

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE INFORMATION CENTRE
417 GOWER ROAD, KILLAY ON WEDNESDAY 25th JUNE 2008 at 7.30 p.m

At 7 p.m. as there were no candidates to interview for the two vacancies on Council, a short discussion took place regarding a Forum Meeting at which the Chair and Clerk were present which gave an in depth look at all the details of the new Code of Conduct. Councillors will be requested to attend a training meeting on this important issue. Regarding the vacancies on Council the positions will now be re-advertised.

Members present: Cllr M.Jones in the Chair

Cllrs: A.Anton, M.Anton, J.Hendy, E.Ireland, C.Jenkins, K.Johnson, B.Jones, O.Kennedy, G.Thomas & P.Williams.

(1) Apologies for Absence.

Were received from: Cllr M.Idris & M.Mayes; also City Cllr J. Jones.

(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 and A.G.M. held on 28th May 2008 having been previously circulated were agreed, accepted and signed as a true record.

(4) Matters Arising

re: Item 7(a) (ii) Clerk said 'Waiting Limited to 1 Hour' signs have been placed outside shops on Gower Road and PCSO's have informed all traders.

re: Item 13. Clerk said a letter has been written to Dawsons (copy to Malcolm Jones) in relation to all the problems encountered in Information Centre.

re: Item 3. The Chair said the tree which has been knocked down in Wimmerfield Avenue will cost approximately £175 to replace and the Community Council indicated they would make a contribution; she will be meeting a representative from City Council with a view to planting daffodils around the tree and in other areas.

re: Item 13. Tree overhanging traffic lights on Gower Road/Wimmerfield Drive junction has been reported also overhanging trees in Broadmead. Cllr A. Anton said No. 39 Broadmead had done the job himself.

(5) Police Report & PACT meeting.

Next PACT meeting on 30th June in St. Hilary's Church Hall at 7 pm. PCSO's called in Information Centre on Monday and advised that all shop workers have been advised about the 1 hour waiting signs and the motor bikes would appear to have ceased at the moment in Clyne Valley.

(6) Correspondence

(a) Letter received from Electoral Officer stating that we can co-opt two new members as soon as possible. Cllr M. Anton left the meeting at 7.42 pm.

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

The Chair reported:

(i) As already mentioned meeting representative from City Council regarding replacing tree and planting daffodils - suggested we place this item on next Agenda.

(ii) The NEAT team have done many clear up jobs - in Killay North: Heol Glasnant Lane, lane by Hendrefoilan School Lane and other footpaths and in Killay South: St. Christopher steps, rubbish in Woodcote and on Sunday rear opposite Village Inn. Unfortunately an incident occurred which resulted in part Hendrefoilan School Lane hedge being cut down, which school was very upset about - this was not done by the NEAT team.

(iii) Held a very positive meeting in St. Hilary's Church Hall with youths, parents and youth support worker - agreed that more provision was needed for younger people in Killay; suggested taking youths to various centres. PCSO's were updated the following day.

(iv) Met with Highways Officer - items discussed was the placement of bollards outside chemists, there is a general freeze at present on double yellow lines and not feasible to place a crossing near the shops on Gower Road.

(v) Cllr J. Jones attended a Livingston meeting recently regarding pay and display in precinct car park and another planned for 11th July. He also attended a meeting with Dunvant and Sketty councillors together with park officers in relation to illegal bikers in Clyne Valley. Also visited Corals Betting Shop regarding grass verge and will be speaking to Manager. Will be attending a meeting at Cockett Police Station with police and PCSO's.

(vi) Chair concluded by saying she had been advised that Salvation Army will be attending Songs of Praise in precinct on 17th August and it was agreed we invite Lord Mayor.

(7) (b) Clerk's Report

(i) Informed that Chair appointed of Computer/Website committee Cllr M.Anton - Footpaths Committee Cllr Ireland - Information Centre Committee Cllr Williams - Planning Committee Cllr C.Jenkins also Swansea in Bloom Cllr C.Jenkins.

(ii) Last Thursday Dunvant schoolchildren performed in precinct to celebrate International Children's Day - proposed by Cllr Williams seconded by Cllr Kennedy that retrospective approval be given for payment made by the Clerk for refreshments for £10.

(iii) E.Mail received from Kim Asals regarding monies received from Sportlot for BMX track - Chair will look into this issue.

(iv) Letter received from Anna (student) thanking Council for £50 gift.

(v) Letter received from Olchfa School requesting a donation or sponsorship for their Quad Area Project. - Agreed to seek further details and place on next Agenda.

