



# KILLAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL (CYNGOR CYMUNED CILÂ)

## MONTHLY MINUTES Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 7.15 pm multi-location meeting

<b>Attendance in person</b>		
Cllr Nigel Fletcher (Chair)	Cllr Jim Robinson (Vice chair)	Cllr Rhiannon Barrar
Cllr Sarah Gee	Cllr Jan Evans	Cllr Joanne Fitton
Cllr Sue John	Cllr Dawn Morse	Clerk to the Council Sue Bagley
Maria Jefferies Youth Representative	Cllr Linda Aubrey	
<b>Attendance Remotely</b>		
Cllr M Idris	Cllr Peta Walsh	
<b>1. Apologies</b>		
City Cllr Louise Gibbard	Cllr Tyrone Lewis	Cllr Beth Rowe
City Cllr Jeff Jones	City Cllr Mary Jones	
The Clerk advised that Cllr T Fitton has resigned from his position as Community Councillor, the vacancy will be reported to Election Services and will be advertised in due course.		
<b>2. Declaration of Interests</b>		<i>To be actioned by</i>
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.  For members who are attending the meeting remotely, interest is disclosed verbally and recorded by the Clerk.  Cllrs J Robinson & J Fitton expressed personal interest in 47 <sup>th</sup> Killay Scouts request for donation.		
<b>3. Acceptance of Minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b>		<i>To be actioned by</i>
After two minor amendments, the minutes of the meeting circulated previously were accepted by full Council as being a true and accurate record.		
<b>4. Matters arising from meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b>		<i>To be actioned by</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Page 2 Item 1a</b> Cllr Fletcher confirmed that Cllr Aubrey will take over the role of reporting the Crime Figures.</li><li><b>Page 2 Item 1a</b> Cllr Fletcher confirmed that the pop-up banner has been purchased and was displayed at the meeting.</li></ul>		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Page 6 item d</b> Cllr Robinson requested support from any Councillors who have an understanding of the Drop Box system.</li> <li>• <b>Page 6 item 8 ii</b> The Clerk confirmed that all Councillors have responded to confirm if they wish to accept or decline the Councillors Remuneration for 2023/24. Payment will be made to relevant Councillors at the end of March.</li> </ul>	Cllr Robinson (March agenda)
<p><b>5. Correspondence received (SB)</b></p> <p>Any urgent correspondence was circulated prior to the meeting and items to be discussed are on the agenda.</p> <p>The following correspondence was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter received from Siloam Chapel thanking KCC for their donation of £400.00.</li> <li>• Confirmation that the next Community &amp; Town Council Forum will take place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 5.00pm either in person at the Guildhall or via Zoom.</li> </ul>	<i>To be actioned by</i>
<p><b>6. Reports</b></p> <p>The following reports were made by relevant members:</p> <p><b>a) Chair's report (NF)</b> Cllr Fletcher stated that the crime figures for 2023 (report circulated prior to the meeting) confirmed a significant increase in shop lifting crimes in Killay South.</p> <p><b>b) City Councillor reports (circulated previously)</b></p> <p><b><u>City Cllr. L Gibbard</u></b></p> <p><b>Hendrefoilan Park- St Modwen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive meeting at Hendrefoilan Primary School with representatives of St Modwen and neighbours to the site. A number of issues were raised including noise from the site and placement of new footpath. St Modwen have agreed to make some changes to how they operate to reflect residents' concerns. Another meeting is planned for 14<sup>th</sup> March on site.</li> </ul> <p><b>Tŷ Cilâ</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tŷ Cilâ residential home, Wimmerfield Ave, are looking for people to help grow on attractive plants and flowers to fill planters and beds around the site, to bring some colour for residents, staff and visitors. Anyone able to help is asked to let Cllr Gibbard, or visit Ty Cila on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 1.30pm.</li> <li>• Ty Cila are also holding a fundraising raffle to win a signed Swansea City football.</li> </ul> <p><b>Electric Vehicle Charging Points</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllrs J &amp; M Jones and Gibbard met with Highways officers about plans for 2 electric vehicle charging points in Killay. They are progressing with a plan to install 2 points in the bays in front of the precinct, at the top end closest to the Pharmacy. Unfortunately, due to regulations which stipulate the spaces must conform to those of disabled spaces, we are actually going to lose a further bay to create the 2 spaces. Other sites were looked at but this is the only feasible place considering the electric link up, space required, street furniture etc. Work is due to start beginning of March.</li> </ul> <p><b>Local Policing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On Weds 21 Feb attended monthly meeting with police team and Councillors in the Gower area- no issues to report. As many will be aware we are sadly losing our full-time PCSO Nicole Davies as she moves over to become a PC. Unfortunately, there are no plans to replace her at present with PCSOs from other areas covering alongside PCSO Alex Aspinwall.</li> </ul>	<i>To be actioned by</i>

### **Wildflowers & Daffodils**

- Cllrs J & M Jones and Gibbard met to discuss sites for annual wildflower planting. These remain largely unchanged from last year. We have requested that on some areas they are done without the weedkiller so we can compare how effective the seed is if the grass and weeds aren't killed first.
- Good to see the daffodils coming through again this year with new planting I arranged on Broadmead and the those done by KCC and Cllrs J & M Jones.

