

Minutes of the Council Meeting

13 February 2018

MINUTES of the MONTHLY MEETING of MUMBLES COMMUNITY COUNCIL held in the Council Office, Walters Crescent, Mumbles on Tuesday 13 February 2018

Present:

034.02 Councillors(s) .18

Tim Bull
Pam Erasmus
Gareth Ford
Adam Gilbert
Mike Griffiths
Sara Keeton
Rob Marshall

Councillors(s)

Myles Langstone
Helen Mitchell
Philip Reason
Ian Scott
Carwyn Thomas
William Thomas
Carrie Townsend Jones

035.02 In attendance:

Steve Heydon (Clerk)

036.02 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs: Matthew Gilbert, Kate Smith, Matthew Smith & Linda Tyler-Lloyd

037.02 Declarations of Interest

Gareth Ford expressed a personal and prejudicial interest in 057.02 as a Governor of the school.

Pam Erasmus expressed a personal interest in 058.02 as an MCC-appointed Governor of the school.

Will Thomas expressed a personal and prejudicial interest in 049.02 as a member of the working group.

038.02 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 9 January 2018

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 9 January 2018.

039.02 Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 18 January 2018

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040.02 Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 29 January 2018

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Clerk's Report

041.02 Request to formally approve absence

The Clerk reported that Cllr Adam Gilbert is planning a charity expedition on the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) - a walk from Mexico to Canada. Leaving on March 27th he will return sometime mid-to late September. Concerned that he may become disqualified as councillor under the six-month rule he is asking Council to formally approve his reason for absence.

RESOLVED to formally accept Cllr Adam Gilbert's apologies and approve his reason for absence.

042.02 Invitation to Hennebont

RESOLVED that the Mayor of Hennebont be officially invited to Mumbles.

043.02 Request by Mumbles Forum to Hold Meetings in the Council Office

RESOLVED that the Mumbles Forum be allowed to hold their meetings in the Council Office

044.02 Chairman's Report

The Chairman read his report which had previously been circulated.

RESOLVED to accept the report.

Planning Applications

045.02 Cllrs Myles Langstone & Will Thomas left the meeting room.

046.02 All planning applications were passed as either 'Support C&CS planning/tree officer/no decision' or 'No Objection' save for 2017/2641/S73 which was referred to a Special Meeting of Council.

047.02 Cllrs Myles Langstone & Will Thomas returned to the meeting room.

048.02 Santander Bike Scheme

See Documentation in Dropbox.

RESOLVED that the desired location of Hub in Mumbles be in front of Prezzo and that the permission of the landowner be sought.

049.02 Mumbles Community Association – Underhill

RESOLVED that MCC commit financial support of either £300,000 (£150,000 from the 2018/19 financial year and £150,000 from the 2019/20 financial year) or 50% of phase one funding, whichever is the lower, for the Underhill sports/community facilities, which will enable Mumbles Community Association to apply for match funding grants.

050.02 Langland Tennis Courts

Following consideration of the report from Cllr Will Thomas:

RESOLVED to reluctantly accept the advice of C&CS officers and that the trees are a safety hazard and should be removed.

RESOLVED that a working party been formed, reporting directly to Council, with the following membership: Will Thomas (Chair), Ian Scott, Rob Marshall, Carrie Townsend Jones and the Clerk.

051.02 New Storage Proposals

RESOLVED that MCC move stored items to Complete Self Storage at a cost of £62.50 per month plus VAT.

052.02 Cllr Rob Marshall left the meeting

053.02 Data Protection Officer

RESOLVED that MCC express an interest in asking C&CS to fulfil this role.

054.02 Insurance Renewal

Please find quotes in Dropbox

RESOLVED that the Insurance offered by Came & Co be taken out.

055.02 Coastal Communities Grant

RESOLVED that an application to the new round of funding be made either in support of the Langland Tennis Courts proposal or a proposed development scheme at the Bowls Club depending on outcome of meeting with C&CS.

Recommendations by the F&GP Committee

056.02 Church Clock

All Saints Church grant request for £7,610 + VAT to repair the mechanism of the Church Clock.

RESOLVED that a grant of £2,537 + VAT be made.