(vi) Letter received regarding recruitment campaign from South Wales Police Authority for five new independent members.

(vii) Invitation received to attend the celebration title name change to Swansea Metropolitan University on 4th September at 11 am in Brangwyn Hall.

(viii) Notice received of the replacement of water meter in Information Centre.

(ix) Complaints Book: (1) Despite Speed signs erected there is still a problem on Goetre Fach Road. (2) A large quantity (between 12/20) of black bags being put out every week outside 25 Fairwood Road - Chair will pass this complaint to Dunvant Cllrs.

(x) Literature received: Ombudsman Annual Report 2007/08, County Archivist Annual Report 2007/08 and Local Government Partnership Scheme 2006/07 & 2008.

Clerical Expenses: £10.59

(7) (d) Planning Committee

Cllr M. Jones left the meeting and took no part in this item. Cllr Jenkins read out all applications to which there were no observations but will look at the application to lop trees at N.C.H. The Chair returned to the meeting and informed members that 4/6 Landor Avenue has been refused, Hairdressers in Goetre Fawr Road refused, house in Olchfa Lane/Gower Road refused and 4 flats in Goetre Fach has been approved with an amendment to parking which will now allow for 5 spaces. The taxis have been in court - pleaded guilty and were fined £300 with £75 costs and promised to vacate premises the following day - at present they are still operating.

(7) (e) Computer Committee

Although not present the Chair thanked and congratulated Cllr M.Anton for his input and the excellent information on website. Proposed by Cllr Ireland seconded by Cllr Johnson that retrospective approval be given for payment of Broadband for £77.51.

(7) (f) Swansea in Bloom

Cllr Jenkins said all planting had been completed in flower beds and it was proposed by Cllr Hendy seconded by Cllr A. Anton that retrospective approval be given for payment made by Cllr Jenkins for plants in the sum of £57.00.

Cllr M. Anton re-entered the meeting at 8.42 pm.

(7) (g) Footpaths

Cllr Ireland said the little pond needs clearing.

(8) Financial Report

The Clerk reported the following balances:	Current Account	£ 510.22
	No. 1 Account	£ 5893.48
	No. 2 Account	£ 3868.60

(9) Killay Information and Tourist Centre Report

Cllr Williams said two committee meetings held to try and sort out shifts in shop - thanks to article in church magazine we now have four new volunteers; if anyone cannot do their shift please ring him. Balance sheets distributed for May - sales still quite poor. Proposed by Cllr Williams seconded by Cllr Johnson that invoice be paid to Rockbottom for £294.38. The Chair reminded all information centre workers that back door must be unlocked at start of shift, it is a fire escape and your responsibility.

(10) Information Point

Clerk said the new Information Point has now been ordered - should take approximately 6 - 8 weeks to deliver.

(11) Any Other Business

Cllr Williams said there were overhanging trees at 395/397 Gower Road

Clerk said lady came into Information Centre to complain about mess and blocked drain at the side of the Fish Shop - had a word with Fish Shop owner and he said the land belonged to Livingston precinct company; in the past he had applied to buy this parcel of land but was refused so he felt it was Livingston's responsibility. Also Co-op has suffered a spate of vandalism with drains pipes being ripped down and rubbish bin outside being tipped over. Pot holes are now a big problem in Cygnet Close.

Cllr Kennedy asked if the dog warden could visit Hendrefoilan Woods area as dog mess was a real problem.

Cllr Ireland reported large pot hole top of Broadmead/Goetre Fawr Road.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

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AGENDA FOR A MEETING TO BE HELD AT 417 GOWER ROAD
KILLAY ON WEDNESDAY 23rd JULY 2008 AT 7.30 pm

- (1) Apologies for Absence.
- (2) Declarations of Interest
- (3) Acceptance of the Minutes of the Meeting previously circulated held on 25/6/08.
- (4) Matters Arising from the Minutes.
- (5) Police & PACT Meeting Report
- (6) Correspondence.
- (7) Reports:
 - (a) Chairman
 - (b) Clerk
 - © City Councillors
 - (d) Planning Committee
 - (e) Computer Committee
 - (f) Swansea in Bloom
 - (g) Footpaths
- (8) Financial Report
- (9) Killay Information and Tourist Centre Report
- (10) Information Point
- (11) Replacement of Tree at Wimmerfield Avenue
- (12) Request for Donation from Olchfa School
- (13) Summer Events
- (14) Any Other Business

The next meeting will be held on 27/8/08 at 7.15 p.m.