Decisions made at the Grovesend & Waungron Community Council Meeting held on Monday 12 May 2025

Present: Councillors

Mr L Holloway (Chairperson)

Mr A Hamilton Mrs H Talaat

Mrs T Hardwick (Vice Chairperson)

Mr M Jones Mrs S Morgan Mr W Erasmus

Clerk

Mrs Y Hamilton **Public Attendance**

None

The Clerk read out a letter from Mr Simon Bates applying for the position of Co-opted Community Council. Members discussed the letter and agreed that he would be a suitable candidate for the vacancy position with many of the members already knowing the individual and his family as they have lived in the village for many many years. **Decision:** It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Mr Simon Bates to offer him the position of co-opted Community Councillor.

Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from M Osborn.

Minutes of the meeting held on 10 March 2025

The minutes were approved as a true and accurate record. This was proposed by T Hardwick and seconded by S Morgan.

The budget monitoring report was shared with Members prior to the meeting and provided an update during the meeting. **Decision:** Members approved the annual accounts for year ended 31 March 2025.

Prior to the meeting the Clerk shared the annual return for year ended 31 March 2025 with Members. A discussion was held and the Clerk shared an explanation of the variances and gave a breakdown of the documents required to be sent with the annual return. **Decision:** Members approved the annual return for year ended 31 March 2025. **Action:** Clerk to forward our annual return to Audit Wales.

Audit Wales has submitted the invoice for Audit Fees for 2023/24 at a cost of £527.00. The Clerk questioned the costs with Audit Wales as it was more than double what we paid the year before. The response from Audit Wales was that it was based on a 'full audit' rather than a 'basic audit' and therefore a lot more work was involved. **Decision:** Members agreed for the invoice to be paid based on the reasons for the increase and thanked the Clerk for her work involved.

The Clerk received an email from Kevin Roberts regarding the dog mess that was continuing to be a problem in and around the park and asked whether we could place a couple more signs around the park. **Decision:** Following a discussion, it was decided that M Jones would take this up with Friends of the Park to see whether this could be fundraised through the Friends of the Park.

Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place on Monday 9 June 2025 at the Miners Welfare Hall. Remote access is available for anyone wishing to attend remotely.

AGM Meeting Decisions

2. To appoint Chair

Resolved: With only one nomination, L Holloway was re-elected as Chair for the 25/26 year ahead. This was proposed by H Talaat and seconded by S Morgan. All Members were in favour of this and agreed that he was doing a really good job as Chair. L Holloway agreed to take this role on for the coming year and thanked everyone for their kind words.

3. To appoint Vice Chair

Resolved: With only one nomination, T Hardwick was elected Vice-Chair for the 25/26 year ahead. This was proposed by H Talaat and seconded by M Jones. T Hardwick agreed to accept this role for the year ahead and felt that having been on the Community Council for a few years now was comfortable with this role.

4. To agree a representative to attend One Voice Wales Swansea Area Committee meeting

Resolved: L Holloway agreed to represent Grovesend and Waungron Community Council at the meetings and the Clerk would ask any other Members to attend if L Holloway is unavailable. This was proposed by M Jones and seconded by S Morgan.

5. To agree a representative to attend Council Forum

Resolved: L Holloway agreed to represent Grovesend and Waungron Community Council at the meetings and the Clerk would ask any other Members to attend if L Holloway is unavailable. This was proposed by M Jones and seconded by S Morgan.

6. To agree Standing Orders

Members were sent the Standing Orders prior to the meeting. Members were happy with the Standing Orders once a couple of changes had been addressed. **Resolved:** Acceptance of the Standing Orders following the minor changes was proposed by T Hardwick and seconded by M Jones.