

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE INFORMATION CENTRE
417 GOWER ROAD, KILLAY ON WEDNESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2008 at 7.15 p.m

Members present: Cllr M.Jones in the Chair

Cllrs: N.Fletcher, J.Hendy, M.Idris, E.Ireland, T.Jackson, C.Jenkins, K.Johnson, B.Jones, G.Thomas & P.Williams.

Apologies for Absence.

Were received from: Cllrs A. Anton, M.Anton, O. Kennedy & M.Mayes.

(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.

Acceptance of the Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd October 2008 having been previously circulated were agreed, accepted and signed as a true record.

Matters Arising

re: Item (7) (b) (iii) Clerk said she has written once again to TV Licencing Authority regarding another person having given their name as buying a TV and using Information Centre address.

re: Item 14 Clerk said she has written to Headmaster of Olchfa regarding children dropping litter in precinct - Chair said she has spoken to Headmaster and has said that they are not responsible for actions of pupils once off the school premises but will look into the matter and mention in Assembly..

re: Item (14) (September minutes) Chair said all pot holes have been reported.

(5) Police Report & PACT meeting.

Nothing to report - next PACT meeting 26th January 2009 - 7pm in St Hilary's Church Hall.

(6) Correspondence

Letter received from British Heart Foundation thanking Council for donation of £170 raised at recent coffee morning.

(b) Invitation received to attend Boundary Commission for Wales - Workshops 2008 at The Hill, Abergavenny on 1st December at 10.30 a.m. or Halliwell Trinity College, Carmarthen on 10th December.

(a) Chairman's Report

The Chair reported:

The application for a Liquor Licence has been granted in respect of Units 1 & 2 Lime Grove.

(7) (b) Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported:

Code of Conduct Training will take place on 8th December at 5 pm in Council Chamber at the Civic Centre - very important to make every effort to attend this meeting.

Chair, Vice-Chair and Clerk recently attended Community Council Buffet Evening at Mansion House.

A Public Meeting regarding Urdd National Eisteddfod (being held in Swansea in 2011) is taking place on Wednesday 3rd December at George Hall, Brangwyn Hall

Have not received invoice for new Notice Board.

Have to adopt a new publication of the Freedom of Information Act from 1st January 2009.

Complaints Book - Mr David Williams came into Information Centre and complained to Cllr Hendy about both St. Hilary Drive signs missing - Chair said she was aware one had been knocked down and will pursue action.

Literature received: Clerk's Direct, Risk Reduction Action Plan, Health Council Annual Report 2008, Adjudication Panel for Wales Annual Report 2008 and Review of Community Council Election Results 2008.

Clerical Expenses: £24.02

(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. Cllr M. Jones returned to the Chair and said 503 Gower Road has been approved and plans for flats at Murco Garage will be resubmitted.

(7) (e) Computer Committee

No report but Clerk thanked Cllr Anton (absent) for Christmas posters. Proposed by Cllr Williams seconded by Cllr Jenkins that Clerk be reimbursed for purchase of 2 printer cartridges from Cartridge World for £22.00.

(f) Swansea in Bloom Committee

Cllr C.Jenkins said 80 bulbs have been planted in two flower beds. Proposed by Cllr Hendy seconded by Cllr Williams that retrospective approval be given for purchase of paint etc from CH Hardware for painting precinct seats for £42.00. Proposed by Cllr B.Jones seconded by Cllr Jenkins that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Ross Jones for £60 for painting seats. Proposed by Cllr Ireland seconded by Cllr Hendy that retrospective approval be given for payment made to K.Jenkins for new slat of wood for one seat for £14.00. Proposed by Cllr Johnson seconded by Cllr Ireland that retrospective approval be given for payment made to K.Jenkins for paint for railings for £30.00. Proposed by Cllr Hendy seconded by Cllr B.Jones that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Cllr C.Jenkins for flower bulbs and labour for mending seat for £19.33. Proposed by Cllr B.Jones seconded by Cllr C.Jenkins that a donation of £50 be made to C.H.Hardware towards his flower baskets.

