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| **Minutes of Meeting of the Community & Social Development Committee held on 16 October 2024 at**   **The Ostreme Centre 6.30pm and**  **via TEAMS** | |
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|  | **Councillors Present:** CllrsIan Scott (Chair), Francesca 0’Brien, and Will Thomas |
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|  | **Officers Present:**  Ian Hughes - CSO |
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| **CM2410-01** | **Apologies:** Cllrs Phil Keeton, Rhian Evans (Vice Chair), Pam Erasmus and Angela O’Connor |
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| **CM2410-02** | **Declarations of Interest** |
|  | None |
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| **CM2410-03**  **CM2410-04**  **CM2410-05**  **CM2410-06**  **CM2410-07**  **CM2410-08**  **CM2410-09**  **CM2410-10** | **To approve the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record.**  **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes from the 18th of September 2024, meeting as a true and accurate record.  **Outstanding Actions from Previous Meetings**  The CSO outlined outstanding actions.  **RESOLVED**  ‘Outstanding action’ report to be updated by CSO.  **Budget Monitoring Reports to 31/08/2024**  Reports attached.  Financial reports prepared by RFO, Paul Beynon who had previously circulated the documents to councillors.  Two queries had been raised with The RFO by The Chair, Cllr Ian Scott prior to the meeting. The CSO updated the committee on behalf of The RFO:-  **Firstly** in relation to the re-surfacing of the basketball court at Langland, the RFO had contacted the company who had been appointed to renew the fencing and who are also able to provide the new surface. The RFO will be meeting the contractor on site on 24/10/2024 after which they will be able to provide a quote for the re-surfacing. Further update to be provided at November Committee.  **Secondly** the budget for the Mumbles Bowls Green is £5,000 and has been since 2022/23 when it was first put into the Council's budget. As the £5,000 has not been spent it has been carried forward each year and appeared as £5,000 in each subsequent year's budget.  **RESOLVED** to approve the budget monitoring report to 31st  August 2024.  **Budget 2025/26**  The Chair, Cllr Scott outlined the need for budget proposal forms to be submitted to The RFO before 31st October 2024. Future proposals discussed:-  Cllr Thomas outlined the following potential projects: -   * Following the success of The Underhill Park Development, bollard lighting suggested between the 3G Pitch and the Car Park Footpath. This would not fall within the auspices of the Swansea Active Team Project and early estimates suggest that the cost would be in the region of £15, 000. * Further to his on-going proposal to install new exercise equipment at Underhill Park and on-going commitments to install equipment at West Cross, perhaps two pieces of equipment can be replaced per year. This would be dependant upon an on-going review of equipment and budget availability. * RFO, Paul Beynon to be consulted over budget availability including the potential of ‘virement’ to fund or partially fund a viewing area for spectators at Underhill Park. Currently spectators, predominantly parents watch matches through wire mesh from a footpath resulting in badly obscured view. It is suggested that a viewing area be extended to the length of the far side to a depth of about 3 metres allowing spectators to have an uninterrupted view. This would be similar to the arrangement at the Swansea University Playing Fields, Cllr Thomas will be meeting MCA on 17.10.24 to discuss the issues involved.   Cllr Scott outlined proposals for pillar lighting to be installed between the bus stop in Murton Lane and Summerland Lane, Newton.  **ACTION:** CSO to request that RFO, Paul Beynon forward budget proposal forms to each councillor or committee.  **RESLOVED:** That budget proposal forms be submitted to RFO, Paul Beynon before 31st October 2024.  **Update re- Community Asset Transfer of Hennebont Gardens.**  The Chair, Cllr Scott updated the committee that the issue of a  Community Asset Transfer for Hennebont Gardens was discussed at Full Council on 8.10.24 and that there was no likelihood of the matter progressing  **RESOLVED:** that in light of the discussion at Full Council in October 2024 that the issue of a Community Asset Transfer for Hennebont Gardens be removed as a future agenda item.  **Exercise Equipment on West Cross Seafront**  The issue of exercise equipment on West Cross Seafront was discussed both within the outstanding actions agenda item (**CM2410-04** refers) and under the Budget 20256/26 Agenda Item (**CM2410-06** refers).  **Underhill Park Exercise Park (Budget Proposal Form) – Cllr Thomas**  This is an am-going issue which was discussed under The Budget 2025/26 agenda item (**CM2410-06** refers  **Update in Langland Tennis Courts**  An update on Langland Tennis Courts was previously provided by The RFO at The Budget Monitoring Reports Agenda Item (**CM2410-05** refers).  In addition, a discussion took place in relation to the maintenance of the vegetation surrounding Langland Courts, following complaints made by local residents to Cllr Scott. The Committee believed that responsibility for maintaining the shrubbery etc rests with SCC, but believed that MCC’s new grounds person may be able to assist or that the Clerk could liaise with SCC.  **ACTION:** The CSO to e-mail The Clerk and request that she consider utilising The Grounds Person for maintenance of shrubbery around Langland tennis Courts or whether SCC should be contacted and requested to increase their frequency of ground maintenance visits.  Meeting finished 7.04pm  Next Meeting 20th November 2024 |
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