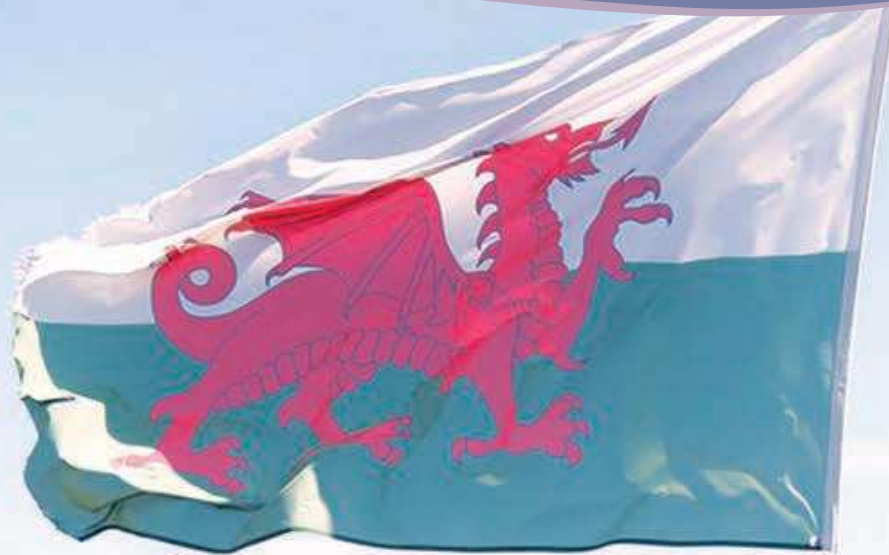


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A WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN



I am now coming to the end of 4 years as the Chairman of Mumbles Community Council (MCC). It has been a privilege and an honour to have represented MCC at many various events and functions

Over the years I have attended poignant ceremonies, such as Remembrance Services and the laying of wreaths, honouring our brave men and women who have given their lives, enabling us to value the lives we now lead today.

The enjoyable events include the Mumbles Raft Race, the launching of the new Inshore Lifeboat and the 'state of the art' Tamar Lifeboat, Maytime in Mumbles, It's a Knockout, Music in the Park, Tea Parties in Ostreme, Mumbles in Bloom, Honour of Mumbles and not forgetting the lighting of our beacon on Oystermouth Castle and meeting The Princess Royal, Princess Anne.

I feel MCC has really reached out into the community.

It has also been a privilege to have shared in the celebrations of Mumbles residents who attained their 100th birthdays.

Also, over the past couple of years, MCC lost two previous stalwart members, who are, sadly, missed.

As you are aware, the local elections are to be held this coming May, and the 'faces' over the past years could change, but I'm sure that re-elected and / or new councillors will continue to support the community which we serve.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those councillors who had enough faith in me to be the Chairman over the past 4 years, and also express a big 'Thank you' to you, our residents, for your continued support.

Cllr. Helen Mitchell

Chairman

Mumbles Community

How is it calculated? Where is it on my council tax bill?

The Precept is the amount added to each residential Council Tax Payer's Bill in respect of Mumbles Community Council's spending plans for the financial year.

