

Minutes of meeting held on 27th January 1992 at Hurton

Present: Mrs J.C.Vaughan, (Chairman), Mr. K.Marsh, Mr. F.T.Hughes, Mr. K.Roberts, Mr. D.John, Mr. B.Williams, Mr. K.Hibb, Mr. N.Richards, Mrs B.Arthur, Mrs J.Evans, Dr. P.Marshall, Mrs C.Colderick, Mr. B.Burn, Mrs C.Riley.

Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 18th December 1992 were approved.

Matters arising Craig-y-Nos School had won the appeal against a ruling by the S.C.C. Planning Authority that the car parking should discontinue outside the School perimeter Wall.

Police Matters Sgt Godrich and P.C. Ian Jones now responsible for Bishopston from the Mumbles Police Station attended the meeting. The Officers were welcomed and much discussion on matters relevant to this Community gave them background and historical information. The Community Watch scheme would be re-activated in the Spring and would have their full support.

Mr. Burn then joined the meeting

There were two burned out vehicles at Fwlldu Head. Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that they would be removed by the normal procedures. The Officers were thanked for their attendance.

Planning 91/6083. Hurton Rovers Club, Manselfield Road, Murton. Erection of an externally illuminated sign. Mr. N.Richards declared an interest and withdrew from the discussion on this application. The Community Council would object to this application. It is obtrusive, out of keeping with the area and is contrary to the ' Strategy for signs '

The sign was already in position.

The Council considers that a sign should be erected which would be more in keeping with similar types of sign in the area.

91/1520. 134 Bishopston Road, C.thorburn, Erection of a single storey extension No objection

91/1539 15 Fyle Road, Bishopston, W.M.Tamlin, Erection of Bungalow.

Deferred pending further information.

92/0035 75, Manselfield Road Simon Reed Loft conversion and Dormer.

No objection.

91/103. M.Morris, Craig-y-Nor, Caswell, New access to classified road (amended plans received)

The Community Council would object to this application on the following grounds

Access dangerous-opposite access to Redcliffe Development - leading to increase in traffic hazard and congestion on a blind corner.

Disturbance of existing Badger Set

T.F.O. in existence and would be violated

Gradient excessive

Unacceptable impact on the immediate area

Sub-Committee Report Mr. K.Hibb gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent meeting. The Casual vacancies had not been filled.

A recommendation that a sum of £1000.00 be set aside for the Fireworks event was accepted.

The Committee recommended that GERALD Davies Ltd be retained as Maintenance Contractor for the year 1992/93 at a cost of £6177.60. This was agreed.

Before clearance work on Copley Common was contemplated the Council decided to defer action until more consideration was given to the effects on Wildlife. A meeting with Mr. Paul Llewellyn should be arranged as a site visit and discussion

Finance The Council had placed its request for £20000.00 as a precept on the Swansea City Council.

G.A.L.C. Nothing to report

Cower
Action
Committee

Nothing to report

Roads

A sign at the entrance to Bishopston from Glyne Common indicated that the Village was named ' Northway '. Those responsible could not be identified, either in the County Council or the City Council. The Clerk said he would remove it if those responsible did not do so within the next week. All agreed

There was congestion at the top of Church Lane caused by up to 8 cars parked on either side of the Lane. The Police to be alerted.

In the matter of the situation at the entrance to Whitestone Mr. K.Roberts reported that the single line in the middle of the main road would be repainted to emphasise the possible hazard. There was nothing which could be done.

Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that he was trying to get Bishopston equal rights to the other Wards in the City in the matter of footway repairs. Currently Bishopston was at the end of the queue.

Sign in Brandy Cove needs replacement.

Mr. K.Roberts had called for a report on the promised Copley light to mark the junction with the main road.

Footpath

It was reported that the footpath along the top of Bishopston Valley to Pwlldu was blocked. Mr. Burn would investigate.

Community
School

Nothing to report

Library

Nothing to report

Village
Green

A communication had been received which indicated that a small tract of land to the South of Manselfield Road had been registered as a Village Green. This was noted.

Newsletter

Next Issue to be in March 1992. It was agreed that Community Council costs should be included in a future Newsletter.

A.O.B.

Planning in Cower. This to be discussed at the next meeting. Mr. F.T.Hughes stated that the Local Plan is being updated.

Mr. K.Roberts raised the question of low cost housing. This to be discussed at a later meeting.

Mr. K.Marsh commented on the facilities provided in the Murton car park. Bags full of clothes should not be left outside the clothing bank. If wet they were useless to the Spastics Society.

Bottles should not be left outside the Bottle Bank to cause a hazard.

Mr. D.John commented that he had noted that the standing timber in Herberts Lodge, Kilfield was being controlled by Forestry Commission principles.

Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that he was trying to have the rubbish accumulated near Cliff cottage, Bishopston removed.

Mr.f.t.hughes commented that the Secretary of State for Wales had said that Holt's Field, Murton was worth preserving.

The Clerk to look into the possibility of the provision of a Tin bank in Murton Car park.

Meeting closed at 9.37.p.m.

BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 24th February 1992

- Present: Mrs. J.C.Vaughan, (Chairman), Mr. F.T.Hughes, Mrs B.Arthur, Mr. B.Burn, Mr. K.Marsh, Dr. P.Marshall, MR.D.John, Mrs. J.Evans, Mr. K.Gibb, Mr. N.Richards, Mr. S.Williams.
- Apologies Mrs. C.Colderick, (convalescing). Mr. K.Roberts(business) Mrs C.Riley(holiday)
- Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 1992 were approved.
- Matters arising Mr. B.Burns had inspected the footpath along the top of Bishopston Valley but could not find the reported obstruction.
Mr. F.T.Hughes had no further news about the removal of rubbish tipped near Cliff Cottage.
- Police Matters Sgt. Godrich and Constable I.Jones were in attendance.
Mr. Gibb was of the opinion that, perhaps, as a result of confusion the Police were monitoring the traffic difficulties at Bishopston School and not at Craif-y-Nos School as requested. Sgt. Godrich stated that, as he was new to the area this was perhaps so. Constable Jones would monitor the situation.
Following discussion on dangerous Dogs the Police urged that all such Dogs should be reported to the Police or the City Council Dog patrol.
Mr. Gibb enquired about cycle training. Constable Jones would advise the next date.
- Planning 93/0076. 8 Holts Field, Murton, Replacement Chalet Bungalow(outline) Elitestone Ltd.
The Council is concerned that whereas the ' Conservation Area ' stipulated 27 buildings the construction of the bungalow proposed in this application would bring the total to 28. Therefore the proposal infringes the requirements as published. This Council would ask for information and guidance as it fully supports the original detailed status.
92/0109. Trelaugh Cottage, Copley Lodge, Bishopston . R.Wayne, Erection of Garage. No objection. The Council would recommend that the normal consultation with owners of neighbouring properties be carried out.
92/0112. Backingstone Farm. Fields 2883 and 1829. Bishopston, Mr. M.Fury, Erection of Stable Block.
This Council has no objection but would recommend that a section 106 condition be applied.
92/0166 9 Manselfield Drive, J.Edwards. Conservatory
No objection
92/0168 45 Oldway, Bishopston. G.P.Williams, Drive to side of house.
No objection.
- Planning Strategy Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that the proposed update of the Local Plan would not take place in the near future. This decision was aided by a reminder from Mr. Hughes that money should be saved in the present economic environment.
- Sub Committee Report Mrs J.Evans gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent meeting of the Sub-Committee
The continuing problem of horses intrusion on to the playing areas must be addressed. The Committee recommended moving the existing kissing gate from the Northway fence and moving it to the end of the trim trail. The resultant gap in the Northway fence would be repalced by a stile. Cost £250. This was agreed. The Committee requested support in the provision of a lockable Cupboard in the Kitchen of the Day Room for storage purposed. Cost £150. This was agreed. The signs on Murton Cree/Mansel Green to be inspected and replaced where damaged.
- M.C.A.L.C Deferred
- Gower Action Committee Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that the recent Welsh Office decision to refuse the development of a Gypsy site at Llangefelach was important in its implications for Fairwood.

