

MINUTES of the **ENVIRONMENTAL WELL-BEING COMMITTEE MEETING** of Mumbles Community Council held on Monday, 6 September 2021 at 6 pm via Zoom

EV.21.134 Present:

Councillors: Rebecca Fogarty, Richard Jarvis, Sara Keeton & Carrie Townsend Jones

Members: Ed Hall

EV.21.134 Apologies:

Councillors: Pam Erasmus, & Gareth Ford
Members: Ruth Cronin

EV.21.135 In attendance

Mr Steve Heydon (Clerk)
Mx Jasmine Weedon (Environmental Engagement Officer)

EV.21.136 Declarations of Interest

None.

EV.21.137 Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 August 2021

RESOLVED that these be accepted as a true record.

EV.21.138 Action Points

Outstanding action points were:

JASMINE to prepare a brief overview of how Mumbles might become Carbon neutral for October meeting.

STEVE to check whether Swansea Council scheme will still be able to produce wooden planters for the walls of Ostreme.

EV.21.139 Underhill Environmental Actions

RECOMMEND that, using the Underhill Budget:

- i. Our consultant is invited to a meeting with MCC/MCA to discuss the report at a cost of £285

- ii. Following the meeting, MCC consultant to produce a costed list of actions to be considered at a cost of £450

EV.21.140 Environmental Officer's Report

EEO ran through their written report, including the following items:

EV.21.141 Mumbles in Bloom – Decent entry so far – Mumbles in Bloom cards now ready.

EV.21.142 Climate Emergency Meeting/ Carbon Neutral Mumbles

Initial, hybrid meeting went well and resulted in a fantastic discussion at the end. Discussed signage regarding the problem of idling of engines which was an often raised point at the meeting, plus the possibility of MCC-produced bumper stickers for residents. Bring to schools for design.

EV.21.143 The Woodland Investment Grant – not able to get everything together this year due to the technical issues with the websites together with the unexpected detail required for what is only a stage one application. Will put together a larger proposal ready for the next tranche of funding (expected next year).

EV.21.144 Rota for (i) SMUGS (ii) Jubilee Gardens (iii) Community Orchard – From Sunday 26 September weekend working and will include additional SMUGS days during the week. EEO will circulate rota.

EV.21.145 Social Media – Huge increase – 6,000% increase in readership of environmental social media pages.

EV.21.146 SMUGS Project – Chair and Vice Chair together with EEO and Clerk met to discuss outstanding issues and agree a new timeline. Will send out details to steering committee members in the next week or so.

EV.21.147 Cleansing SLA – Second meeting held today with Swansea Council. Agreed that we would invest in deep cleansing, utilising an operative over two days a week. Each month MCC would produce a schedule of the works to be undertaken. Before and after photos would be sent to us. An electric van and manual weed clearing equipment would be provided.

EV.21.148 E-Cargo Bike Pilot – Sustrans have offered MCC two e-cargo bikes – one for our project and one for a volunteer shop. Carrie has spoken to Swansea University about students who might be willing to build the business. Ed & Richard with Jasmine to get together. Could discuss with Oyster Cabs.

EV.21.150 Budget Monitoring Report

Committee did an excellent job – only budget not spent were on community amenities (water bottle fillers, which will be hired and installed shortly) and the Cleansing budget, where Swansea Council have been late in sending in the invoice.

EV.21.151 Meeting closed at 7.43 pm