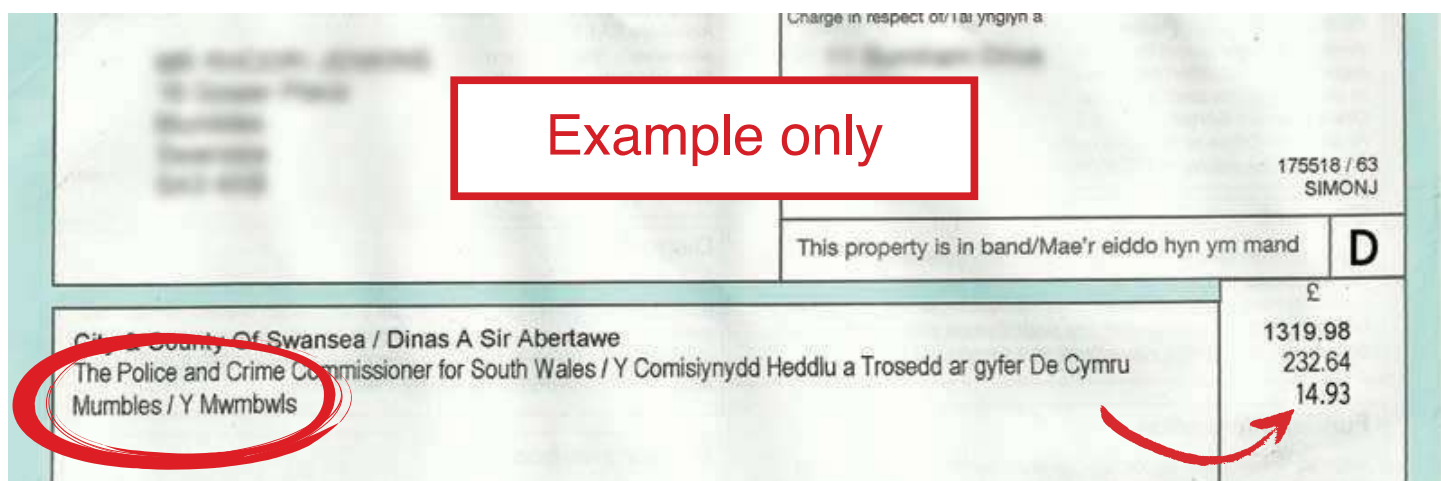
Every January MCC sets a budget for the next financial year detailing what it intends to spend your money on. Careful consideration is given to ensure a balance between spending money on improving the area and keeping the tax burden as low as possible.

Once the budget has been set, the precept is calculated. This figure is always less than the budget for two reasons. Firstly, MCC is

obliged to have a contingency fund - which is set at £25,000. This is considered by our independent auditor as being on the low side, but adequate. Secondly, despite our best efforts, not all our intended projects are completed within the financial year and therefore we hold that money in our account toward the following financial year's precept.

For 2017 we set the budget at £248,136 and the precept at £126,305. This equates to a Band D property precept payment of £13.13.

The councils full budget and the precept calculation for 2017 / 18 is available on the council's website.



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This property is in band/Mae'r eiddo hyn ym mand **D**

£

City & County Of Swansea / Dinas A Sir Abertawe	1319.98
The Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales / Y Comisiynydd Heddlu a Trosedd ar gyfer De Cymru	232.64
Mumbles / Y Mwmbwls	14.93

Example only



We can finally see the initial results of the Tivoli redevelopment with the opening of the first two commercial units in the Oyster Wharf.

Both Prezzo and Croeso Lounges have proved popular since opening in October. The rest of the units will be fully opened to the public by the beginning of May - La Bistro Pierre and La Parrilla, part of local family business La Brasserie.