*Footpath
Craif-y-nos*

Roads Mr. F.T.Hughes was progressing the replacement of missing road signs in the Community.
Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that the flooding in Pwlldu Lane had been cured by the clearance of a storm drain
There was no further action on Speed ramps at Pwlldu or Bishopston Road.

Footpaths There was little to report on public footpaths in general.
The applied footpath from Holts Field to Caswell should be signposted.
Mrs J.Evans raised the problem of dog-fouling on the Footpath to the School. The Clerk to bring this to the attention of the Heads Of Schools and the County Council
The footpath from Pwlldu Lane to Brandy Cove Road was now open to Motor Cycles.
Mr. B.Burn would investigate and report.
Footpath No 8 was still on the Agenda for refurbishment. Mr. B.Burn will investigate and report.

Community School Deferred

Library Deferred

Village Green The Clerk to follow up information received on a Village Green Society.

Dog By Law The Clerk now had in hand the new plans and was negotiating with the Home Office.

Newsletter A meeting of the Committee would be convened before the next meeting.

Crime Prevention Initiative To be discussed at next meeting.

A.O.B. Mr. F.T.Hughes reported on possibilities of future development at Swansea Airport and the implications. To be discussed at next meeting.
Tree planting in Streets. The Clerk to contact Kelvin Evans of the Upper Killay Community Council for information.

Meeting closed at 9.55.p.m.

BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on 30th March 1992

Present: Mrs J.C.Vaughan, (Chairman) Mrs J.Evans, Mrs C.Riley, Mr. B.Burn, Dr. P.Marshall, Mrs. G.Colderick, Mr. K.Gibb, Mr. K.Marsh, Mr. F.T.Hughes, Mr. K.Roberts, Mr. D.John Mr. N.richards, Mr. B.Williams.

Apologies, Mrs B.Arthur.

Minutes Themminutes of the meeting held on 24th February 1992 were approved.

Matters arising Mr. F.T.Hughes had no further news about the intended removal of rubbish from the Cliff Cottage area

Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that the Policy and Resources Committee of the City Council in discussing the restructuring of the Planning Department advocated the saving of £27,000. and to defer the review of the Local Plan.

Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that the replacement of road signs was in hand.

Police Matters Constable Ken Morris was in attendance. It was reported to Constable Morris that syringes and drug related items had been found in the Village. Constable Morris considered that drugs were now available in this area

Constable I. Jones was absent on sick leave and the post coding of bicycles had, unfortunately, delayed

There had been reports of dangerous dogs in the area. Constable Morris urged people to report to the Mumbles Police Station when such animals were encountered.

In answer to a query as to who is responsible if a dog broke loose while someone was on a right of way gave the answer ' the dog owner '.

For information telephone Tony Beer Community Services Department Cockett Police Station 456999.

Planning Matters 92/0220 18 Hareslade. Mr. A.C.Davies. Erection of Garden Shed and Coal House No objection but roofing materials to match adjacent roofing materials

92/0256. Mr. M.Bates 26 Pwlldu Lane. Ground floor extension No objection

92/0326 - Deferred

92/0280 - Deferred

A Communication had been received from the Development Department of the Swansea City Council on the subject of charges for copies of Planning applications, forms and drawings. This had resulted from a letter received by the City Council from the Dunvant Community Council concerning consultation and site visits. It was stated that the Committee Clerk will inform the Community Council when Planning Sub Committee visits will take place in the area. The Clerk to follow up to ensure Bishopston is offered similar services The question of charges to be taken up in view of a recent case in St. Thomas Swansea. Copy to Mr. Len Beynon of the Association of Local Councils.

Changes in Local Government Information had been received from the Welsh Office about Mr. David Hunt's proposals for the changes in Local Government. It was agreed to hold a special meeting on Thursday 23rd April 1992 for discussions. Comments on the proposals are required by the end of May 1992.

Holts Field Enquiry There will be an inquiry on the Holts Field Development to be held on 23rd April 1992.

Sub Committee Report Mr. K.Gibb gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent Sub-Committee meeting.

Horses were still a problem in the Community Areaand, in particular, on Recreation areas. The Clerk to contact Robbie Robinson for advice on grazing rights.

The road leading into the Nursery Park at Bishopston was in a poor state following the refurbishment of the Park. Drainage had been affected and large

pools of water frequently appeared. The Clerk to see what could be done.

W.G.A.L.C. Mrs Colderick would attend the N.A.L.C. conference at Southport. She was concerned that not enough information was forthcoming from the Local Office to allow for Council Consultations prior to the event.

Gower Action Committee Nothing to report.

Roads The hedges in properties to the Eastern side of Bishopston Road near the Malthouse were overgrown. The Clerk to contact the Householders. The road signs were still missing in several areas. Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that replacements were in hand.

Mr. K.Mars commented that whereas work had been done to control flooding in Pwlldu Lane it was not complete.

It is necessary to replace Kerbstones and road surfaces in Brandy Cove Road. Mr. Hughes reported that this will take some time as these were well down a list of priorities.

The Clerk to investigate the responsibility for the cleaning of the Bus Shelter at the malthouse.

Footpaths. Footpath No 28. Mr. B.Burn gave a report and recommendations for stile replacement and fencing. The Clerk to follow this up with a request to the County Council for grant aid and possible stile kit provision. Footpath No 8 Mr. B.Burn reported on the general situation and recommended that the upgrading should be in 3 sections. Mr. N.Gerke to be asked for quotations for the work.

The County Council to be informed that this Council wishes this path to be included in the 'adopt a footpath' scheme as already reported.

The Electricity Board had carried out works on Barland Common. Trees and under-growth have been left at random leaving the area in a disreputable state. The Clerk to contact the Electricity Board.

Pavement A letter had been received from a Ms Millington concerning the pavement from Kilfield Road to Broadmead. This to be reported to the City Council

OFWAT Notice of a meeting of the Customer Services Committee for Wales had been received. No further action required.

Social Care Plans for the Elderly and Disabled As part of the NHS and Community Care Act, Social Services Departments a meeting would be held at the County Hall on 16th April 1992. Dr. P.Marshall and Mr. D.John would attend and report to the next meeting.

Community School It was reported that the Headmistress of the Comprehensive School would propose a meeting to discuss improvements in facilities.

Library Nothing to report

Community Watch Nothing to report

Newsletter The latest issue was reviewed with some alterations. The final copy to be passed to the Clerk for printing.

West Glamorgan Crime Prevention Initiative This was discussed and it was resolved to invite Jane Griffiths Research Officer to meet the Council at a later date.

Bishopston Play Assoc. A letter had been received requesting a grant. The Council decreed that in the present climate all funds must be directed to the general facilities available to the whole Community

1891 Census Mr. B.Burn had provided a copy of the 1891 Census taken in Bishopston and Murton. Mr. N.Richards offered to have the copy encapsulated to be hung in the Day Room.