### **Consultations**

- There are a number of Council consultations open at the moment to which KCC/ residents might like to contribute, including the budget. Currently these include skate/ wheeled sports facilities, our Equalities and Human Rights objectives and more. Visit <https://www.swansea.gov.uk/haveyoursay> or the library should have hard copies. Let me know if any issues.

### **CWOT**

- I asked the team to work on some areas identified in Dunvant in particular this month.
- As always, please alert me to areas that you think the team could tackle. Litter picking, cutting back, cleaning signs/ street furniture etc. We have them in Dunvant and Killay 6 days every month.

### **City Councillor report (MJ)(JJ):**

#### **Dunvant Road**

- Coal Authority is waiting for a camera survey from Welsh Water of the foul sewer. Coal Authority have asked if the council could help out with this.
- The Coal Authority are also in possession of the final design and are emailing it to the Local Authority for comment.

#### **Wildflowers**

- Met with Cllr Gibbard to agree locations for wildflowers and we have agreed to the same as last year in Killay which is Ffordd Taliesin and Broadacre roundabout.

### **City Cllr J Jones**

#### **Electric Charging Points**

- This was brought up by myself some time ago but the Council are hoping to start installing two electric charging points in the parking bays outside of the chemists during the first week in March. Unfortunately, they will take up three bays in order to facilitate the wider electric bays. Undoubtedly this will cause some disquiet and we are expecting non electric vehicles to also use these spaces. Signage will be erected to advise on usage / waiting times etcetera. If the KCC will recall, there will be a dropped curb for disabled people.
- I did try to get the charging points installed in the traders' car park but as this is Welsh Gov money, it was rejected.

#### **(c) Clerk's Report (SB)**

All relevant items have been previously circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.

#### **(d) Social Media & Marketing Committee (JR; TF; MI; BR)**

- Cllr Robinson updated the meeting on the new website. Further updates will be made in due course. All Councillors are requested to provide feedback to Cllr Robinson.

#### **(e) Gardening Committee (JE, SJ, PW, DM)**

- The daffodils planted on the grass verge on Gower Road and outside St Hilary's Church are starting to bloom.

<p><b>(f) Public Rights of Way (RB, BR, SG) previously circulated.</b></p> <p><b>K1103</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In June 2023, the Public Rights of Way committee met with Chris Dale (Manager of the Countryside access team) and City Cllr Louise Gibbard to discuss the positioning of signage on Killay Public Rights of Way.</li> </ul> <p>It was agreed that the destination of the footpath would be useful to users. We are delighted to report that there is now a sign indicating the footpath on Garrod Avenue and another at the entry to the footpath off the Clyne Valley Cycle Way. An email has been sent to Chris Dale expressing our thanks.</p> <p><b>KI110 (entry point by Clyne Cottages)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Picnic tables and information boards have been installed along this path which is now part of the Clyne Valley Country Park.</li> </ul> <p><b>KI114</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In June 2023 we also showed Chris the obstructions put up by the tenant farmer on this path. Action is in progress as noted in January’s report. We also mentioned the bracken obstructing the path.</li> <li>Chris Dale said that cutting back had been postponed until the contract for bracken cutting had been renewed. It looks as if the bracken has been trampled. We have written to Chris asking for an update on this and the possibility of signage at the entry points of this footpath.</li> <li>Cllr Barrar gave an update on KI114 – the farmer has now agreed to comply with the legal requirements.</li> <li>Cllr Barrar has also requested further signage on other paths by Hendrefoilan Road.</li> <li>Council thanked Cllr Barrar for all her hard work on KI114.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>7. Planning (JF, SG, MI)</b></p>	<p><i>To be actioned by</i></p>
<p><b>Planning report – Period – w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 to 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024</b></p> <p><b>Validated:</b></p> <p>2024/0111/PRE: (Pre-application) Single storey side extension, hipped to gable roof extension and rear dormer - 35 Broadmead Killay Swansea SA2 7EE</p> <p>2024/0304/PRE: (Pre-application) 2 holiday lets (Class C6) 419 Gower Road Killay Swansea SA2 7AN</p> <p>2024/0293/FUL: Two storey side extension with first floor balcony and detached gym/games room - 425 Gower Road Killay Swansea SA2 7AN.</p> <p>2024/0268/FUL: Side and rear extension to detached garage - 69 Duvant Road Killay Swansea SA2 7NL</p> <p><b>Decisions:</b></p> <p>2023/2584/FUL: Single storey rear extension and addition of front bay window 4 Lime Grove Killay Swansea SA2 7EG APPROVED</p> <p>2023/2616/FUL: Part two storey / part single storey side extension, installation of two front and two rear Velux rooflights and alterations to existing porch and fenestration 488 Gower Road Killay Swansea SA2 7DY REFUSED</p> <p>2024/0111/PRE   (Pre-application) Single storey side extension, hipped to gable roof extension and rear dormer.   35 Broadmead Killay Swansea SA2 7EE - MIXED DECISION</p>	