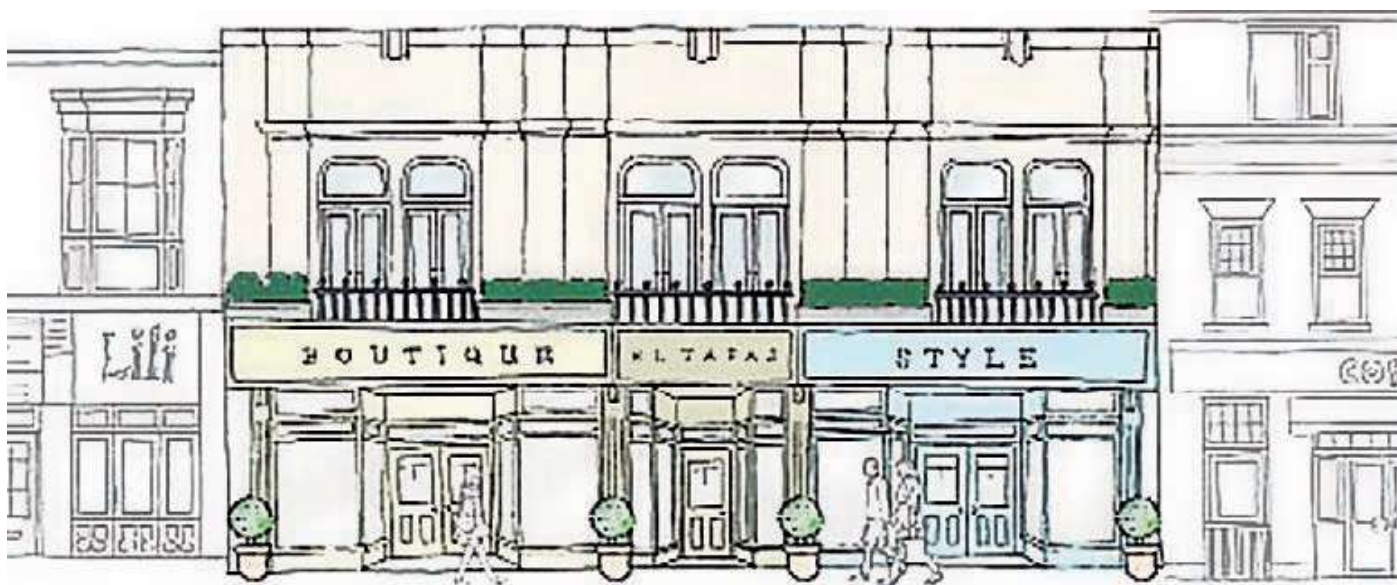
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Work started on the old Co-op next to Costa Coffee at the end of January and these units are expected to open around May time. The new units will incorporate Joules and Seasalt with Taylor Interiors above. Thus increasing the much needed retail offer along Mumbles Road and aiding the upward development of this area.

Further down at the Antelope, work is proceeding and once the interior ground work has been finished there should be some visible external upgrading from March onwards. This will be a further step forward in the on going development of the village.

GRANTS AWARDS 2016

Grants awarded in 2016 - January 2016 to December 2016

JAN		
FEB	Bobath Children's Therapy Wales	£50
MARCH	Ariosa Singers	£266
	Mayals School	£1000
	Mumbles Tourism Association	£1000
APRIL	Baywood Community Centre	£1000
	Tenovus	£250
	Mumbles Rangers Boys & Girls Club	£500
	Holy Cross Church, West Cross	£250
	Mumbles Cricket Club	£5000
	Mumbles Rugby Club	£2000
MAY		
JUNE		
JULY		
AUG	Mumbles Rangers Boys & Girls Club	£100
SEP	Mumbles Festival of Music & the Arts	£149
OCT		
NOV		
DEC		
TOTAL		£11565

SO... ..WHAT HAS THE **COMMUNITY COUNCIL** EVER DONE FOR US?



Just some of the **EVENTS, INITIATIVES, SPONSORSHIP, GRANTS, COMMUNITY AID, HIGHWAYS ISSUES, PLANNING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS & SUPPORT**
That goes to make our community the vibrant and
unique place to live and visit



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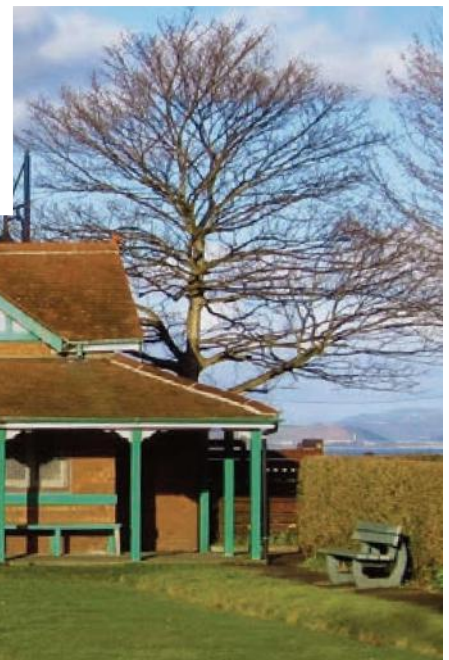
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Cricket tournament