- B.B.C. B.B.C. Radio Wales are interested in taking the ' On the Road ' Series around smaller Communities in Wales. The Clerk to indicate that this Community Council will give its support.
- A.O.B. Mr. K.Cibb reported that there appeared to be hedge planting on that area of Common near Nazareth House which had previously been fenced off and subject to complaint from this Council. The Clerk to investigate and report to the Somerset Trust

Meeting closed at 10.20.p.m.



Minutes of meeting held on 27th April 1992

- Present Mrs J.C.Vaughan (Chairman) Mrs C.Colderick, Mr. B.Williams, Mrs J.Evans, Mr. D.John, Dr. P. Marshall, Mr. K.Gibb, Mr. K.Marsh, Mr. K.Roberts.
- Apologies Mrs C.Riley, Mr. N.Richards, Mr. B.Burn, Mrs. B.Arthur.
- Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 30th March 1992 were approved.
- Matters arising Following correspondence from the Welsh Office relating to changes in Local Government a special meeting was called. It was resolved at that meeting to generally welcome the change to Unitary Authorities and will welcome further information. The reply was required by the 30th April 1992.
- The distribution of the Newsletter was agreed.
- Police Matters Sgt Codrich was in attendance.
- Due to the prolonged absence of Constable Ian Jones on sick leave the post coding of bicycles is delayed. It was agreed to fix a date and announce it in the next issue of the Newsletter.
- It was reported that some local children had stretched a wire across Footpath No 8 causing a safety hazard. The School to be contacted.
- A Constable Powell had been appointed to monitor the traffic situation in the region of Craig-Y-Nos School. In his opinion there was no problem. This came as a surprise to Councillors.
- Sgt. Codrich was asked to, again, monitor the carparking situation around 3.15.p.m. in the region of the Spa Grocery Shop in Bishopston Road. Cars collecting pupils were, again, causing Traffic congestion.
- Planning 91/0079 Stables Pwlldu Lane. Field No 9006, Mr. K.Marsh had discovered that some stables erected in this field had not been placed according to the planning consent. This, apparently, had not been detected. ~~He would investigate further.~~
- Chippings migrating on to Pwlldu Lane from the site were causing difficulties to Pedestrians and to Motorists.
- 92/0326 Field 1471. Mrs Evans. Application to enquire if permission is necessary.
- 92/0329 Mr. A.Cowman 59 Pwlldu Lane 2 storey extension
No objection
- 92/0335 Dr. H.Hawkins. 5 Loose boxes and Hay Store. 4 sitings to choose from. Field No 8700 South West corner. Pwlldu Lane area.
- The Chairman declared an interest and left the meeting. Mrs J.Evans, Vice Chairman declared an interest presided over the ensuing discussion.
- It was resolved to recommend site C from the A,B,C,D offered. Green mineral to be used to match the adjacent to be applied.
- The Chairman then rejoined the meeting.
- 92/0446 5 Mansel Drive. Flat Roof extension
No objection
- There was considerable discussion on developments concerning an area of Common Land CL17 in the neighbourhood of Cliff Cottage, Bishopston. The ground had been cleared, small saplings had been removed. ~~It was agreed to investigate further.~~ *but not by Council.*
- The illuminated sign at Murton Rovers Club had been refused retrospective planning permission. The Clerk was instructed to find out why it had not been removed.
- Sub-Committee Report Mrs J.Evans gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent meeting. A request by the Sub-Committee to set aside £500. for the purchase of seats for recreation areas was deferred. *K Evans*
- W.G.A.L.C No further report
- Gower Action Committee No further report

- Footpaths A footpath across Holts Field Murton had now been recognised by the County Council
Action was being taken with reference to a 75% grant aid for refurbishment of footpaths. The W.C.C.C to be told that Footpath No 8 was the first consideration but others may be included.
- Mr. K.Roberts then left the meeting.
- Commons Registration A letter had been received from the Welsh Office enquiring about objections to Commons Registration. No further action required
- Community School A letter had been received from the Headmistress of the Bishopston Comprehensive School Mrs Williams requesting co-operation in upgrading the tennis courts.
Mrs Evans declared an interest and withdrew for the discussion.
A donation of £200 by the Community Council had not been taken up by the School for the second time. It was agreed to re-allocate the sum of £200 with no additional donation at this time. This was proposed by Mr. K.Marsh and seconded by Mrs. C.Colderick. Carried on a majority vote.
Mrs Williams had suggested setting up a joint meeting with the Sports Council The Council would attend such a meeting but it would be better if this would be better if this was organised through the School. The Community Council had never been successful in interesting the Sports Council Grant aid.
- Library
Village Green
Dog By Laws No further report
- Waste Savers A communication had been received from ' Waste Savers advertising waste collection services. The Clerk to write indicating what had been achieved and querying the provision of a Tin bank.
- Bottle Bank The Clerk to press for the inclusion of telephone numbers on the Bottle Banks.
The matter of waste waste left around the bottle banks and clothing banks to be referred to the Sub-Committee.
- Roads Drain covers on Northway required attention. One had sunk below the surface. The culvert across the road from the new Caswell Bay flats, made in concrete, was breaking up
Kerb stones in Brandy Cove road were in need of replacement.
There is a need for a sign indicating ' sharp bend ' in Pwlldu Lane.
'Sleeping policeman ' speed retarders had been promised for Pwlldu Lane. There was no progress so far.
- Community Care Dr. F.Marshall and Mr. D.John had attended a meeting at the County Hall. Contents of the discussions included Community Care and the provisions of the Act of Parliament, Private Nursing Homes and the curbs to be put on previous 'Blank Cheque' arrangements.
It was reported that there was concern about the number of people living in Residential Homes when it was not really necessary.
In April 1993 the D.S.S. would transfer for Community Care to the local Social Services Departments.
It is anticipated that there will be greater emphasis on Home Help.
Dr. Marshall and Mr. John were thanked for attending the conference and their report.
- A.O.B. In discussion on Tree Preservation Orders it was agreed to identify a number of trees and to apply for TPO's in order to prove the system
Mr. Williams queried progress in the expected change to the Telephone system for the Community. This was due to take place in the Spring of 1992. Currently a new phone book had been issued with existing numbers pre-fixed with the number 23.z

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th May 1992

Present: Those attending the Annual Meeting

Apologies Mrs. J.C.Vaughan

Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on ^{27 Amended} 13th May 1992 were approved.

Matters arising The edge of the verge at Northway Cross was being eroded by traffic, the Clerk to investigate.
 A large Bottle Bank had been provided by the S.C.C. in place of the original smaller Bank. The Clerk to urge the painting of telephone numbers as soon as possible. The money collected by sale of the glass was contributed to the Lord Mayor's charity. The Clerk to attempt to obtain a figure for the Bishopston contribution.
 Provisional suggestions for application for T.P.O's could include the: Copse behind Chapel House, Backingstone Lane, Bishopston; 2 trees opposite T.Jones Farm at Oldway; Herberts Lodge; Group T.P.O. to cover standing trees in hedges. This to be further investigated by next meeting.
 It was queried whether there was a T.P.O. to cover the woodland to the rear of 126/128 Bishopston Road. Mr. F.T.Hughes would investigate.
 Mr. K.Marsh suggested that Mr. M.Appleby, Tree Officer, S.C.C. be requested to supply an annual update on T.P.O's in the Bishopston Community.
 There was a Geographical Information Service covering areas to be developed in co-operation with the Ordnance Survey Department.

