

Minutes of the Grovesend & Waungron
Community Council Meeting held on
Tuesday 5th December 2017

Present: Mr W D Merriman, Chairman
Mr W B Davies
Mr D Gwynn
Mr A Hamilton
Mr B Moon
Mr D Cole
Mrs S Morgan
Councillor J Curtice
Mrs Y Hamilton (Secretary)

2259. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr L Jones, Mrs H Talaat, Mr M Jones and Councillor A Stevens.

2260. Disclosures of personal interest

None

2261. Minutes of the meeting held on 7th November 2017

Approved

2262. Matters arising from the minutes

Update: 2255. Armistice. Mr D Merriman had received a thank you letter from the church for the financial contribution which was gratefully received. Members commented on how well the night was presented and organised. Councillor J Curtice felt that it was a bit dis-organised behind the scenes due to the changes out of our control so it was agreed that it will go on as an agenda item at the September meetings to ensure better organisation in future.

2263. Local Members Report

Councillor J Curtice reported on the following: -

- (i) She advised that a meeting had taken place with the 'Friends of the Park' and reported that all seems to be working amicably and that there was a good turnout.
- (ii) She provided an update on the flooding issues in Grovesend and that 3 quotes were required before the work can be undertaken. She explained that Mike Sweeney has been contacted on numerous occasions regarding this. Concerns were raised on behalf of the resident Mrs Webb who is now panicking again that the flooding is going to recur due to the bad weather.
- (iii) She reported on there being an issue with the collection of the zebra bags. It is normally a weekly collection but this has not been happening.
- (iv) She wanted to inform Members that a free meal was going to be taking place in St Catherine's Church which is open to the public who are struggling.

108 attended the last time this was held and was a success. These are currently held once a month but is like to change to 2 monthly.

(v) She provided an update on the lagoon and the City of Culture whereby the winners were going to be announced on 8 December.

(vi) She informed Members that Penyrheol Park has recently been renovated following design by pupils of Penyrheol Primary School. This was achieved using 106 agreement and a donation of £14000 from Gorseinon Town Council which will benefit the community.

(vii) She informed Members that an application for a grant has been submitted to erect a BMX track alongside the skateboard park at Heol Y Mynydd.

2264. Ten-minute Public Questions

None

2265. Planning Applications

2017/2064/OUT – 152 Coalbrook Road, Grovesend, Swansea, SA4 4GP – Residential development 19 bungalows

This application has been refused.

Action: Mr D Cole to inform Members of any further developments.

2017/2531/FUL – Long Oaks, Box Road, Grovesend, Swansea, SA4 8DB – Addition of first floor accommodation with rear balcony and single storey rear extension. This application was discussed outside the meeting and Members had no objection. Mr A Hamilton and Mrs Y Hamilton declared a personal interest in this application.

2266. Health and Safety

The following was noted: -

(i) Speeding is still ongoing in Grovesend

(ii) Parking on both sides on the main road is becoming an issue

2267. Finance

The Secretary provided Members with an estimated budget allocation for 2018/19 for discussion. Members agreed the estimated budget with a couple of amendments.

Action: Secretary to update the budget allocation and provide an update at the next meeting for approval.

2268. Secretary's Report

The Secretary reported on the following: -

(i) She had received an email from Swansea YMCA asking for any support regarding the 'Supporting Crisis this Christmas' appeal to help the homeless during the Christmas period. This was noted by Members.

(ii) She informed Members that she had received a request from the Parks Department as to whether the Community Council wished to partake in the

hanging basket scheme for the Summer ahead.

Action: Members agreed that the displays around the village look great and agreed to have the same as last year at a cost of £1035.00. Secretary to send payment and order form off.

(iii) She had received the annual subscription for the Open Spaces Society.

Resolved: Members felt that they no longer wanted to support this.

2269. Any other urgent items of business at the discretion of the chair

(i) Mr D Cole informed Members of the Potential LDP Applications for 2017-2025 for Grovesend and Waungron. He agreed to continue to provide updates as and when.

(ii) Mr M Jones sent an email as he was unable to attend the meeting requesting financial assistance on behalf of 'Friends of the Park' to help cover the costs of supplying an initial temporary Christmas tree and lights including cabling boxes and sockets.

Resolved: Members agreed to pay £300 towards these costs

(iii) Mr B Moon mentioned that 2 of the lights on Coalbrook Road were still out.

Action: Councillor J Curtice to speak to John Hurley, Lighting Department

Action: Councillor J Curtice to provide a list of email and contact numbers for different departments across City and County of Swansea

(iv) Mr D Merriman mentioned about the overgrown trees and brambles around the park area and confirmed that the City and County of Swansea have not done anything about this and not likely to in the future.

Action: Mr A Hamilton to provide a quote for the overgrown trees and brambles to be cut back.