Southend tree illuminations



Twinning ceremony



Honour of Mumbles winner



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Mumbles in Bloom winner



Salvation Army band West Cross



Winner Mumbles in Bloom



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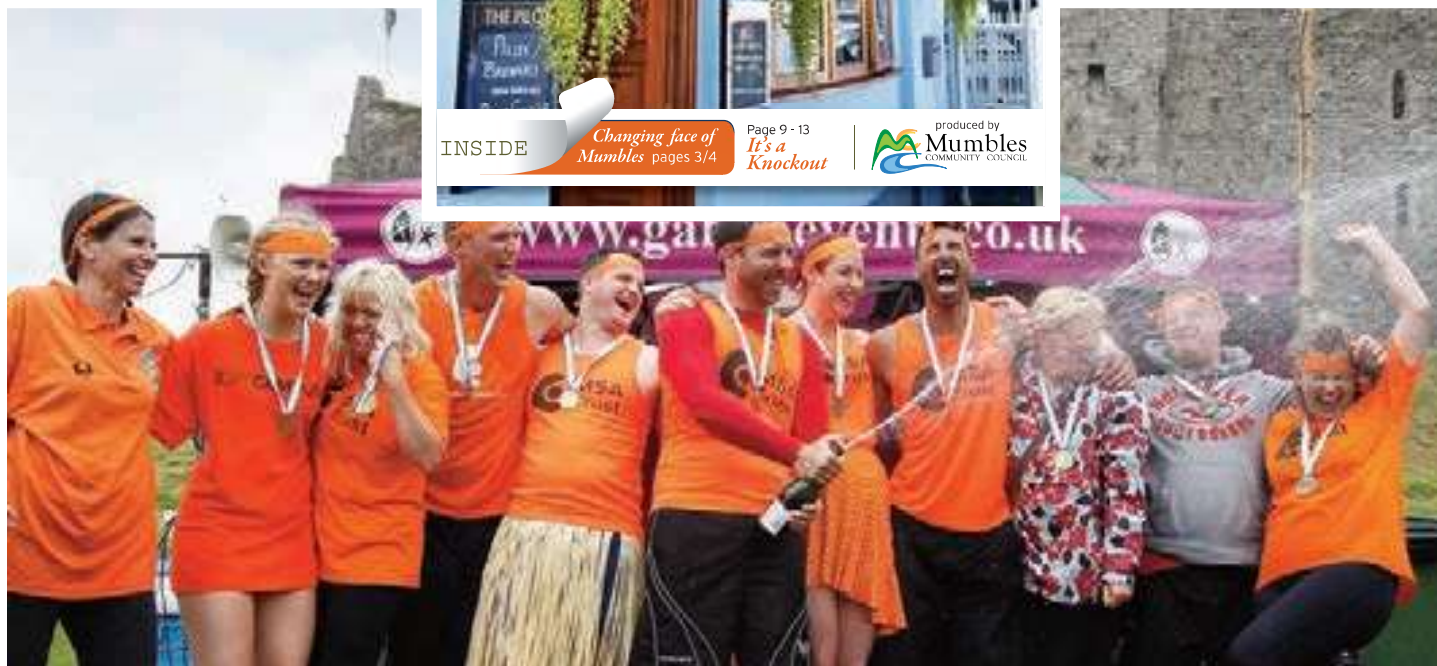


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Community and town councils are accountable to local people and have a duty to represent the interests of the different parts of the community equally. This is your community council so if you have any questions or suggestions and ideas of

how we can improve the community, add worth to what is already being done and generally helping to make it a better place to work, live and visit then please contact us via the clerk below;

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SOCIAL
EVENTS

MORE
COMMUNICATION



MORE
GRANTS

MAYTIME IN
MUMBLES

WALES/
MUMBLES
IN BLOOM

MORE
COMMUNITY

WORKING
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YOU

MUMBLES'
GOT
TALENT

Mumbles Community Council

hold its full council meetings on the second Tuesday of each month, in the Council Office, Walters Crescent, Mumbles, commencing at 7pm.