Police Matters There was no Police presence at the meeting.
 The reported incident of wire stretched across the Footpath No 8 to be checked
 Mr. F.T.Hughes reported an incident which occurred early one morning in the Brandy Cove area. A robbery was observed by a neighbour who telephoned the Police. The Police did not arrive and he gave chase in his own car when the robbers left the scene. He followed them to Derwyn Fawr area. He stopped a Patrol car but the driver said they were already on their way to an earlier incident. He reported the make of car and the registration number. He then followed them to the western end of the City boundary and unfortunately lost track of them. The Police arrived at the house in question at 8 am some seven hours after the incident.
 The Council considered that this, again, showed the severe under manning of Policing in Gower.
 The Clerk to write to the Chief Constable of South Wales Constabulary, Sgt. Godrich at the Mumbles Police Station and to Gareth Wardell M.P.

Common Land Parcel CL 17 Bishopston Mr. K.Marsh reported a concern related to some clearance works being carried out by the occupier of Rose Cottage, Bishopston which bordered on to Common Land parcel CL 17. *Clwyd*
 Saplings had been cleared and a semi continuous hedge had been planted which would allow access for animals on to Common Land.
 There was considerable discussion during which the Chairman adjourned the meeting to hear comments from the owners of the land a Mr. and Mrs. Edwards. Following the reconvening of the meeting it was agreed that the actions taken by the owners of the property did not infringe Common Rights but that the proper line of the footpaths Nos 13 and 14 must be established by the County Council and the paths preserved. The line of the path on the definitive Map was not the line of the path now used by the Public.
 It was resolved that no further action be taken by this Council until the County Council had improved their records situation and advised the actions to be taken.
 The only concern the Community Council had was the preservation of the footpaths. *and furthering of Common Land*

Planning Matters 92/0461. Dr. J.Howell, 196 Manselfield Road, Murton, Swansea. Single storey extension
 No objection

92/0465. Mr. B.P.Davies, Chantry Acre, Bishopston, Swansea. Amended Roof design to that given in planning consent under reference 85/1707. Change from full hip to barn style roof

No objection

92/0489. Rosemary Ann Evans, Glyn Ceinath Farm- Field 0045. Pwlldu Lane Bishopston, Swansea. New Field access

No objection

92/0491. David William Moore. 18 Caswell Bay Road, Bishopston Swansea. Two storey side extension(incorporating integral garage) and single storey extension

No objection

92/0521. C.D.James Field 1687 Bishopston, Swansea. Erection of two dwellings (outline)

The Council would object to this application to build two dwellings in close proximity to the Sewerage Works in Brandy Cove Lane, Bishopston, on the following grounds.

1. Too close to Sewerage Works, It is recognised that Sewerage farms are classed as unsatisfactory neighbours to residential dwellings
2. Outside Village boundary
3. Not meeting the needs of the Community.
4. Would set a precedent for further building in the immediate area.
5. There would be increased traffic on what is a Public Footpath (No 31)
6. The proposed development would be on A.O.N.B. Land.

92/0076. Elitestone. 8 Holts Field. Murton, Swansea. Replacement Chalet Bungalow - full application.

This application was brought to the attention of the Planning Officer Mr. K.Marsh by Mr. F.T.Hughes after the recent Council Meeting. Because of the nature of the development in this sensitive area the Chairman consented to hold an extra ordinary meeting for discussion of the subject. The Clerk assembled a Quorum consisting of : Mrs. J.Evans, Mr. K.Marsh; Mr. N.Richards, Mr. D.John, Mr. K.Gibb, and Mr. F.T.Hughes on Monday 1.06.92.

There would be no objection to this application provided that the details of the building included materials and services are within the published ' Holts Field. Murton Conservation Area Enhancement Programme and Design Guidance '

There should be a restriction on the construction and location of the proposed Cesspit. This should be within the boundary of the property
The Chairman then closed the meeting.

Murton Rovers Club Sign. Retrospective planning application. Welsh Office Appeal. Mr. N.Richards declared an interest and withdrew from the discussion. The Clerk to repeat the original objection to the sign in writing to the Welsh Office.

Mr. F.T.Hughes gave advanced notice of a problem relating to a Garage built at 22 Pyle Road, Bishopston without planning permission. This included a toilet and a ' look alike' front door. This is under investigation.

Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that an enforcement order had been issued to remove a high fence on a property at Manselfield Corner.

Mr. F.T.Hughes gave a short summary of his concern about developments at Fairwood Airport. In his opinion there may be deleterious effects affecting the Bishopston Community.

Sub-
Committee
Report

Mr. N.Richards gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent meeting
The Clerk to write to the Gower Commoners to clarify Commoners Rights in the area.

Best Kept
Garden
Competition

The Clerk would take the necessary steps to organise the event which would be judged during the week 13th to 18th July 1992.

W.G.A.L.C.

The A.G.M. of the Association would be held on 15th July 1992.
Mrs. C.Colderick and Dr. P.Marshall would attend the Community Councils

Conference to be held at Aberystwyth in September 1992.

- Roads Works required in Brandy Cove/Headland Road will be estimated and then a decision will be made to carryout/not carry out the requirements according to Mr. F.T.Hughes
- Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that Bus Shelters will be cleaned.
- It had been scheduled for the year 1991-1992 that the pavements in Kilfield/Longacre would be repaired. There is currently no movement in this direction To be investigated.
- Mr. K.Roberts would investigate the possibility of placing ' Pedestrians in Road' signs in Manselfield Road as a safety precaution.
- Mr. K.Roberts reported that the County Council had asked the Residents of Oldway to cut hedges. There was a dispute on responsibility, he would deal with it and keep this Council informed.
- Mr. K.Roberts reported that the grass bank at Pyle Corner, Bishopston was the responsibility of the County Council and he would request grass cutting.
- A ' Keep Clear ' sign had been painted on the Main road surface near the Chemists in Manselfield Road Murton. Those responsible could not be traced.
- Mr. K.Roberts would see what could be done about damaged and missing kerb stones at the Malthouse, Bishopston Road.
- The drain near the bus shelter on the main Northway Road was full of silt and was not carrying water away.
- Concern was expresse, again, about parking in Church Lane, Bishopston. To be discussed at next meeting.
- Footpaths Footpath No 28 to be discussed at next meeting
There was no further report on Footpath No 8
- Welsh Water Initiative Welsh Water would contribute towards the cost of replacing lead pipes with copper pipes. This to be included in the next copy of the Newsletter.
- Craig-y-Nos School A letter had been received from the Headmaster, Mr. Fursland objecting to an item in the recent Newsletter which he understood that the Community Council placed all the blame on the school for parking difficulties and dangers. The Clerk to assure him that this Council was only concerned with preventing accidents and had been pressing for speed restrictions long before the School was opened. Double white lines had been requested and refused.
The Clerk to invite Mr. Fursland to a future meeting.
- Community Watch A decision on names to be forwarded to the Police to be made at the next meeting.
- Gower Action Committees Nothing further to report.
- Due to time considerations the Chairman deferred the rest of the Agenda to the next meeting and closed the meeting.
- Meeting closed at 10.33.p.m.



BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 29th June 1992.

Present Mrs. J.Evans (Chairman) Mrs. C.Riley, Mrs. C.Colderick, Mr. D.John, Mr. K. Marsh, Mrs. J.C.Vaughan, Mr. K.Gibb, Mr. N.Richards, Mr. B.Burn, Mr. K.Roberts Mr. B.Williams.

Apologies Dr. P.Marshall, Mr. F.T.Hughes, Mrs B.Arthur.

Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 18th may 1992 were discussed and, subject to some amendments approved.
The Chairman requested the Clerk to leave a line space in the minutes distributed to Councillors when specific requirements were made. This to make for easier reference.