057.02 Grant Request from Whitestone Primary School

The grant request has been reduced to a total of £14,460. Agreed that we should offer them 50% and suggest to them that they look at other grant funding such as Sport Wales for the rest of the money.

RESOLVED that a grant of £7230, representing 50% of that requested be approved and that it would be available for the full 2018-19 financial year to allow them time to raise the rest of the money.

058.02 Grant Request from Grange Primary School

Grant requested totalled £13,850. Agreed that we should offer them 75% of the grant as the sum available from other sources is approximately 25% of the total.

RESOLVED that a grant of £10,388, representing 75% of that requested be approved and that it would be available for the full 2018-19 financial year to allow them time to raise the rest of the money.

059.02 Grant Request from Mumbles Development Trust for Dragon Parade

RESOLVED that a grant of £1,000 be paid.

060.02 Review of the Local Council Sector

RESOLVED that members complete the survey.

Financial Report

RESOLVED to approve the following invoices:

	Chq No	Payee	Net	VAT	Gross
061.02	3702	Clive Atkins & Co Ltd	£30.00	£6.00	£36.00
062.02	3703	Phillips Services (Wales) Ltd	£14,810.00	£2,962.00	£17,772.00
063.02	3704	First West of England Ltd	£428.00	£0.00	£428.00
064.02	3705	SD Purton	£60.00	£0.00	£60.00
065.02	3706	City & County of Swansea	£6,158.25	£0.00	£6,158.25
066.02	3707	Camedee Properties Ltd	£221.04	£0.00	£221.04
067.02	3708	Npower	£50.63	£2.53	£53.16
068.02	3709	Caswell Catering	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00
069.02	3710	Newton Village Hall	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00
070.02	3711	HMRC	£134.98	£0.00	£134.98
071.02	S.O.	Steve Heydon	£1,031.28	£0.00	£1,031.28
072.02	S.O.	Portacover Machine	£108.33	£21.67	£130.00
073.02	S.O.	Nest Pension	£12.28	£0.00	£12.28
074.02	3712	Manoeuvre Media	£560.00	£0.00	£560.00
075.02	3713	CDN Planning	375.15	75.03	450.18

RESOLVED to note the following bank balances

076.02	£26,885.66
077.02	£115,274.51

078.02 Virement

RESOLVED that the following virement be approved to enable Development Committee to proceed with certain projects this financial year:

To DV1 (Civic Amenities) - £2,941 from unspent monies in 2016/17, £2,800 remaining in the funds earmarked for the Bowls Club, £1,500 unspent from DV5 (Notice Boards) and £1,246 from DV7 (Signposting Outdoor Gym)

To DV2 (Lamp Standard Painting) £1,158 from DV1 (Civic Amenities).

To DV6 (Outdoor Gym) £2,804 from DV1 (Civic Amenities).

Recommendations made by the MME Committee

079.02 (After) Christmas Party at West Cross Community Centre

RESOLVED that this planned event go ahead at a cost of no more than £500.

080.02 Newsletter

Because the final draft was not available:

RESOLVED that the final draft be circulated, and the Clerk notify our contractor once it is approved for printing & delivery.

081.02 Website

Details of how to view the unpublished site have been circulated.

RESOLVED that the Website be approved for publication.

082.02 Paraclete Chapel, Newton

Plans for 'drop kerb' on Dropbox.

RESOLVED that MCC pay £800.00 to enable this work to proceed.

083.02 Dangerous Parking, Brynfield Road, Newton

Meeting held between MCC & C&CS on 8 November 2017. Work needed to be done, agreed. Plans available on Dropbox.

RECOMMEND that MCC pay £1,681.25 to enable this work to proceed.

084.02 Alma Road

Plans are on Dropbox.

RESOLVED that MCC pay £2,190.29 to enable this work to proceed.

085.02 Purchase of Survey Monkey

RESOLVED that that MCC take out an annual contract with Survey Monkey at a cost of £372 a year. This will enable us to carry out an unlimited number of surveys of any number of questions and to see all the results as they come in.

086.02 Summerland Lane

RESOLVED that we ask CDN if there is anything further that MCC could or should do to object to the planning approval at the Summerland Lane site. Work to cost no more than £1,000.

Meeting Closed at 9.06pm.