Members of the public are welcomed to attend. Details of the agendas for both full council and committee meetings are displayed on the Noticeboard, outside the office, and can also be viewed, on line, on www.mumbles.gov.uk

Come and see what's being planned and how the council works.

MCC is sorry to report that our efforts to make the road alongside St. Peter's Church, Newton a safer, less congested area, has been unsuccessful.

Two MCC representatives met with the C&CS Cabinet Member for Transportation, Cllr. David Hopkins and the C&CS Newton Ward Member, Cllr. Miles Thomas, who unbeknown to MCC, with no prior notice, was accompanied by a representative of St. Peter's Church and a representative of Newton Hall.

Although MCC's proposals were supported by the Police, the Bus Company and 360+ petitioners, the decision went against MCC.

MCC's Highways Committee does its best to respond to requests received, and currently there are various issues ongoing in the 4 Wards. Highways also deal with not only road safety but also the Christmas lights and Mumbles/Swansea/Wales in Bloom.



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

For Christmas 2016, the Illuminations were again extended to cover more of Mumbles Road. The Christmas trees, as in previous years, were installed at Blackpill, West Cross and Oystermouth.

Unfortunately, the tree in Oystermouth was again vandalised, but was swiftly repaired by MCC electrical contractors, with no further problems.

MCC has received very favourable 'feedback' from the public regarding the display.

The 'living tree', earmarked for Picket Mead,

has been ordered, following MCC having the necessary permissions, and should be planted soon, if it has not already been planted.

After considerable delay, the tree in Southend Gardens, has now been 'dressed' with new white lights and 'switch on' took place before Christmas.



MUMBLES & WALES IN BLOOM



**BRITAIN
IN BLOOM**
with the RHS



Following on from our victory in 2016 - MCC will again, be entering the Wales in Bloom competition, aiming to improving on last year's silver award. We will, also, this coming summer, be entering Swansea in Bloom

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the four wards for displays with the utmost 'kerb appeal' amongst residential front gardens, including container displays, commercial premises, shop fronts, public houses, restaurants and communities. Schools will also be included.

We are sorry, but rear/back gardens will not be included. Judging, as per Wales in Bloom, will take place June/July by independent judges.

There is no entry form, but should you like to draw our attention to a particular display, please contact Mumbles Community Council, either by post, telephone or email. Our details are on the back cover of this Newsletter

For more information:

www.mumblesinbloom.wales



Here we are, at the beginning of another year, planning forthcoming events.

We have listened to and welcomed feedback from you, the public and, where possible, made adjustments/changes in response to the many positive comments and helpful suggestions we have received.

It is important that, as a Council, we respond to and reflect the wishes and expectations of our community as far as we are able.

We commence 2017 by forging a partnership with **The Kite Academy of Performing Arts**.

Throughout the month of **MARCH** auditions will take place, culminating on the 31st of March in the competition **MUMBLES' GOT TALENT**. Entry forms are available from the Clerk to Mumbles Community Council at the Council Office, Walters Crescent, Mumbles; Twitter Page: @ourmumbles; Instagram: ourmumbles
www.mumbles.gov.uk

There are three age categories, **10 years** and under **11-15 years** and **16 years and over**. This is an opportunity to promote local talent and we hope that there will be a good response to this new venture. Keep a look out for posters advertising this event.

