



KILLAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MONTHLY MINUTES
Wednesday 27th October 2021
7.00 pm

Present:		
Councillor Nigel Fletcher (Chair)	Councillor Jim Robinson (Vice Chair)	Councillor Jan Evans
Councillor Sue John	Councillor Bill John	Councillor Joanne Fitton
Councillor Peta Walsh	Clerk to the Council Sue Bagley	
Also present: Ms Sarah James: Local Area Co-ordinator for Dunvant, Killay & Upper Killay		
1. Apologies		
Councillor Dawn Morse	Councillor Edmund Sides	Cllr Lowrie Orchard
Councillor Mary Idris	Councillor Rhiannon Barrar- no apology received.	
2. Declaration of Interests		
In accordance with the provision of the Code of Conduct, Council members must declare a Personal and/or Prejudicial interest at the commencement of such matter being discussed, or when the interest becomes apparent. Members disclosing an interest must enter the Agenda number of the item, together with their interest, onto the relevant form supplied by the Clerk during each meeting. (During remote meetings, interest is disclosed verbally and recorded by the Clerk).		
3. Acceptance of Minutes		
Minutes from the meetings held on 22nd September (circulated previously) were accepted as a true and accurate record by Councillors present at the meeting.		
4. Matters Arising from meeting held on Wednesday 22nd September 2021		
Page 3 Item (e) <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Clerk informed Councillors that the City and County of Swansea will be unable to plant additional Daffodils this year due to a delay with the order process.The Clerk informed Councillors that Steve Jaycock was happy to have wildflowers behind the library. Cllr Robinson suggested that the Community Council plant Wildflowers outside the library in the Spring. The Clerk agreed to contact the Parks Department early next year.		February Agenda
Page 4 Item 8 – Financial <ul style="list-style-type: none">Cllr Fitton circulated the link for ‘Sweet Pickings’ to all Councillors, confirming that the donation of £45.50 by KCC had been put to good use.		
Page 5 Item (iii) Christmas Events <ul style="list-style-type: none">The quotation received from Philips Electrical this year has increased by £384.20. As promised, the Clerk has questioned Philips Electrical about the increase, and it was confirmed that the increase is due to an increase in staff salaries and the need to provide more staff to erect the		

KCC Christmas Tree.	
5. Local Area Co-Ordinator Update	
<p>Prior to the start of the meeting, Ms Sarah James updated Councillors on her work in the Community since she last attended a KCC meeting.</p> <p>These are summarised below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Monday quiz has been organized and held at the Village Café Bar, along with Bingo sessions, with approximately 40 people in attendance. Sandwiches and lite bites were originally provided by the Village Bar but they are now serving full meals and any age group can participate. • A Walking Group has been set up on Friday mornings at Duvant Rugby Club. • The Commercial Pub are holding meetings on the second Tuesday of every month, giving residents the opportunity to meet up and make friends. <p>For noting, Sarah can be contacted on Social Media, or via Facebook (Local Area Co-ordinator Duvant & Killay). Alternatively she can also be found around the Village or in the Village Bar, Café or the Commercial.</p> <p>The Clerk has received information from Catherine Dyer who wishes to set up a "Thumbs Up Safe Places" campaign. This would include posters displayed in shop windows informing people that they have a safe place for anxious people to sit quietly or ask for help. This e-mail will be passed to Sarah James by the Clerk.</p>	Mrs S Bagley
6. Correspondence received (SB)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Fletcher notified Councillors of the Draft Annual Report 2022/23 which included a new payment as part of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales. The new payment is classed as an attendance allowance, which would not exceed £30 per meeting. If KCC adopted this additional payment the potential increase in precept could be up to £5,000 per year. • Mr Paul Bowes-Cavanagh has decided not to apply for Co-option at KCC. 	
7. Reports	
<p>(a) Chairperson's Report (NF)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Fletcher commented on the recent flooding that took place in the area of the junction of Goetre Fawr Road and Ridgeway. The library experienced water coming up through the floor. City Council highways department had subsequently visited the library. Cllr Fletcher has passed this information to CCs J and M Jones. Members discussed the flooding, especially with surface water drains blocked up with solid silt. Sarah James informed the meeting that all incidents can be reported by individuals to the City Council on-line www.swansea.gov.uk/reportgulliesflooding It was agreed that the Community Council should offer its support to City Councillors in addressing the issues as appropriate. To be carried forward to January 2022. <p>(b) City Councillors' Reports (JJ/MJ) No urgent matters to report.</p> <p>(c) Clerk's report (SB) No urgent matters to report.</p> <p>(d) Social Media and Marketing (JR) and Facebook (BJ)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Media Marketing 	Jan Agenda

No urgent matters to report.

