

Minutes of the Grovesend & Waungron Community Council Meeting held on

Tuesday, 4th December, 2012

Present:

Mr. J. John, Chairman

Mr. M. Jones

Mr. W.B. Davies

Mr. A. Hamilton

Mr. H. Bates

Mrs. C. Knox

Mr. B. Williams

Mr. J.I. Burge (Secretary)

No members of the public present

1666. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. T. Rees, Mr. D. Merriman, Mrs. S. Morgan, Mr. L. Jones, Councillor D. Cole and Councillor Mrs. J. Curtice.

1667. Disclosures of personal interest.

i. None declared.

ii. The Secretary informed Members that both he and Mr. H. Bates had received a comprehensive response from the Legal Department at Swansea Council regarding the code of conduct and declaring interests following a request for guidance. The response described in detail the difference between personal and prejudicial interests and was extremely helpful.

1668. Minutes of the meeting held on 6th November, 2012.

Approved.

1669. Matters arising from the minutes.

1653 (1643) It was reported that there was a good attendance at Mount Pleasant Church recently for the Remembrance Service.

1653 (1649 ii) Members were concerned that the workers from Swansea Council's Parks Department were contributing to the problem of vehicles exiting Box Road the wrong way when visiting the site to cut the grass/hedges.

Resolved: That the Secretary would write to the Parks Department to request that such practice ceases.

1658 The Secretary reported that the Trustees of the Miners Welfare Hall had

agreed to the offer from the Community Council of £20 per month for 11 months of the year for use of the hall.

1659 Mr. H. Bates informed Members that there appeared to be a clash of dates for the Community Carol Service and Children's Christmas Party; both of which were scheduled for Sunday, 16th December.

Following discussion, the following was agreed:

Resolved: (i) The Secretary would speak to Mrs. Loydon to inform her of the clash and ensure that enough pupils were available to attend the church; ii) The agreed cheque of £200 for the children's Christmas Party would be paid to the Welfare Trustees for distributing.

1670. Local Members Report.

None present, however, Councillor D. Cole provided an update to the Secretary which he read out to Members:

i) Both Councillor Cole and Curtice had discussed with the Cabinet Member for Finance at Swansea Council the need for a pedestrian crossing on High Street.

ii) The pavement of Coalbrook Road is to be included on the list for resurfacing during 2013.

iii) Illegal dumping at the end of Station Road continues. Swansea are still pursuing the ownership of this strip of land.

1671. Ten-minute Public Questions.

None.

1672. Planning Applications.

None.

1673. Community Council Precept 2013/14.

The Secretary informed Members that he had received correspondence from the Finance Department of Swansea Council enquiring as to the precept of the Community Council for the forthcoming 2013/14 financial year. He reminded Members that the precept had been maintained at £5000 for the past few years.

Resolved: To set the 2013/14 precept at £5000 for a further year.

1674. Gypsy/Travellers site in Swansea – Mr. D. Merriman.

Members suggested that this item be deferred until the January meeting given Mr. Merriman's request for a discussion and his absence from the meeting.

1675. Secretary's Report.

The Secretary informed Members that he had nothing to report this month.

He suggested that the January meeting of the Community Council be moved back by

one week from the 1st January, to 8th January, 2013 given the bank holiday.

Resolved: Members agreed that the January meeting should be held on 8th January.

1676. Any Other Urgent Business at the discretion of the Chair.

None.