Matters arising The Chairman suspended ' matters arising ' to welcome Superintendent Leighton Jenkins, South Wales Police, Cockett - sttion to the meeting.

The Superintendent had been instructed by the Chief Constable to attend a Council meeting following receipt of a letter of concern from this Council relating to crime in the area.

Superintendent Jenkins gave a very open and frank address on Policing in his Division which included Bishopston, Mumbles and Swansea West. His account included reference to the number of calls, crimes and recent historical data, policing levels including the policing of prisoners.
He outlined his knowledge and actions taken concerning a recent incident in the Brandy Cove area and reported by this Council. He regretted that, at that particular period, all vehicles were in demand and no area car was available. He was following up information received.
It was revealed that a former Community Policeman, Constable J.Devoran, would be returning to Bishopston.

The Superintendent welcomed questions from the Councillors and there followed some discussion. He encouraged Community Watch schemes and was told that this Council had been active supporters but had been rather disappointed by the Police administration and response over a period of years. Superintendent gave assurance that, when the Community Council had completed the current listing of names, actions would be taken to ensure success. Reference was made to the Community Council Newsletter, issued quarterly, which was used to good effect.

Superintendent Jenkins was thanked for his address and he then left the meeting.

Matters arising continued Mr. K.Roberts referred the request to the County Council to establish the rights of way over Common Land parcel CL 17 in Bishopston. He was still awaiting a Report.

In the immediate area Mrs, C.Riley had noted that land clearance work was being carried out adjacent to Rose Cottage, Bishopston.

It was agreed that Mr. Ellis, Secretary to the Commoners Association be requested to attend a future meeting.

Police Matters Following the visit to the Council meeting by Superintendent L.Jenkins a letter should be sent to the Chief Constable of South Wales Police thanking him for responding to the recent Council Letter.

Flanning Matters 99/0528 Mr. J.Bladen. Field 4229. Caswell Bay Road, Bishopston, Erection of one dwelling (o tline)

The Community Council would object to this application on the following grounds:

1. The development is not in-fill
2. The development would be in open countryside.
3. The site is on agricultural land
4. Not meeting the requirements of local needs

Flanning
Matters
cont:

5. Would create a precedent for further development
6. Outside Village boundary
7. Exceeds the agreed number of new houses in the area.

92/0579 Mr. R.D.Williams 54 Northway, Bishopston. Erection of a single storey garage.

No objection other than the Council would urge that a section 106 clause be applied

92/0534 Dr. and Dr. N.Patel. Inshallah, Bishopston Road, Bishopston. Erection of a Conservatory

No objection

90/0681. Murton Rovers Club, Manselfield Road, Murton. Erection of new entrance foyer and lounge bar extensions

No objection

92/0700. Ann Evans, Field 1471, Bishopston, Erection of detached dwelling. The Community Council would object to this application on the following grounds:

1. Visually obtrusive from the Headland
2. The site is on A.C.N.N.Land
3. Outside the Village boundary.
4. Not infill
5. Exceeds the agreed number of new dwellings in the area.
6. Would generate increased traffic in a road system which is already suffering from related problems.

N.B. Should this application have been presented on an agricultural basis it would have generated an objection on viability grounds.

The Bishopston W.I. had written in complaint about the delapidated state of the former Petrol Station on Bishopston Road. It was feared that there could be a fire hazard or environmental problems. The Clerk to attempt to see what could be done to have the site cleared up.

Sub-Committee
Report

Mr. H.Richards gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent Sub-Committee meeting. Mr. Richards noted reports of a large tree which had been broken and was lying across the Northway hedge. The Sub-Committee to look into the overall position of signs prohibiting horse riding on greens.

Finance

The current financial statement was discussed. In view of the legislation which required that the Swansea City Council could not allocate the second payment against precept until September it was agreed to suspend further Capital investment until after that time.

It was decided to increase the charges for facilities. The charges from 1.09.92 would be as follows

Day Room 4hour period	
Non local groups/clubs/organisations	£15
Birthday parties	£10
Music groups	£10
Village Societies and groups	£ 7
Committee Room 4 hour period	£ 5 (decrease of £1)
Flaying pitches and changing rooms	

Mr. H.Richards declared an interest and withdrew from the discussion.

Junior games - per game	£ 5
Senior games - per game	£15.

Changing rooms, for use other than in connection with organised sporting event
£ 6

Finance
cont:

Special usage e.g. Craig-y-Nos School Junior football sessions
£16 per session

Fees to Caretakers and the Clerk to remain at 1991/92 levels.

Roads

Mrs C.Colderick reported that vehicles belonging to West Cross coaches were again turning in Northlands Park when on School bus duty. The Clerk to remind the Company of the hazard this may cause.

Mrs. C.Riley reported that due to a blocked drain heavy flooding occurred in the region of the Malthouse, Bishopston. Mr. K.Roberts would take action and report to the County Engineers Dept.

Hedge cutting and grass cutting continued to be a problem. The bank at Northway Hill, the bank at Fyle Corner and the hedge along Oldway were in need of attention. Mr. K.Roberts made note and stated that the responsibility for the Oldway hedge was in dispute. It was not clear if it was the County responsibility or the property owners responsibility.

Mr. B.Williams reported that spoil had been dumped on the verge in Hanselfield Road ruining recent clearing efforts. The Clerk to monitor.

Various hedges were in need of cutting back and signs such as at 93 Oldway were being obscured. Mr. K.Roberts would look at the whole spectrum. There was subsidence in the main road near No 127 Bishopston Road.

Footpaths

A letter had been received from a Mr. Booth of 21 Kilfield Road hoping that the lane between 19&21 Kilfield road would always be available to horse riders.

Footpath No 8. The Clerk to prepare a scheme for the refurbishment of the path, including gates. The scheme to go forward to the W.G.C.C. Path maintenance scheme following the next meeting.

The gate at the Plough & Harrow end of the path to be removed and replaced by a safety bar.

Barlands
Common

It appeared that there were moves by Barland Quarries Ltd. to purchase Barland Common. The boundaries of the existing workings had been extended from the Pennard boundary across into the Bishopston Community. This to be discussed with the Secretary of the Commons at the proposed meeting. The Clerk to ask the Somerset Trust for information.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 11.10.p.m.



Minutes of meeting held on 27th July 1992

Present. Mrs J.Evans(Chairman), Mrs. C.Riley, Mrs. C.Golderick, Mr. K.Marsh, Mr. N.Richards, Mr. D.John, Mr. K.Gibb, Dr. F.Marshall, Mr. F.T.Hughes, Mrs. J.C.Vaughan, Mr. B.Williams, Mr. B.Burn.

Apologies Mrs. B.Arthur, Mr. K.Roberts.

Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 29th June 1992 were approved.

Matters arising There was still concern about the activities of the Barland Quarries Company Mr. F.T.Hughes stated that there was no major change in the operations. Concern was expressed about the spread of spoil and that the river cavern roof under the Quarry had been penetrated. The Clerk to write to the W.G.C.C. to find out just what is going on. It was considered that Barlands Common was being spoiled by tipping and there could be a quarry expansion programme. The latter was refuted by Mr. Dawson of the Somerset Trust. An attempt should be made to persuade a Commoners Representative to a future meeting.

Police Matters P.C. J.Devoran was in attendance. He was welcomed by the Council on his return to Bishopston. A rather discourteous letter had been received from Llanrhidian Lower Council requesting support to cancel future 'Gŵer Bike Rides'. This according to that Council was disruptive and could cause injury due to the manner in which the event was run. This Council considered that as the event was held once a year and was a charity to provide funds for the British Heart Foundation and as other charity events such as Bishopston and Pennard Carnivals were supported so should this event. The Clerk to reply suggesting that perhaps better co-operation with the Police, Charity Authorities and Clubs may help to alleviate the apparent problems.

