

MAY 2006

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE INFORMATION CENTRE

417 GOWER ROAD, KILLAY ON WEDNESDAY 24th MAY 2006 at 7.30 p.m

Members present: Cllr M.Jones in the Chair.

Cllrs: B.Brazil, M.Farley-Hills, E.Gunn, C.Jenkins, F.Jenkins, B.Jones, M.Mayes, R.Murphy,
A.Thomas & P.Williams.

Before the meeting commenced Cllr P.Williams thanked all members for their kind words of sympathy, support and cards received.

(1) Apologies for Absence.

Were received from Cllrs E.Ireland & S.Lee

(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 26th April 2006 having been previously circulated were agreed, accepted and signed as a true record.

(4) Matters Arising

re: Item 14 Chairman said the opening of the library was well attended by representatives of Community Council, very pleasant afternoon, a superb facility and an asset to the village - cheque for £110 handed over and photos available - will follow up complaints of land near library looking very untidy and builders debris in stream.

re: Item 15 Chairman said the grass verge near library in Woodcote has been reinstated and has once again been damaged.

Re: Item 4 Cllr Gunn said despite wardens patrolling the area the dog mess problem at Rowan

Close/Clyne Valley Road was as bad as ever.

(5) Police Report

In the absence of police presence there was no report.

(6) Correspondence

- (a) Next Neighbourhood Watch meeting is the A.G.M. which will be held in Brangwyn Hall on 6th June at 7 pm.
- (b) National Assembly Regional Committee Meeting will be held at Community Hall, Gwaun-cae-Gurwen on 9th June at 9.30 am.

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

The Chair reported:

- (i) She attended the Lord Mayor's inauguration - lovely day apart from the fact that the Lady Mayoress was taken to hospital after falling in Guildhall but she managed to attend evening function despite having a cracked shoulder.
- (ii) Herself and Clerk have received Ombudsman's Report regarding Cllr Hillier and will leave in office for members to read.

(7) (b) Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported:

- (i) Letter received from Environment Centre regarding recycling was noted.
- (ii) Letter received from City Council regarding Standards sub-committee vacancy - if Cllr C.Jenkins is still interested in position must apply directly.
- (iii) Letter received in relation to Lord Mayor's Civic Merit Awards which is being extended beyond city run community centres and will now include non-council run buildings.
- (iv) New dentists have now opened in Goetre Fawr Road.
- (v) Attended a packed meeting two weeks ago regarding closure of Fairwood Hospital and Ward 1 at Hill House - very strong feelings expressed against closure and urged members to write to N.H.S. to maintain these vital facilities.
- (vi) Cheque sent to Gower Society supporting Save our Sands campaign.
- (vii) Complaints recorded in book include trees cut down in Clyne Woods and being used for jumps for horses - Chair said this had been noted and reported and she had walked footpaths mentioned in last meeting - reported culvert in Olchfa Lane and city council attended immediately. Footpaths will

be designated with new numbers, should receive map shortly. A further complaint received about rubbish outside Salon One.

(iv) Various literature received will be left in Information Centre.

Clerical Expenses: £8.19

(7) (d) Planning Committee

Cllrs M.Jones left the meeting and took no part in this item. Cllrs F.Jenkins and M.Farley-Hills left the meeting before item regarding flats in Goetre Fawr Road was reported. Cllr Thomas explained that committee had objected to this application mainly because of traffic concerns and the overbearing impact on dwelling next door. Cllrs F.Jenkins and Farley-Hills re-entered the meeting. Committee met regarding application for a Fish & Chip Shop in Lime Grove/Broadmead at which two persons attended to raise their objections and those of others - it was also pointed out that a similar application was refused in 1998, therefore it was resolved that the residents would be supported and a letter of objection has been sent - two members of the public thanked the Community Council for their support. The planning committee will meet as soon as possible regarding an application to build a very large futuristic looking dwelling in Stephenson Road. There were no observations to other applications read out. Cllrs M.Jones re-entered the meeting and took the Chair.

(8) Financial Report

The Treasurer reported the following balances: Current Account £ 476.08

No. 1 Account £8913.96

No. 2 Account £3681.05

Precept of £6,500 received 27/4/06. Proposed by Cllr Thomas seconded by Cllr Williams that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Wales Audit Office for £293.75 for audit 2003/04.

(9) Reports (a) Communications Committee - As agreed in A.G.M. to change formula for this committee there was no report.

(b) Footpaths - No report.

© **Swansea in Bloom** - Cllr B.Jones said flower beds had been cleared and some plants purchased. Proposed by Cllr Williams seconded by Cllr Gunn that retrospective approval be given for payment made by the Clerk for plants in the sum of £46.50. Swansea in Bloom entry form filled in and committee will meet to discuss best garden competition.

(d) Entertainments Committee - As agreed in A.G.M. to change formula for this committee there was no report.

(10) Eisteddfod 2006 Report

Cllr F. Jenkins said concert in St. Hilary's has been cancelled - committee meeting tomorrow.

(11) Community Council Insurance

Proposed by Cllr Gunn seconded by Cllr B.Jones that we pay insurance to Cornhill Allianz in the sum of £532.83.

(12) Killay Information and Tourist Centre Report.

Cllr Williams reported committee meeting held Monday and it was agreed to carry out a stock check every four months. Despite several request decided not to purchase credit card machine and next month we will have been open five years. Cllr Thomas said he would like to see a flag pole outside Information Centre with Welsh flag - discuss at next committee meeting. The Clerk distributed balance sheets for April. Proposed by Cllr B.Jones seconded by Cllr Mayes that we pay invoice to Gower Society for £16.20 (books). Proposed by Cllr Gunn seconded by Cllr Thomas that retrospective approval be given for payment of electricity bill to SWALEC for £140.60. Proposed by Cllr F.Jenkins seconded by Cllr Murphy that we pay rent due 1st June to Dawsons for £1625.00. Proposed by Cllr B.Jones seconded by Cllr Farley-Hills that we pay water bill to Welsh Water for £83.02. Proposed by Cllr F.Jenkins seconded by Cllr Murphy that we pay invoice to Sampson Souvenirs for £46.53 (tea towels). Proposed by Cllr Gunn seconded by Cllr Thomas that we pay June rates to City and County of Swansea for £346.00. A Mid-Summer Fayre organised by the traders is being held in precinct on 21st June at which we have been invited to have stalls.

(13) Notice of Vacancy for One Member - West Ward - Update

The Clerk stated that she has informed Electoral Officer that notices have been placed for the vacancy - date expires tomorrow for an election to be called. If no election a notice for co-option for the vacancy will be advertised in time to co-opt at next meeting.

(14) Notice Board at Killay Library

Clerk said prices and sizes obtained and total cost approximately will be £400. Proposed by Cllr Farley-Hills seconded by Cllr C.Jenkins that the Clerk orders the Notice Board.

(15) Forum Meeting Report

As no representatives attended the last meeting the Chair gave a brief resume of items discussed.

(16) Any Other Business

Cllr Farley-Hills said pavement at Goetre Fawr Road needs sweeping and there is no letter box at the new library.

Cllr Gunn said there is a large pot-hole on pavement corner Rowan Close/Gower Road.

Cllr C.Jenkins said it had been brought to her attention that people were saying that the Community Council and Village Inn were to blame for the Village Diner closing down.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm