

MARCH 2006

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE INFORMATION CENTRE

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

Members present: Cllr M.Jones in the Chair.

Cllrs: B.Brazil, E.Gunn, E.Ireland, F.Jenkins, B.Jones, S.Lee, M.Mayes, R.Murphy & A.Thomas.

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(1) Apologies for Absence.

Were received from Cllrs M.Farley-Hills, C.Jenkins & 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 22nd February 2006 having been previously circulated were agreed, accepted and signed as a true record.

(4) Matters Arising

re: Item 8 (b)(ii) Clerk said we cannot enter in Calor Village of Year Competition as we have over 5,000 residents.

re: Item 16 Chairman stated that all councillors will be invited to the opening of the new library.

(5) Police Report

Community Police Officers reported on several incidents in Killay and Hendrefoilan Student Village. Scrambler bikes continue to be an ongoing problem, one such incident recorded in Police Complaint Book. The Chair said there are plans to place a scrambler bike site on land at Glais Farm, Ynysforfan but there is some local opposition. Pulse Police Vehicle will be at Dunvant Square 31st March and 1st/2nd April.

Cllrs S.Lee and M.Mayes entered the meeting at 7.30 p.m.

(6) Correspondence

(a) Confirmation received that W.G.A.L.C. assets of £2480.95 have been transferred to One Voice Wales.

(b) Neighbourhood Watch members are having a table at the Spring Fayre at Brangwyn Hall on 22nd April at 10 am.

- (c) Letter received from Christian Evans of 15 Twyni Teg thanking Council for donation.
- (d) Next Safer Swansea Partnership meeting on 22nd June at 9.30 am in the Guildhall.
- (e) Day of Leisure, Pleasure and Health 'Life Begins @ 50+' being held at Manor Park Country House on Tuesday 28th March 10 am - 4pm.
- (f) Invitation to attend 'Advanced Commerce' breakfast at Liberty Stadium on Tuesday 4th April 8 am.

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

The Chair reported:

- (i) It is six months since Cllr Hillier has attended any meeting of the Council and the Clerk has a legal obligation to inform her that she now ceases to be a Councillor.
- (ii) She attended Mumbles Community Council meeting to speak on Egovernment programme.

(7) (b) Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported:

- (i) Pleased to announce that Jetaway, Salon One and Somerfields have paid Christmas lights bringing total cost down to £2946.67.
- (ii) Vat has been reclaimed and received in the sum of £1541.12.
- (iii) In view of the poor attendance at recent Forum meeting start time will now be 5 pm - next meeting 2nd May 5 pm.
- (iv) Evening Post asked if the Information Centre wished to place an advert supporting the opening of the new library (cheapest £48.50) - agreed to decline offer.
- (v) One item recorded in Complaints Book regarding fly tipping.
- (iv) Various literature received, including new arrangements for the licensing of mineral dredging from Helwick Bank, amendments to Standards Committee regulations, will be left in Information Centre.

Clerical Expenses: £12.95.

(7) (d) Planning Committee

Cllr M.Jones left the meeting and took no part in this item. Cllr Thomas reported that committee met on Monday and discussed all applications to which he had visited and said no relevant observations had been made. He proceeded to read out the weekly lists; also stated that 409 Gower Road - creation of vehicular access and Taxi Call Centre have lodged appeals. Have written to Planning Inspectorate stating that Taxi Rank have breached all conditions imposed by City and County of Swansea Planning Dept.

(8) Financial Report

The Treasurer reported the following balances:

Current Account	£1858.22
No. 1 Account	£3413.96
No. 2 Account	£3683.05

(9) Clerk's Salary

In accordance with the precept meeting it was agreed the Clerk's salary of £417 per month be raised to £420 per month.

(10) Reports (a) Communications Committee - Cllr Thomas said he needed more information for the website. It was agreed to have an Community Councillors information page on website with a profile of each councillor with photo - next meeting; Cllr Thomas to take photo. Hendrefoilan School have asked for a page on website. Proposed by Cllr Ireland seconded by Cllr Murphy that we pay invoice for 3 months Broadband to BT for £59.97 + vat 10.49 = £70.46. Proposed by Cllr B.Jones seconded by Cllr Lee that we pay Cllr Thomas £56.00 for Website Hosting Licence.

(b) Footpaths - Cllr F.Jenkins said weather not suitable for walking.

© **Swansea in Bloom** - Cllr B.Jones said committee had met and agreed to order 6 lamp standard baskets from City & County of Swansea @ £64.63 each = £387.78. Another lady had told her she was thrilled to have been chosen as one of the winners of best front garden competition.

(d) Entertainments Committee - Cllr Murphy said because of illness and work commitments he had been unable to call a meeting.

(11) St. David's Day Celebrations

The Chair said that although the event was not held on St David's Day because of the snow, the children put on an excellent parade up Gower Road and in the precinct which they thoroughly enjoyed. Welsh cakes, squash, tea and balloons provided by Community Council and Cllrs Farley-Hills and F.Jenkins had a table promoting the Eisteddfod material. Cllrs Thomas and Mayes were thanked for erecting marquee.

(12) Eisteddfod 2006 Report

Cllr F.Jenkins said herself and Cllr Farley-Hills attended a concert in Penyfro School and committee meeting in Found-Out. Many other fun raising activities planned ie Accordion Concert in Ebenezer Chapel on 1st April at 7 pm and Classical Guitar Concert in St. Hilary's in May. The Clerk said she has written stating £300 will be sent after 1st April and only items for sale in shop are pens and mugs all other items have to be ordered.

(13) Forum Meeting Report

Cllr Thomas reported on Forum meeting attended at which two topics were discussed (1) Presentation of Swansea Community Plan - Vision for the Future and (2) A very detailed report on Swansea Economic Regeneration Strategy.

(14) Report on Meeting re: Exhibition of 50th Anniversary of Gower

Cllr F. Jenkins reported on meeting held at Swansea Museum on 27th February - the name of the exhibition will be Golden Gower - next meeting Mon 3rd April 11 am at Swansea Museum.

(15) 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 - manning Centre on Saturday mornings still a problem and phone in shop not working. Proposed by Cllr Mayes seconded by Cllr B.Jones that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Dawsons in the sum of £1625.00 for rent for Nov/Dec & Jan. Proposed by Cllr Ireland seconded by Cllr Thomas that we pay invoice for rent due 1st March for £1625.00. Proposed by Cllr Murphy seconded by Cllr F.Jenkins that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Sampson Souvenirs for £42.73. Proposed by Cllr Mayes seconded by Cllr Gunn that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Rockbottom Wholesale for £192.97. Proposed by Cllr F.Jenkins seconded by Cllr Gunn that invoice from Stephen Pratt (jewellery) in the sum of £97.64 be paid. Proposed by Cllr F.Jenkins seconded by Cllr Thomas that we pay April rates to City and County of Swansea for £346.00 (increase of £9 per month).

(16) Any Other Business

Cllr Gunn reported on large amount of dog mess on pavements Rowan Close/Clyne Valley Road area.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35 pm