<p>The meeting were made aware that the address for the holiday lets at 4198 Gower Road was land behind Dawsons estate agents in Killay which has no access for construction equipment and no off-street parking. It was agreed that no action would be taken at this stage and await publication of a full planning application if applicable.</p>							
<p><b>8. Financial Report (SB / NF)</b></p>	<p><i>To be actioned by</i></p>						
<p><b>a) Statement of Accounts:</b> The January statement of accounts, circulated previously, was accepted and agreed by Council</p> <p><b>b) Approval of Clerk’s telephone expenses for February £29.00</b></p> <p>Cllr S John confirmed that the monthly bank statement has been checked and verified.</p> <p><b>Payments:</b> The Clerk requested approval for the following payments:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="132 622 1257 701"> <tr> <td>R Barrar</td> <td>£16.15</td> <td>Equality &amp; Inclusion Group (Milk/tea etc)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S Gee</td> <td>£7.64</td> <td>Equality &amp; Inclusion Group Badges</td> </tr> </table> <p>All payments were proposed by Cllrs D Morse and seconded by Cllr J Fitton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Fletcher reported to Councillors a payment of £200.78 has been made to Green Energy for electricity. Cllr Fletcher advised that the payment is correct based on an actual meter reading, following an estimated invoice in January.</li> <li>• In January the Clerk reported that the electricity contract expires on 31 March 2024. A new tariff has now been received which is considerably higher than expected. The proposed standing charge increases by £1.00 per day or £365 per year. Cllr Fletcher has contacted a broker and a new supplier called YU Energy has been found who will charge us 25p instead of the current 45p standing charge and the unit rate will be 29p instead of 50p per day. The contract has been signed and will run from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024. The YU electricity supply is from a renewable source.</li> </ul>	R Barrar	£16.15	Equality & Inclusion Group (Milk/tea etc)	S Gee	£7.64	Equality & Inclusion Group Badges	
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<p><b>9. Future Events – All Councillors</b></p>	<p><i>To be actioned by</i></p>						
<p><b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March – St Davids Day</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 30 Children from Hendrefoilan School will attend.</li> <li>• Dunvant School were invited but declined as the school has its own Eisteddfod.</li> <li>• Permission to take photographs of the children has been granted.</li> <li>• The Manager (Dan) of the Coop Gower Road is donating 40 Welsh Cakes for the children.</li> <li>• Mike John is collecting the tables from Siloam Chapel.</li> </ul> <p><b>May Tea Party</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The May Tea Party will be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May in St Hilary’s Church Hall, 12.30 – 4.30 hire time.</li> <li>• A working group will be arranged to discuss the details nearer the date.</li> <li>• Cllr S John has recommended Linda and Hudson “Sensation” as the entertainment. The Clerk agreed to make further enquiries.</li> <li>• A theme was suggested as 80 years since D Day.</li> </ul>	<p>Clerk</p>						
<p><b>10. Equality &amp; inclusivity (SG)</b></p>	<p><i>To be actioned by</i></p>						
<p>Cllr Gee confirmed that the Equality &amp; Inclusivity Group hosted an Engagement event at St Hilary’s Church Hall on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February and 18 professionals and representative of local agencies attended.</p>							

<p>Cllr Gee presented a brief verbal report and a full report will be provided in due course. A further meeting will be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> March at the Sketty Mosque.</p>	Cllr Gee
<p><b>11. Requests for Donations (SB)</b></p>	<i>To be actioned by</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A request from Killay 47<sup>th</sup> Scout Group has been received for financial help for the group to go to a summer camp at Cirencester. A discussion took place and it was carried unanimously to donate £500.00.</li> <li>• The request from Kids Cancer Group has been noted.</li> </ul>	Mrs S Bagley
<p><b>12. Welsh Language Proposal (RB)</b></p>	<i>To be actioned by</i>
<p>Cllr Barrar gave a brief talk regarding the Welsh Language Proposal, which includes raising awareness activities, educational resources, publicity Information, display boards and practical activities. Following this, it was agreed to adopt a Welsh language policy which will be reviewed annually. This was agreed by full council.</p>	
<p><b>13. Items for future meeting</b></p>	<i>To be actioned by</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Model Standing Orders</li> <li>• Planting of Wildflowers</li> </ul>	March agenda March agenda
<p><b>14. Any other business</b></p>	
<p>There was no further business to discuss, and the meeting closed at 8.39 pm.</p>	