

**Minutes of Meeting of the  
Environmental Committee  
held on 24 October 2022 at 6.30 pm  
(Hybrid Meeting Ostreme Centre and via Zoom)**

**Councillors Present:** Helen Nelson (Chair), Rhian Evans, Ed Hall, Angela O'Connor and Carrie Townsend Jones

**Officer Present:** Paul Beynon, Lydia Graham and Meg Jordan

**EN2210-01 Apologies:**

Chris Evans, Richard Jarvis and Sara Keeton

**EN2210-02 Declarations of Interest**

None

**EN2210-03 Minutes of previous meetings**

**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 2 October 2022 as a true record.

**EN2210-04 Actions arising from previous meetings**

**ACTION** – Environmental Engagement and Sustainability Officer to contact Pennard Community Council to discuss installation of water bottle fillers.

**ACTION** – meeting urgently required between SABA, Renewable Energy Consultant and Underhill Contractor's site manager. Helen and Rhian to raise with site manager at visit to Underhill development on 28/10/2022.

**ACTION** – Helen/Carrie/RFO to meet to discuss grant applications.

**EN2210-05 Welcome to Environmental Engagement and Sustainability Officer**

Chair welcomed Lydia Graham to her first meeting and said that Lydia had a key role to play in driving forward the Committee's ambitions. Lydia introduced herself and outlined her background

**ACTION** – an Outline Work Programme for Lydia is to be developed by the Chair and clerk

**EN2210-06 Lanes Project**

Carrie had been approached by a resident of Woodville Road who has been in contact with residents of Kings Road and Oakland Road. All 3 roads had rear lanes which were in parts overgrown and in need to maintenance. The lanes were well used as they were a safer route than the main roads.

The residents would like to work with the Living Streets charity to improve the lanes and had asked what support Mumbles Community Council could provide.

**ACTION** – Carrie, Lydia and Meg to meet with the residents to have a walkabout meeting in the lanes to discuss a way forward and report back to a future meeting of the Committee

#### EN2210-07 **Street Furniture**

The Committee has an initial budget of £5,000 in 2022/23 for street furniture and a list of councillor requests has been drawn up which exceeded the budget. However due to underspends in previous years reserves had been carried forward and added to the budget making a total of £14,700 available,

**RECOMMENDED** – that the items shown in the following table be purchased

£1,350	Bench and picnic table Yalton Park, West Cross	Originally requested by Cllr Rhian Evans
£1,350	Bench and picnic table Mumbles Hill, Oystermouth	Originally requested by Cllr Will Thomas
£350	Additional bench at new park West Cross	Originally requested by Cllr Rhian Evans
£350	Replacement bench on Mayals Green (the one there is broken)	Originally requested by Cllr Helen Nelson
£400	Notice board for Highmead Park, Newton	Originally requested by Cllr Ian Scott
£400	New notice board for Mayals (top or bottom of Mayals Road.	Originally requested by Cllr Helen Nelson
£750	Bike racks (x 5) Location TBC	Requested by 2 members of the public
<b>£4,950</b>		

\*Costings approximate.

**ACTION** – the long list of requests be reported to the next meeting of the Committee to decide what further purchases should be recommended from the additional funding identified.

**RESOLVED** – that community art projects such as the painting of murals on telephone cabinets also be included as street furniture.

#### EN2210-08 **Wildflower Planting**

A budget of £100 is available for the Mayals, Newton and West Cross wards with £200 available for the Oystermouth ward.

**ACTION** – Councillors be requested to identify locations for the planting ASAP.

**EN2210-09 Dog Mess and Rats**

A number of potential actions were raised and discussed to prevent dog mess and rats.

**ACTION** – hold a meeting with Mumbles Chamber of Trade to discuss how businesses can be encouraged to be involved in preventative measures

**ACTION** – Helen to summarise suggestions and actions for Lydia to take forward

**EN2210-10 Budget 2023/24**

The budget to be recommended to Council in January 2023 will need to be approved at the November meeting of the Committee

**ACTION** – RFO to circulate Budget Proposal Form to all members of the Committee

**ACTION** – Committee members to review budget and suggest potential items for inclusion in the 2023/24 budget.

**EN2210-11 Date of next meeting**

28 November 2022.