- Facebook: Figures up to 26th October are as follows:-
 - Reached 13,567 (compared to 1,882 September and 3,636 August)
 - Engagements 5,679 (compared to 657 September and 833 August)
 - New page likes 21 (compared to 3 September and 7 August)
 - Grand total likes 1,250 (compared to 1,208 September and 1,205 August)
 - Followers 1,411 (compared to 1,363 September and 1,351 August)

Cllr B John noted that he was sceptical that the number of individuals reached had increased by 515%.

Sarah James left the meeting at 8.00pm

- Cllr Robinson stated that all details on the website are up to date.
- Cllr Robinson reported a shortage of dog and general waste bins in the area and confirmed that he had discussed this with CC J Jones who forwarded a reply from the cleansing manager stating that replacement bins are not warranted.
This item will be discussed at a later date, and after input received from CC J Jones.

(e) Gardening (JE)

- The Begonias have now been removed and gone into storage, daffodil bulbs are ready to be planted at the Precinct when the weather improves.

(f) Public Rights of Way (RB) 1/10/21

- The Following report from Cllr Barrar has previously been sent to Councillors along with a map showing the relevant areas:

Footpaths KI114, KI113

Chris Dale of the Countryside access team responded to my report on the status of paths KI114 and KI113. (North of Hendrefoilan Road past Lledglawdd Farm). He has not received a response from the person responsible for the obstructions on footpath 114 and is about to write to him again. He notes that the path is also very overgrown, probably because people have stopped using it due to the obstructions. He is arranging for a contractor to clear the path and others on the hill.

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Bridleways KI108, KI110

*I filled in the consultation on behalf of KCC concerning the proposal to surface the bridleways/tracks between the Olchfa stream and Clyne Valley Road (bridleways KI108 and KI110). Chris Dale Head of the Countryside Access team responded to me. I report the main points of his letter below:
"80% of respondents (of which there were a considerable number, given the extent of the works) were in favor of some works to the surface. All works undertaken by the Countryside Access Team in the park result from suggestions, complaints or reports from people using the paths.*

The route between Gower Road and Sketty Park has been a track for at least 140 years and the section of the route in question has previously been metal led with various types of stone over that time. The old tramway was also covered with stone in order to support the rail track. Therefore, in effect, the proposed works are repair works to the existing surface. The work to clean out the drainage next to the track undertaken last year has helped to an extent, but the sections under consideration for surfacing are still susceptible to the accumulation of mud and standing water because the surface is uneven. The work would enable the surface to be cambered slightly to allow

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improved flow of water from the surface to the edges and would consist of compacted stone to provide a hard, smooth surface.

There are currently no plans to increase the number of paths that are tarmacked or for more works to surface other paths in the Park. I have noted the points about Himalayan balsam and suggestions/requests/remarks regarding works on other paths.

Anyone with an interest in the Active Travel network of routes may be interested in the current consultation regarding Active Travel at: www.swansea.gov.uk/drafttravelmapsurvey I believe that bridleway K1108 is under consideration as a candidate route in this consultation. The Council is also drawing up a management plan for Clyne Country Park and a consultation on the plan will take place in the coming months."

Cllr Barrar and the Clerk have agreed that due to the GMT change the Footpaths will not be walked again until British Summer Time next March 2022.

8. Planning Report (ES)

Due to Cllr E Sides absence Cllr Fletcher covered the report which has previously been sent to Councillors.

Validated Applications for period 20 September 2021 to 24 October 2021

2021/2441/TPO; [21-Sep-21] 27 Ffordd Taliesin Killay Swansea SA2 7DF;

To lop one Oak covered by TPO No 204

KCC comment:

2021/2637/TPO; [15-Sep-21] Land Rear Of 37 Byron Way Killay Swansea SA2 7EP;

To lop 1 birch tree and 1 oak tree covered by TPO 254

KCC comment:

2021/2485/FUL; [13-Oct-21] 12 Lime Grove Killay Swansea SA2 7EG;

Single storey rear extension with four roof lights and fenestration alterations

KCC comment:

2021/2439/FUL; [14-Oct-21] 26 Coleridge Crescent Killay Swansea SA2 7DJ;

Single storey side extension, single storey rear extension, front hard standing with retaining wall

KCC comment:

2021/2392/PLD; [15-Oct-21] 8 Ash Grove Killay Swansea SA2 7QZ;

Single storey rear extension, enclosure of front porch with addition of front door and window, new rear hard surface and access steps to the rear garden (application for a Certificate of Proposed Lawful Development) (Application for a certificate of proposed Lawful Development)