(8) Financial Report

The Clerk reported the following balances:

Current Account £ 202.90

No. 1 Account

£ 4257.82

No. 2 Account

£ 3887.28

Date of Precept 2009/10 Meeting

It was resolved that the precept meeting will take place on Wednesday 14th January 2009 at 7 p.m.

Requests for Christmas Donations

The Clerk said there are three requests for donations; (1) St. Hilary's Lunch Club, (2) St. Hilary's Church Christmas Tree Festival (3) Killay Library. Cllrs B.Jones and E.Ireland left the meeting and took no part in discussions thereof. Proposed by Cllr Williams seconded by Cllr Jackson and agreed by a majority that £50 be donated to St. Hilary's Lunch Club and that Clerk and Cllr Hendy attend their Christmas dinner. Proposed by Cllr M.Jones seconded by Cllr Johnson and agreed by a majority that £30 be donated to St. Hilary's Church to sponsor Christmas tree. Proposed by Cllr M.Jones seconded by Cllr Hendy that £40 be donated to Killay Library to provide refreshments for the children visiting Christmas Grotto.

Representative for Community Governor - Hendrefoilan Primary School Governing Body

Cllr Mary Idris was unanimously selected to be our representative on the Hendrefoilan Primary School Governing Body.

(12) Killay Information and Tourist Centre Report

Cllr P. Williams said committee meeting held on Monday, sales very good for October and £326.81 raised at Christmas Fayre in Village Inn. Clerk said herself and Chair met with Landlord, very little progress made regarding repairs, but door lock has been mended and the leak will be attended to. Will arrange for wall inside door to be plastered when leak repaired and door and window sill painted. Balance sheets distributed for October. Proposed by Cllr Johnson seconded by Cllr Jackson that retrospective approval be given for payment made to SWALEC for £109.06. Proposed by Cllr Williams seconded by Cllr B.Jones that retrospective approval be given for payment made to Welsh Water for £hair

said Lord Mayor's Christmas Party will be held on Sunday 14th December at 7 p.m. Tickets £10 anyone wishes to attend and we will be having a stall there.

(13) Christmas Lights and Events

Clerk reported quotation received for lights amounting to £3234.00 and will be placing new lights on Surf Shop. Nothing heard regarding Council grant. Sleigh will cost £150.00. Proposed by Cllr Johnson seconded by Cllr Ireland that retrospective approval be given for payment of £152.75 to Gower Fresh Christmas trees. Proposed by Cllr Williams seconded by Cllr B.Jones that retrospective approval be given for payment made by Clerk for crisps and sweets in the sum of £41.60. Proposed by Cllr Jackson seconded by Cllr Hendy that £15 be paid to men who erected trees. Grotto to be held on Saturday 6th December members needed to help. Carol Service is on 14th December 6 pm in precinct and Thursday 10th December at 10 am decoration of tree in St. Hilary's. Agreed to hold Council Christmas meal on Thursday 8th January at 6.30 pm in Village Inn.

(14) Forum Meeting Report

Clerk reported briefly on meeting at which Air Quality was topic - most interesting - worst pollution areas being Sketty Cross, Uplands, Fforestfach and Llansamlet (near Tesco's). Most pollutants come from transport and traffic congestion causes serious problems. There are various monitoring stations in Swansea. The Chair also gave a brief update on Local Service Boards.

(15) Any Other Business

Cllr Ireland reported that she had actually seen a lady clearing a drain at the bottom of Kensington Close/Broadmead.

Cllr Jackson said he had been approached by a member of Killay & Duvant Senior Citizens regarding possible closure - Chair explained this was not because of lack of funding or venue; it was a case of losing its Chairman and not finding a replacement.

Cllr Idris reported on illegal parking in Wimmerfield Avenue with cars obstructing driveways by parking on white lines - Chair said she would ask wardens to visit the area.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

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