

Cyngor Cymuned Llandeilo Ferwallt
Bishopston Community Council Meeting

Minutes of meeting held
Monday 27th January 2014. 7.30pm

Chair: Alun Edwards

Present. A. Edwards, (Chair) Cll'r K. Marsh. S. Dunce. S. Rewbridge. J. Lewis.

T. de Vall. C. Jones B. Phillips N. Richards. (Clerk)

9, Members of the General public present.

Apologies. J. Thomas. P. Canning. I. Shemilt.

Declarations of Interest :- Cll'r K. Marsh. (all planning).

Minutes. Minutes of the Council meeting, 23rd December 2013, were approved.

Minutes of RFC Meeting, 13th January 2014 - for information only.

The Chair of RFC Committee stated that the Songs of Praise, the Sunday prior to Mayday will not be held this year due to lack of interest over previous years, Full Council approved RFC decision. May Day Monday 5th will carry on and will be organised as usual arrangements by the RFC Committee.

The Chair brought forward Planning, Item 10 on the agenda, due to the presence of members of the public who were in attendance for one of the planning items.

Planning No. 2013/1733.

White Knight Gardens Nursery, Oldway, planning application for 26 dwellings.

The Chair suspended the Council meeting and requested a spokesperson from the members of public present, to put their views forward on this particular planning application where so much interest has been shown by the number of public present at the Council meeting. Mr. Brian Herd acted as spokesperson and stated that the site was an intensive development; the sewage and water supply are a concern. Highways safety, with 26 dwellings an approx. 70/80 vehicles which include visitors and commercial vehicles entering and leaving the one entrance into Killfield Rd and also onto Oldway at the keep left signs which is the main road.

Concerns over local schools, Bishopston Primary School and Bishopston Comprehensive School, these schools are already full with a possibility of a further 30 to 40 pupils with this development. There are known fissures in the area. The planning application was a tick box exercise by the applicant, typical example was that cyclists and walkers could utilise the site, which is a dead end close.

The Chair thanked Mr. Herd and restarted the meeting and continued with item 10 planning applications.

Planning.

2013/1733	White Knight Gardens Nursery, Oldway, Bishopston. Demolition of existing buildings and structures and construction of :- 6, detached dwellings with detached double garages. 2, detached dwellings with attached garages. 13, detached dwellings with integral garages. A terrace of 5x2 bedroomed dwellings. New access, landscaping and associated works.	Objected. Visual Impact, over intensity and density of site due to its size. Highways safety, entrance onto Killfield Rd and onto Oldway, at keep left signs, where visibility is poor, these roads are not suitable to an increase of possible extra 70/80 vehicles. Currently, Bishopston Primary School and Bishopston Comprehensive School are both full to capacity and would put extra pressure on schools as they are not capable of a possible increase of 30 to 40 pupils. Misleading information, suitable for walkers and cyclists, using a dead end Close ? Known Fissures in this area.
2013/1752	34, Brandy Cove Rd. Bishopston. Two side roof extensions.	No Objection
2013/1637	51, Pwll du Lane, Bishopston Two Storey side extension and single storey rear extension, amendment to original planning application 2013/1637, previous approved Dec 2013	No Objection
2014/0031	26, Oldway, Bishopston. Front Garage Extension	No Objection

Matters Arising.

06.02.11	Pwll du Lane	Cl'r K Marsh, Sign missing at Pwll du Lane and no parking sign by the well. Waiting on C & C of Swansea. Ongoing.
03.09.11	Kittle Egg Farm 2011/1257	Cl'r Marsh to request that enforcement action is taken due to the time scale. Concerns raised on transport route from M4. Ongoing.
01.10.11	Pedestrian access from to Campion Gardens to Copley Lodge	Cl'r K Marsh, waiting for the latest costing off C & C of Swansea, to provide a footpath Campion Gardens to Copley. Mr. Arnot, Sustrans, and 3 local schools support BCC. Mr. B. George, Transport Strategy of C & C of Swansea consideration to funding a footpath, in future years.
01.02.12	Land adjacent to the west of Copley Lodge	Somerset Trust had declined the BCC offer for the land. BCC solicitor written to Somerset Trust for their valuation.
02.10.12	Bus Shelter Copley Lodge	Cl'r Marsh stated that funds had been given for a new bus shelter, and to move the old Copley shelter to Bishopston Rd. C & C of Swansea to arrange, awaiting timing.

