weather and we didn't have a Christmas Fayre. Proposed by Cllr Ireland seconded by Cllr B.Jones that retrospective approval be given for payment made to BT for £78.67 for telephone. Proposed by Cllr B.Jones seconded by Cllr Thomas that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Stephen Pratt for £470.41 (photo frames, pens etc). Proposed by Cllr Fletcher seconded by Cllr Williams that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Dawsons for £1725.00 for rent 1/12/10 - 28/2/11. Proposed by Cllr B.Jones seconded by Cllr Walsh that invoice be paid to SET Office Supplies for £11.94 for photocopy paper.

(11) Christmas Events

Clerk said at present no balance sheet available as she was in dispute with Phillips Services over loss of some of our lights and other lights not functioning properly over the festive period and had not received the breakdown of electricity consumed. Chair said everything went well although not so many children attended the night or the Grotto. Sleigh has been booked for 28th November 2011. The Clerk said our tree in St. Hilary's looked lovely and thanked all those who helped.

(12) Co-option of Councillors for the North Ward of Killay

No progress to Report

(13) Census 2011

The Chair emphasised the importance of filling in the Census Form which has some changes - Census Helpline 0330 0201 130. Website [w.w.w.census.gov.uk](http://www.census.gov.uk).

(14) Forum Meeting Report

The Chair reported on the Forum meeting at which the Local Development Plan was discussed - pleased to report no plots of land in Killay put in by any applicants at present but would continue to monitor. The Charter was also discussed.

(15) Any Other Business

Cllr Walsh queried as to whether there should be lights on a skip placed on the public highway - Chair said she would look into this.

Cllr Williams said if keys are taken from the shop for any reason would they please replace them.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.