P.C.Devoran would be in attendance at the Fireworks evening. The Clerk to write to Superintendent Jenkins requesting the loan of crash barriers.

Mr. Burn then joined the meeting.

There was discussion on the continued difficulties with the car park at Pwlldu Head. The latest problem was the theft of bicycles. The many problems associated with the car park have been exacerbated by the action of Swansea City Council producing a tourist brochure indicating that the next car park to Caswell in Gower is at Pwlldu Head.

The exercise to carry out 'Bike marking to be left to the September meeting with possible help from P.C.Devoran at some date in October.

Planning Matters 92/0739. Mr. J.Hollingworth. 60 Manselfield Road, Murton. Two storey extension No objection However, it should be a condition of planning consent that the hedge which had recently been destroyed should be reinstated. There was insufficient space for the parking of two cars before the hedge was removed.

It is pointed out that the pumping station adjacent to the above property needs parking space for two long vehicles (attending the pumping station in emergency)

92/0833 Mr. Mrs. S.Harrison 52 Manselfield Road, Murton. Erection of Grannie annexe.

No objection

Whereas the Community Council has no objection to this application it is recommended that a section 106 be applied to this development.

There should be no sub-letting.

Should the property be sold the dwelling and annexe to be sold as one unit.

The annexe should not be put to Commercial use.

It is pointed out that there were no measurements shown on the drawing viewed.

The resultant roof should be of a 'pitch' type construction.

91/0079. Field No 9006. Stables built without planning permission. Spoil spilling on to Pwlldu Lane.

The Enforcement Officer to be contacted to request action.

Mrs C.Riley then left the meeting

93/1327. Mr. S.McNamara. Field 1461. Manselfield Road, Murton. Erection of one dwelling.

The application originally discussed during meeting held on 25.11.91. had been subjected to appeal to the Welsh Office.

It was resolved to object as previously and to add ' No justification for additional local dwelling in the area' and, Intrusion into the open countryside.

It had been revealed that responses to planning applications were being lost in the City Council . This could well be that collective responses containing a number of planning references were being filed under the initial number. In future each planning response would be on a separate pre-printed sheet. These can then be filed correctly.

91/0476 - Dr. Mathews, Murton Cottage.

It was reported that surface water was draining on to Council Land in spite of a letter from the Council refusing permission. The Clerk to investigate and inform Dr. Mathews that the practice must stop.

92/0700. Glynceinach Farm Field 1471. Mr. F.T.Hughes forecast a site visit to consider the application subject to an objection by this Council. It appeared that a report had been issued which did not include references to the Bishopston Community Council. He had asked for another report. The Clerk had provided a duplicate copy of the original objection.

92/0271 - Kittle Green, Cower. Erection of one dwelling.

While appreciating that the above proposed development is not within the Bishopston Community. Mr. F.T.Hughes considered that the resulting structure will have an effect on the character and visual amenities when viewed from the village of Bishopston. It was feared that a precedent would be set for further development and further encroachment into open countryside. Policy G.V.3 of the Local Plan which was formulated to protect the open countryside and, in particular, the A.O.N.B. (including visual amenity will be undermined should this application be approved.

The Council agreed with Mr. F.T.Hughes and decided to object accordingly. The Clerk to action.

Mr. F.T.Hughes reported concern that a dwelling known as 60 Bishopston Road may be demolished to make way for further modern development.

The Community Council is concerned that old buildings of substance are being demolished without sufficient thought being given to the effects on the general character of the Cower area.

The Council would urge the S.C.C. to use their powers to award Conservation Status to the area around the cottage which has been recognised as Bishopston Village Green for at least 80 years.

The Clerk to action.

Tree preservation orders to be discussed at the next meeting.

Sub- Committee Report Mr N.Richards gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent meeting.

A separate meeting to discuss arrangements for the Fireworks evening to be held on 9th September.

The Committee requested permission to purchase and install 2 Litter bins in the Bishopston Nursery Park as a matter of safety and hygiene. Acceptance proposed by Mrs. C.Colderick, seconded by Mrs. J.C.Vaughan, cost £250, all agreed.

To correct an anomaly in Fees charged for playing facilities. It was proposed by Mr. K.Gibb and seconded by Mr. F.T.Hughes that the Craig-y-Nos School be charged £12 per session. Carried on a majority vote.

W.G.A.L.C. Nothing to report

Best Kept Garden Competition The Clerk would continue with arrangements for the presentation of prizes.

Roads

Mr. F.T.Hughes was concerned that little or nothing had resulted from the City Engineers ' Talk Back ' session. The Clerk to request an update. The City Engineer had intimated that, shortly, name plates would be updated at entrances to the Community. He suggested that courtesy signs similar to those erected at Kittle could be provided at a cost of £100 per sign. It was agreed to accept the offer for three signs. The Clerk to action. The lettering to read " Please drive carefully through our Village ".

Mr. J.Mullard to be invited to the next meeting primarily to discuss Pwlldu Car Park.

Mr. K.Marsh annotated several items which were of concern to the Bishopston Community.

The Car Park at Middlecroft Lane was in need of attention by the County Council.

There was a large hole in the road outside Oldway Farm

The drain outside 23 Pwlldu Lane is still blocked and is in need of rodding by the Council.

The Sign at 93 Oldway is completely obscured and hedge cutting is required.

Road signs in Brandy Cove area are in need of replacement.

Pwlldu Head Car Park

Deferred until next meeting at the request of Mr. K.Marsh

Footpaths

It had been reported that a Mr. Fury was in progress of cutting back the hedges on Bridleway No 20.

Mrs. Evans then left the meeting

Mr. N.Richards chaired the remainder of the meeting

The Bridleway to Caswell was impassable due to the muddy conditions. There should be a wooden walkway installed to circumvent the muddy patches. The Clerk to write to Don Morris Caswell Valley Conservator.

Gower Action Committee

Deferred

Community School

Deferred

Community Watch

Deferred

Village Green

J.Moses to be contacted again

By Laws

The Clerk reported that he was having difficulties in finding out who was responsible between the Home Office, DEPARTMENT OF THE Environment, and the Welsh Office. He would continue to process the action.

Newsletter

A meeting to be arranged prior to the next meeting of the Council

Library

Nothing to report

A.O.B.

