

Minutes of the Grovesend & Waungron Community Council Meeting held on

Wednesday, 10th November, 2010

Present:

Mr. J. John, Chairman

Mr. M. Jones

Mrs. T. Rees

Mr. B. Williams

Mr. A. Hamilton

Councillor D.I.E. Jones

Mr. J.I. Burge (Secretary)

No members of the public present

1392. Apologies.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. L. Jones, Mrs. S. Morgan and Mr. D. Jones. Mr. B. Moon and Councillor A. Jopling were absent.

1393. Disclosure's of personal interest.

None.

1394. Minutes of the meeting held on 13th October, 2010.

Approved. Councillor DIE Jones requested that it be noted that Councillor A. Jopling's business had been declared bankrupt rather than Councillor Jopling himself.

1395. Matters arising from the minutes.

1384 (1380 (ii)) It was reported that the car shell in the front garden of a house on Coalbrook Road had recently been removed.

1386 The Secretary informed Members that he had spoken to Jeff Green of Swansea Council Transport Section who had confirmed that he would be willing to undertake a further traffic speed survey, however, he said he was convinced that the new survey results would not be materially different to the original one. The Secretary had also spoken to the Headteacher of the School who had confirmed that the Safe Routes in the Communities application process had already started.

1391 (i) The Secretary reported that he had spoken to Mr. Chris Dale, Countryside Rights of Way Officer for Swansea Council regarding the blocked route to the old church at Llandeilo Fach who agreed to walk the route himself and take any necessary remedial action to re-open any obstructions.

1391 (iv) The Secretary had spoken to someone at the Church and the Headteacher of Pengelli Primary School regarding this years Christmas Carol Service. The service would be on Sunday, 19th December at 5.30pm. Unfortunately neither the Headteacher or

Deputy Headteacher were able to attend this year due to prior commitments. Mr. J. John informed Members that neither would he be able to attend to read a passage from the bible, nor did he believe that Mr. L. Jones was available that evening.

1396. Local Members Report.

Councillor D.I.E. Jones reported on the following items:

The official opening of the new bus station at the Quadrant was on target for 6th December, 2010 opening.

Work was about to start on the 2011/12 budgets. The next budget year would be tighter than ever before.

1397. Ten-minute Public Questions.

None present.

1398. Planning Applications.

The Secretary reported on the following planning application which had been received in the absence of Mrs. S. Morgan, Planning Officer:

i. Application for Detached garage at 5 new Road, Grovesend, Swansea.

Recommendation: No objection.

1399. Application for financial assistance from Urdd Gobaith Cymru.

A letter requesting financial assistance from the above organisation was discussed. Members noted that the 2011 Urdd was taking place in Swansea.

Resolved: To make a £50 financial contribution.

1400. Secretary's Report.

The Secretary reported on the following matters:

i) He had received a letter from the Senior Citizens Group of Grovesend & Waungron given notice that sadly due to a fall in attendance numbers the group would be folding. October, 2010 marked their 50th anniversary year since forming.

ii) The Community Council's 2009/10 annual return had been approved as being accurate by the external auditors.

iii) With the on-set of winter approaching he had chased-up Swansea Council from last winter to see where they were with re-installing the grit bins that had disappeared over the years from around the village. Confirmation had been received that two of the missing bins would be replaced free of charge in the next few weeks, however, if any more were required then there would be a charge for them of £250 per bin. That included purchasing the bin, installation and to fill the bin with grit.

Resolved: Members agreed that the replacement free bins should be located: on the square near to the entrance of Station Road and outside the top miners club. Members also agreed to purchase two further bins to be located: Station Road at the bottom of the lane that leads to the School, and on the Meadgate estate at the junction of Box Road and

Grove Farm Road.

1401. Any Other Business.

i) Mr. B. Williams informed Members that there was stagnant water pooling on Pentre Road near to Neil Burder's house as the metal drains were raised higher than the actual road surface.

Resolved: That the Secretary would write to the Highways Department and ask them to investigate.

iii) Mr. J. John asked if the Secretary could write to Swansea Council to enquire as to the latest position regarding the adoption of the roads within the Meadgate Estate. Following adoption, it was hoped that the drains and gullies could be sorted out.