

**Minutes of the Grovesend & Waungron**  
**Community Council Meeting held on**  
**Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2016**

**Present:** Mr. B. Williams, Chair  
Mr. W.B. Davies  
Mr. W.D. Merriman  
Mr. J. John  
Mr. M. Jones  
Mrs. S. Morgan  
Mr. A. Hamilton  
Mr. L. Jones  
Mrs. T. Morgan  
Councillor J. Curtice  
Councillor D. Cole  
Mr. J.I. Burge (Secretary)  
2 members of the public present

**2061. Apologies for absence.**

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. C. Knox.

**2062. Disclosures of personal interest.**

None.

**2063. Minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2016.**

Approved.

**2064. Matters arising from the minutes.**

Minute 2050: Friends of Grovesend Park group. Cllr D. Cole advised Members that he had spoken with Mr. Kevin Roberts, Vice-chair of the Friends group who had confirmed his commitment to maintaining the group, albeit slow progress was being made.

Minute 2052: Ten-minute Public Questions. Mr. W.B. Davies advised Members that he had spoken to Jeff Green of the Transportation Section who had informed him due to budgetary cuts the Council had decided to outsource speed checks to private contractors. As a result of this it was not possible to provide any timescale to when the speed checks will be carried out on High Street.

**2065. Local Members Report.**

Councillor D. Cole reported on the following:

- (i) The pedestrian crossing publicity photograph had appeared in the South Wales Evening Post recently;
- (ii) The barrier on the cycle track had been vandalised so motorbikes were using the track again. Cllr. Cole had requested it be replaced with a metal barrier;

- (iii) A £60k grant had been agreed by Welsh Government to extend the cycle track. The first phased link will be between Gorseinon and Kingsbridge, however, as the track crosses common land legal negotiations will take time to resolve;
- (iv) The change to the road layout at Box Road is currently with the Council's legal team to advertise the changes and allow for a period of public notice and response. It was hoped that the work would commence during the summer period.

Councillor J. Curtice added:

- (v) Leaflets are currently being distributed to all households explaining how the Council's budget is distributed;
- (vi) She continues to follow-up the drainage problems in Waungron with Mike Sweeney;
- (vii) She attended a multicultural event in Swansea recently that was very interesting.

#### **2066. Ten-minute Public Questions.**

- (i) Mr. Andrew Hinton was present at the meeting and expressed his concern to Members regarding two particular cars that were continuously speeding through the village at excess and dangerous rates. The private number plate was provided to Members which was recognised as belonging to an individual from Forest in Pontarddulais. Cllr. J. Curtice advised that whenever this motorist was witnessed speeding they should be reported to the Police via 101. It was agreed that Cllr. J. Curtice would mention the individual to the local PCSO at Gorseinon Police Station.
- (ii) Mr. A. Hinton also mentioned to Members that he was concerned over the number of vehicles parking on the pavements through Grovesend. He explained that the inconsiderate parking was causing pedestrians to walk on the road to pass-by. With the pavements having been recently repaved they will soon become broken up again. Cllr. J. Curtice advised that she would report this issue to Gorseinon Police at the same time as mentioning the speeding motorist from Forest.
- (iii) Mr. Brian Moon was present at the meeting and informed Members that the parking issue he had reported many times previously on Coalbrook Road was getting worse, particularly in the evenings. There was now a serious risk of a dangerous incident.

**Resolved:** That the Secretary would write to the inspector (Ralph Harris) at Gorseinon Police Station to advise of the problem once again and ask that enforcement action is taken.

*Councillor David Cole declared an interest in the following item and left the room whilst it was discussed.*

**2067. Planning Applications. – Mrs. S. Morgan.**

Mrs. S. Morgan reported that two applications had been received from:

- (i) **118 Pentre Road, Waungron, Pontarddulais, Swansea, SA4 8DQ for a single storey rear extension with attic.**

**Recommendation:** No objection.

*Mr. Barry Williams declared an interest in the following item and left the room whilst it was discussed. Mr. David Merriman Chaired the meeting for this item.*

- (ii) **Application No. 2009/0288 – Amended plans  
216 Pentre Road, Grovesend, Swansea, SA4 1DD construction of replacement dwelling.**

**Recommendation:** No objection.

**2068. Secretary's Report.**

The Secretary reported on the following matters:

- (i) The annual subscription for the Open Spaces Society had been received at a cost of £45.

**Resolved:** To renew the subscription for a further year.

- (ii) A renewal quote for the Community Council's public liability insurance for 2016/17 had been received at a cost of £251.85.

**Resolved:** To renew the insurance with the current provider Zurich for a further year.

**2069. Any other urgent business at the discretion of the Chair.**

- i) Mr. B. Davies asked Cllr J. Curtice for an update regarding the painting of zigzag lines outside of Pengelli Primary School as it had been 14 months since the matter was first discussed. Cllr. Curtice advised that as two objections had been received to the proposal it had caused delay. Cllr. Curtice would make enquiries with officers and report back at the next meeting.

### Issues awaiting resolution

Issue	Key dates	Current Position	Action required by
Installation of Zigzag lines outside Pengelli Primary School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cllr J. Curtice to raise with Traffic Section: February, 2015</li> <li>● Agreed to follow-up: April, 2015</li> <li>● May, 2015</li> <li>● July, 2015</li> <li>● Oct, 2015</li> <li>● April, 2016</li> </ul>	Two objections received to notice of intention to paint lines causing delay to implementation. Cllr. J. Curtice seeking advice from officers.	Cllr. J. Curtice to fund from environmental monies.
Alternations to Box Road/Park entrance junction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Concern expressed of vehicles exiting Box Road the wrong way: Sept, 2014</li> <li>● Police advise they have conducted a monitoring exercise: October, 2014</li> <li>● Meeting between Comm Council, Traffic Section and Police to discuss concerns: November, 2014</li> <li>● Drawings received from Traffic Section with proposal to reconfigure the boulders and access area to the park: Jan '15</li> <li>● Cllrs. D. Cole &amp; J. Curtice agreed to use some of their environmental monies: Feb '15</li> <li>● Mr. D. Merriman, Mr. B. Davies and Mr. A. Hamilton site visit to assess work and costs involved: Oct '15</li> <li>● Cllr D. Cole pursuing Jeff Green for action: Oct '15</li> <li>● Alternative drawings being produced by Traffic Section to be available early 2016.</li> <li>● Proposed scheme approved. To be financed from environmental monies of Cllrs D. Cole and J. Curtice, February, 2016</li> <li>● Legal Team drafting public notice of intention for advertising, April, 2016</li> </ul>	Awaiting implementation by Swansea Council.	Swansea Council