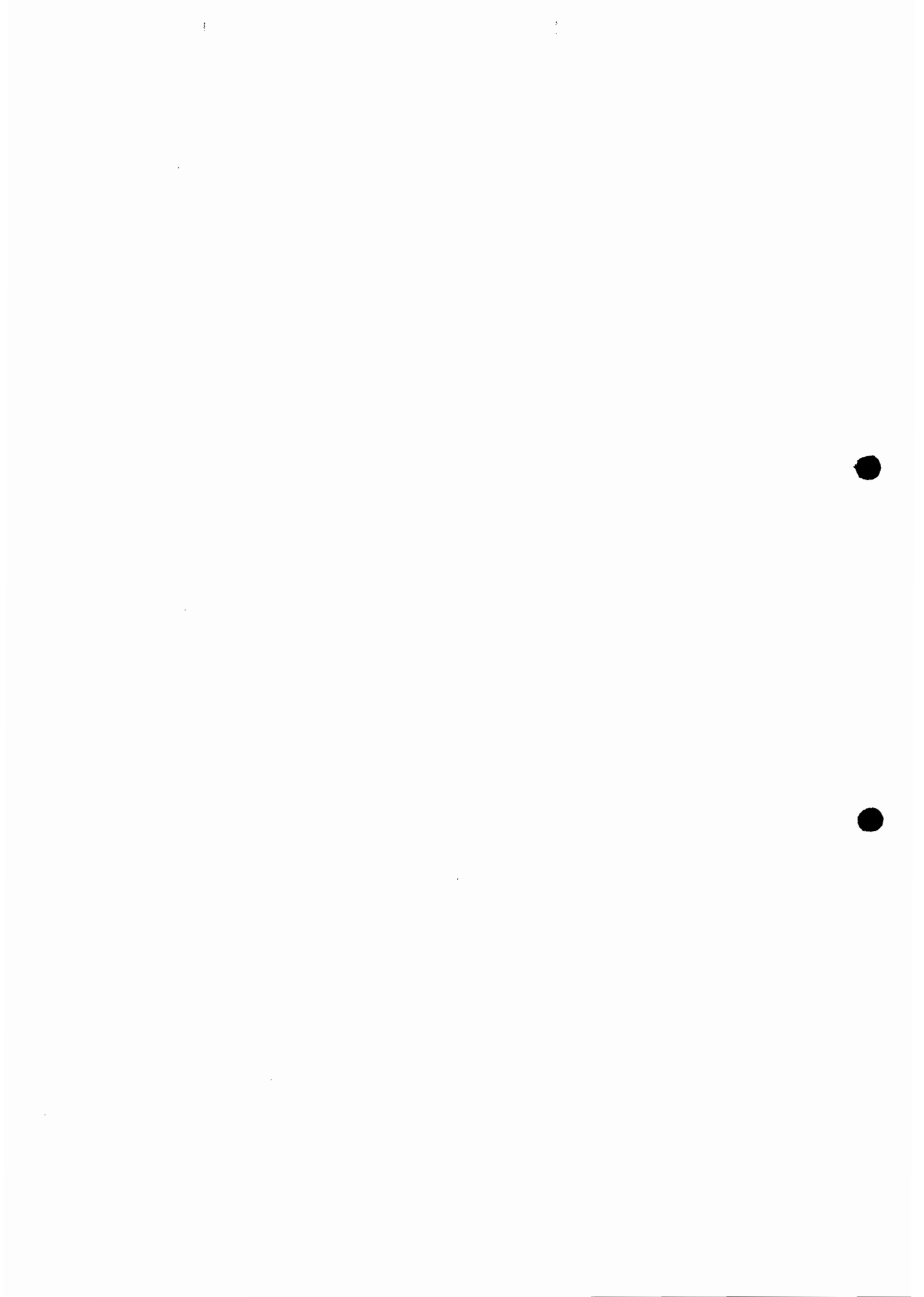
Mr. F.T.Hughes showed a new booklet - Planning Strategy- issued by the S.C.C. He would provide copies for Councillors.

The road outside the new Caswell Bay development had deteriorated. Mr. F.T.Hughes and the Clerk to see what could be done

Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that the delapidated property No 7 Bishopston Road may be demolished.

Gower Forum. Mr. F.T.Hughes was concerned that a vacancy on the Forum had been filled by undemocratic means. The Clerk to object and try to get the decision reversed. He would write to Mr. D.Wilson City Planner.

Meeting closed at 10.05.p.m.



BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on 28th September 1992

Present: Mrs J.Evans (Chairman), Mrs C.Riley, Mr. D.John, Mrs B.Arthur, Mrs C.Colderick, Mrs J.C.Vaughan, Mr. F.T.Hughes, Mr. N.Richards, Mr. K.Gibb, Dr. P.Marshall, Mr. K.Roberts, Mr. K.Marsh,

Apologies Mr. B.Burn

Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 27th July 1992 were discussed and, following some alterations were approved.

Matters arising The National River Authority had taken some samples for testing down stream from the Barlands Quarry and found little or no contamination of the water apart from discolouration.

Mr. F.T.Hughes had been confirmed as a member of the Gower Forum

Police Matters There was no Police presence at this meeting. Marking of Bikes with post code referred until next meeting. *Report 7*

Finance The scheduled Finance meeting had had to be postponed until 15th October 1992.

Planning Matters { Craig-y-Nos School. A new building was being erected for teaching purposes in advance of planning permission. The Clerk to inform the City Council Planning Department.

The Enforcement Officer had visited the School in April 1992 to inform the authorities that retrospective planning permission was needed. A temporary building was moved to the rear of the School. Health and safety factors were involved. The use of additional accommodation will increase the number of cars competing for space in the off road car park.

Mr. J.Millard Mr. J.Millard of the Swansea City Council then joined the meeting accompanied by a new Project Officer, Mr. S.Parry, Officer for Gower.

Mrs. J.C.Vaughan then left the meeting.

Mr. J.Millard gave an outline of the operations over which he had responsibility Several points were highlighted:

There would be new information signs for Gower

There would be a new Countryside Council for Wales.

More information is to be distributed in a Gower Events programmes.

Volunteers are to plant trees in selected areas

There would be a refurbished Cheriton - Rhosilli footpath

There is to be a Site Management plan for several areas including Pwlldu.

The problems associated with the car park at Pwlldu were aired by members and considerable discussion ensued. Mr. F.T.Hughes volunteered the information that Mr Millard realised that the decision, taken before his appointment, to create the car park was a mistake.

Reference to Pwlldu car park should be erased from the City Council Tourist brochure.

Mr. D.John pointed out that there was no problem with cars on East Cliff, Pennard, on the other side of Pwlldu Bay.

Problems with access to Brandy Cove where steps are too high were discussed

In discussion on Bishopston Valley and Bishopston Church Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that he had succeeded in obtaining an allocation of £10,000.00 to spend in Bishopston. Most of this would be spent on the car park alongside the river near Bishopston Church. The bridge was in urgent need of repair. The whole area was in need of a management plan. The river was changing its course and moving nearer to the Church. The public footpath had disappeared as the banks were aeroded.

Mr. Millard would obtain information on 'The Way Forward' for communication to the Council

Mr. Mullard was thanked for a most informative discussion and he and Mr. Parry then left the meeting.

Planning Matters

92/0875. P.Jones, 22 Oldway, Bishopston. Single storey side extension. Reviewed by Special Planning Quorum.

No objection

92/0913 46 Eastlands Park, Bishopston. R.K.Wheel. Extension to existing Garage.

Reviewed by Special Planning Quorum
No objection

? already planned

92/0918 Land at rear of 51b Bishopston Road, Bishopston, Mr. L.Jones. Conversion of redundant agricultural building into dwelling.

Reviewed by Special Planning Quorum

Objection on the following grounds:

Cannot be classed as 'infill'

No established need for additional dwelling in the area.

Would exceed the approved number of new dwellings in the Bishopston Community

Could lead to further development

Outside the building line

Overintensity of site

Additional housing could lead to overloading of sewage system.

Take up of parking spaces shown on plan could lead to to additional parking

on Bishopston Road. Entrance could be blocked by delivery lorries servicing

'Spar' Stores.

Two previous applications for development of this site were refused by the City Planning Authorities. An appeal to the Welsh Office relating to the second of the two applications was refused.

W.M. 8/1/2000

92/0956 17 Mansfield Road Murton. L.J.Frame. Addition of first floor to Bungalow

No objection

92/0962. Field 0098, 1600,8700, Hareslade, Bishopston. S.W.E.B. - Erection of a SWEB overhead line in Fields 0098,1600,8700.