KCC comment:

Decisions for period 20 September 2021 to 24 October 2021

2021/1899/FUL: 39 Ridgeway Killay Swansea SA2 7AT

Single storey rear extension, rear decked area and front porch

Approved by CCS (on 21-Sep-21)

2021/2286/FUL: 44 Goetre Fawr Road Killay Swansea SA2 7QU

Single storey rear extension, side dormer, rear dormer, two front roof lights, addition of side door and fenestration alterations

Approved by CCS (on 20-Oct-21)

2021/2216/TPO: 36 Millwood Gardens Killay Swansea SA2 7BE

To lop one Beech Tree covered by TPO No 48

Approved by CCS (on 12-Oct-21)

2021/2224/TPO: 33 Coleridge Crescent Killay Swansea SA2 7DJ

<p>To lop two Oak trees covered by TPO No 254 Refused by CCS (on 06-Oct-21) Approved by CCS (on 16-Sep-21) KCC comment:</p>	
<p>9. Financial Report (SB/NF)</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Banking transactions during October circulated previously, were accepted, and agreed by Council and signed by Cllr N Fletcher. • Cllr S John confirmed the monthly bank statement has been checked and verified. All items have been approved by Council. • The Clerk requested approval for the following:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J Robinson £14.39 Zoom Payment - October • S Bagley £28.20 Clerk Expenses – October • J Evans £21.97 Daffodil bulbs • CCS -£3,960 – plants – (This compares with £4,378 in 2020) <p>Proposed by Cllr B John seconded by Cllr J Fitton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Clerk reported that the Welsh Government has again delayed the completion of the External Audit. <p>Six monthly summary of accounts (April - September 2021) Cllr Fletcher presented the six monthly accounts. With the exception of the overspend against Donations (due to £1,000 paid to Siloam chapel) the accounts compared to budget appear to be in good order. This overspend is offset by the amount of expenditure not spent during the last six months on cancelled events during the recent Covid Pandemic. The accounts were accepted by full Council.</p>	
<p>10. Requests for Donations</p>	
<p>A request from Tenovus which had been circulated prior to the September meeting was further discussed. Cllr Fletcher summarized the respective annual turnover of Tenovus, Maggie's and MacMillan; which clearly showed Tenovus as having the lowest turnover. Cllr Evans expressed her views that Tenovus was the only one based solely in Wales and was the only organization to have requested financial support. After discussion it was agreed to defer a decision until February 2022 when the 2021/22 accounts are updated with one month's expenditure left. This was agreed by all present.</p>	<p>February Agenda</p>
<p>11. Future Events</p>	
<p><u>Halloween</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Fitton reported that there have been no entries for the Halloween competition. <p><u>Christmas Events</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting took place via Zoom on the 6th October of a Working Group and the following items were discussed and agreed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be no Grotto at the Library, and no Grotto at the Precinct. • There will be no Carol Service in Siloam. • The Salvation Army will play Communal Carols at the Precinct on Monday 29th November commencing at 6.00pm. Shoppers will be encouraged to join in the singing, this event will only be advertised via KCC Posters in and around Killay. • KCC will invite The Lord Mayor of Swansea Cllr M Jones to switch on the Christmas lights 	

<p>accompanied by her Consort Cllr J Jones. (time 5.00pm). This will not be advertised to the general public to avoid any confusion with not having a precinct grotto.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CCS has now confirmed a Sleigh will be provided leaving St Hilary's Car Park at 5.30 pm. Cllr Robinson has worked out the route, which has been sent to CCS, KCC decided to stick to the route although CCS Highways Department were concerned about residents parking, and also some roads are not on bus routes. • Cllr Fitton will arrange posters informing residents of the time, and the route. • Cllr M Jones will speak to Hendrefoilan School regarding the Elves and will also check on the costumes. • The Clerk has written to the Lord Mayors secretary for permission for the Lord Mayor to switch on the KCC Christmas Lights. • The cost of the CCS Sleigh this year is £400.00 • The traders in Killay will be invited to do a Shop Window Display and also to display a Christmas Item/ Treasure Hunt. • The sign above John Francis Estate Agents has now been repaired so KCC lights can be re-connected. • The Loughor Town Band have asked for permission to play at the Precinct on Saturday 10th December - this has been agreed by Livingstone's - time 10.00 am. 	<p>Cllr Fitton Cllr M Jones</p> <p>Nov.agenda</p>
<p>12. Items for inclusion on agenda for next meeting</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog Waste Bins (JR) • Flooding in parts of Killay (NF) 	
<p>13. No further business the meeting closed at 20.55 pm</p>	