During **MARCH**, there will be another of our very successful **SOCIAL EVENTS** at The Ostreme Hall. However, due to the popularity of these events, we have decided to limit tickets to one per applicant plus just one additional ticket. Block bookings will no longer be available. However, if you mention

when collecting your ticket/s that you would like to be on a table for, e.g. six people, please inform the Clerk at time of collection and this can be arranged as we realise groups of friends like to sit together. It will be necessary to identify the friends with whom you wish to share a table to avoid overbooking of such table requests.

The month of **APRIL** brings our annual **NETBALL COMPETITION**, as last year, to take place at the Sports' Hall, Bishopston. This will be held on Saturday the **1st of April from 12 noon to 4pm**. A chance for you to come along and support our talented youngsters.

We celebrate the month of **MAY** with **MAYTIME IN MUMBLES** on **Saturday 13th May**. This will again be held at Oystermouth Castle Field. This picnic themed event was very successful last year with requests received for another such event this year, and YES there will be **donkey rides** but, only for children, not adults, unfortunately! There will be **fairground attractions, bands playing, and Perriswood Hawking and Archery Centre, icecream and soft drinks**.

JULY 8th Our third **IT'S A KNOCKOUT** at Oystermouth Castle Field. Early registration is advised to avoid disappointment in this popular event. Details available by contacting the Clerk to Mumbles Community Council, or registering on-line.

AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th MUSIC IN THE PARK at Southend Gardens between **2pm and 6.30pm**.



In 2016 we installed the WW1 and Dylan Thomas benches placed in Oystermouth Castle grounds after 18 months of negotiation.

We have accepted a quote to refurbish 58 benches at the Promenade and Southend and hopefully then move on to the lamp

posts. Other projects under negotiation at the moment are Langland Bay Tennis Courts, concrete table tennis table and picnic tables on the West Cross Village green and West Cross Inn.

MCC envisage a busy year ahead providing and improving amenities.



Since the upgrading of Summerland Lane in Newton, the newly surfaced lane has led to heavier than normal traffic. This highlights a particular problem where Summerland Lane passes between Paraclete Chapel and the old farm – a very narrow passage. If a pedestrian has only just entered this area of the lane, when a car turns in from the main road, they always hurry back the way they have come to the safer, wider access area, thus allowing the vehicle to proceed.

However, if a pedestrian is well into the narrow passage when traffic turns in from the main road a situation of danger then exists, especially if the pedestrian is elderly and cannot return, quickly, or otherwise, to the safety of the wider access area.

As everyone who uses this thoroughfare must be aware, many vehicles are just inches away from the walls on both sides. Most motorists, in the situation outlined above, usually immediately stop, so that the pedestrian can squeeze past the stationary car rather than a vehicle still moving or, reverse back onto the main road, a manoeuvre not entirely without danger.

Motorists and pedestrians alike should be alert and courteous in sharing this potentially dangerous area. If, as has been suggested, Summerland Lane becomes one way, the obvious solution to this problem would be no entry to Summerland Lane from the main Newton Road. Vehicles going down the Lane would then have a clear view of this area as they approach it.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We started our social media drive about 18 months ago and since then we have been building slowly.

On our Facebook like page we have acquired over 400+ 'likes' and looking to double that in the first six months of 2017 but we need your help so please 'like' us, and share our page.

Get involved at **OurMumbles** - here's our page. Twitter is a different story, 100+ followers!! Well, we all have to start somewhere, but from the first quarter of 2017 onwards we will be actively tweeting information to you so follow us @OurMumbles.

We've also ventured into the world of Instagram, again as **OurMumbles** so get the full visual update of all things MCC.

You can also find all the links to social media, the lowdown on what's happening and any information from our website www.mumbles.gov.uk So get involved, we are here for you after all.



Community Council Elections



Thursday 4th May 2017



Are you interested in standing for election and becoming a community councillor? If so, check out the Elections 2017 page of our website.

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