01.01.13	Community Bus Route 113.	New Ticket M/c has been checked by VOSA, Delay in introducing the ticket M/c. Briggs waiting C & C of Swansea for training arrangements.
01.06.13	Website Grants to C & C of Swansea from Welsh Assembly.	A grant of £500, to upgrade existing BCC websites, to enable Minutes and Agenda's to be read by the public. BCC new web site design is now up and running. Web site name, www.bishopstoncc.org.uk
01.10.13	Maintenance Contracts	RFC Committee has drafted new specification of maintenance contract; All Councillors had received a copy of Specification. Items on Contractor Responsibility and Insurance to be amended for legal clarification, Mr. B Phillips to supply Clerk with the legal wording to amend the specification.
01.11.12	Bishopston Nursery Park	The Sub – Committee formed, had received suggestions of the type of equipment available from various companies to renew Play equipment in Bishopston Nursery Park. Sub-Committee preparing project to take several months. Ongoing.
02.11.13	Council Vacancy	No nominations received, BCC can co-opt a Councillor, position to be advertised in notice boards.
01.12.13	ROSPA (Play safety)	Cl'r Mr. K. Marsh to make enquiries with C & C of Swansea on what play safety department the Council has and at what costs they charge. Mr. S. Wade of C & C of Swansea to be contacted. ROSPA's fees approx. £88.00 per site.
01.01.14	Ford, Church Lane Bishopston.	BCC has asked Gower Society as a project to re-instate the Ford In Church Lane. Gower Society has requested costs and Contractors from BCC. Cl'r K. Marsh to take up with C & C of Swansea Highways Dept. as this should be their responsibility.
02.01.14	Flooding, Pwll Du Lane	Awaiting C & C of Swansea to rectify the problem.
03.01.14	Flooding, Oldway	C & C of Swansea to check drainage pipes, not large enough.

Accounts for approval.

Monthly accounts approved as scheduled.

Recommendation of Finance Committee, Budget for 2014/2015 was approved.

Recommendation of Finance Committee to increase the Precept of 2014/15 from £33,000 to £34,000 was approved.

Correspondence.

E-Mail :- Gower Society replied to BCC suggestion of the Ford Church Lane as a future project for the Gower Society. Gower Society has replied asking BCC for Contractors and prices.

AP 01.01.14

Letter :- Pennard, Cl'r Mrs. Lynda James, requesting if any BCC Councillors would be interested in joining the working group against closure of Pennard Library. Cl'r K. Marsh and Chair Mr. A. Edwards have nominated their names.

Cl'r K. Marsh stated that while looking for ways to fund the working group, they had come across a fund, called "Entrust" which is a Landfill Communities Fund and that it was possible to fund Play Equipment for BCC. All the Council has to do is to register before 14th February. Clerk to request form for registration.

E-mail :- Unison Cymru Wales, requesting support to Save our Care Homes and Day Centres. E-mail was received 17th January to write to C & C of Swansea by 22nd January.
E-mail was noted as BCC did not meet till 27th January.

E-mail :- South Wales Police, notification of Chief Superintendent Julian Williams will be taking up the temporary post of Assistant Chief Constable Specialist Operations from 6th January for a 6 month period.

E-mail :- Reverend, A. Walker, Murton Methodist Church, notification of a fundraising "Barn Dance" Saturday, 1st February, tickets £6-00.

Reports.

- School Representative :- Mrs. T. de Vall stated that the pupils of Bishopston Primary School would like to be involved with poppy planting.
- Footpaths Officer :- Flooding, Pwll du Lane, still ongoing problem, Cl'r K. Marsh stated that it is on the list to do of C & C of Swansea. Clerk has written about concern but no response. AP 02.01.14
- Newsletter Committee :- Nothing to report.
- Ward Member :- Flooding Oldway, C & C of Swansea to check drainage pipes, they are not large enough. (Cl'r K. Marsh.) AP 03.01.14.
- Clerk :- Nothing to report.

Next Meeting.

Monday, 24th February @ 7-30pm 2014.