The Council would not object to this application. However, it is understood that the Swansea City Council has come to an agreement with S.W.E.B. that all future electric lines in this area should be underground. It is recommended that this application should be the first to be constructed under the new agreement.

92/1045 (60 Pyle Road, Bishopston. B.Williams. Top & Lop Beech Trees referred to in T.P.O. P18/1/2/351.

The Community Council would request a deferrment on this application to allow for a report from Mr. M.Appleby, Tree Preservation Officer.

92/0995- - Delegated

92/1045 - Delegated

Deferred

two letters delegated

Planning for Disabled

Talk back

The Clerk to request Mr. I.Jones S.C.C. Chief Engineer to provide the date of the promised meeting and to ensure better advertising than last time.

Role of Community Councils in Wales.

The Bishopston Community Council welcomes the Consultation Paper issued by the Secretary of State for Wales. Having attended meetings under the auspices of the West Glamorgan County Council and the Swansea City Council the issues have been considered and we would wish to highlight some factors which are important to this Community. Community Councils should be preserved as the core of the Community. A balance should be struck which would allow Community Councils more autonomy where it is seen to be of benefit to the Community, and, within their capabilities, and not just to seek dilution of the potential strengths of a Unitary Authority.

There should be more consultation with Local Authorities, particularly on

Planning matters and we would consider that appointed Planning Officers should be allowed to speak at Local Authority Planning meetings. Consultation on matters which include Public Safety, e.g. Highways should be of paramount importance.

- . The present system which allows for the dissolution of Local Councils should be abolished and replaced by the majority vote system outlined in the Consultation Paper.
- . The present method of Financial support does not allow forward looking Rural Community Councils to develop their Community. More support should be given by, for example, the Sports Council who cannot currently give grant aid to Community Councils.
- . Funding of Local elections should be from central funds.

Sub-Committee Report

Mr. N. Richards gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent Sub-Committee meeting.

The Council agreed to the purchase of orange plastic fencing for crowd control - carried on a majority vote.

The Council agreed to the purchase of £150 worth of bulbs for the annual bulb planting exercise.

Newsletter

Discussion and authority to print latest issue.

Mr. Roberts then left the meeting

Mr. Richards then left the meeting

Welsh School Bus

It was reported that the bus picking up and delivering children for the Welsh School was parking in a haphazard and dangerous position at entrance to Northlands Park. The Police to be informed.

Comprehensive School

A letter had been received from the 5th Form of the Comprehensive School enquiring about the provision of recycling facilities at the School. These were already available at Murton Car Park, The Clerk to reply asking for more specific details.

Community Watch

Deferred

A.O.B.

Mrs Colderick reported that the tyre swing at Murton Nursery Park was dangerous. The chains could twist together and pinch fingers. The Clerk to investigate.

Mr. Marsh raised the question of the speed of vehicles in Bishopston Village and the danger at the entrance to Whitestone Avenue. Motorists turning left towards Pyle Road often encounter vehicles crossing over the centre line of Caswell Bay Road. There should be a bollard at this point. To be referred to the next meeting under Police matters.

Meeting closed at 11.01 p.m.



Horse show man's strays impounded

ONE OF the organisers of Swansea City Council's prestigious horse show has had nine of his animals impounded by the authority for allowing them to stray.

Farmer John Marson was in London for the International Horse of the Year show when the council moved in to round up his ponies from private land in Gower.

He had been talking to potential competitors and sponsors on behalf of the authority.

But now he has been refused permission to have them back until he pays impounding fees of more than £500.

Mr Marson is one of the principal organisers for the council's Spring Bank Holiday Show at Singleton Park.

Today he criticised the authority for its handling of the affair claiming they had split mares and foals up when transporting the ponies from private land close to Bishopston Comprehensive School.

He said officials had ridden rough-shod over his rights as a Gower commoner allowing him to freely let his animals roam on common land.

Mr Marson, of Coed-y-Rhyd, Fairwood, said: "The council's horse pound is meant for animals left tethered to stakes on the big estates not for ponies grazing

By Evening Post
reporter

on Gower.

"They were immediately adjacent to the common and could easily have been ushered back on.

"My daughter was in tears pleading with them. But they still went ahead."

City council environmental health chief Mr Eddie Ramsden said today that the authority had a problem with straying horses and had acted after a complaint from a member of the public.

He added: "They initially went into Bishopston School grounds and we had a call from the headmaster.

"They then went onto adjoining private land. We removed nine and helped Mr Marson's daughter take charge of a further 10.

"They were not on common land. They are being well looked after



Minutes of meeting held on 19th October 1992

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Present: Mrs. J.Evans (Chairman), Mrs. J.C.Vaughan, Mrs. C.Riley, Mr. B.Williams, Mr. D.John, Mr. K.Roberts, Mrs. B.Arthur, Mr. K.Marsh, Mr. N.Richards, Mr. K. Gibb, Dr. P.Marshall, Mr. F.T.Hughes

P.C.J.Devoran, 12 Local Electors.

Apologies Mrs. C.Colderick and Mr. B.Burn

Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 28th September 1992 were approved.

Matters arising There appeared to be progress in creating a new building or buildings at Craig - Nos School in advance of planning permission. The County Council to be informed and urge that the Enforcement Officer should take action until a planning application is made and approval given.

'Talk Back'. There was to be a second 'Talk Back' session organised by S.C.C. Engineers Dept, but, as yet, no date was available.

Police Matters P.C.J.Devoran was in attendance.

There was considerable discussion on a recent traffic accident in Bishopston Road in the region of the SPAR grocery shop. The Chairman, at times, allowed open discussion including the local electors present. There was general agreement that the parking of cars on the Eastern side of the road, restricting the carriageway to one lane and the speed of some vehicles caused many near accidents and, in this instance, a most severe accident.

In the matter of speed restriction Mr. K.Roberts reported that the installation of traffic calming 'humps' between the Joiners Arms Public House and the Malthouse was imminent. There would also be a 'speed throttle' near the entrance to the School on Bishopston Road. When questioned why this system could not be continued throughout Bishopston Road or at least to the junction with Providence Lane he stated that this stretch of road did not meet the specification which would call for speed restricting 'humps' e.g. absence of continuous footpaths contour of road etc.

With guidance from P.C.Devoran it was resolved to request that the Police Traffic Management Department look again at the speed of traffic in the area particularly where school children are walking.

Among suggestions put forward were the introduction of continuous yellow lines on the eastern side of the road and the elimination of the lay-by.

The County Council to be requested to review its policy of road marking in Village areas.

P.C.Devoran will monitor the parking of vehicles during legally restricted times along the relevant stretch of road from Provident Lane to the School entrance. He commented, that from his experience most of the drivers who parked illegally were locals who completely disregarded the No parking signs.

Mr. K.Roberts reported that the W.G.C.C. is currently reviewing policy on School entrances.

Mr. B.Williams then joined the meeting.

The County Council to be left in no doubt about the concern of the Community Council about the traffic management in the Community.

There followed further discussion. Another accident had occurred at Copley Junction. Requested requests for the installation of double yellow lines in the area had not been successful. Mr. Roberts would advise.

There was concern that additional buildings/classrooms at Craig-y-Nos school would increase the number of cars visiting the school to deliver and pick up pupils. This would further aggravate the parking situation.

Signs should be placed in Bishopston Road advertising the Childrens Playground.

Mr. Roberts commented again, that overgrown hedges in private properties were further aggravating the traffic hazard. More publicity is required

This is a retrospective application to erect a 6ft fence on top of a 4ft wall. An original wild hedge had been removed.

The overall height of the construction exceeds accepted planning guidelines. The construction is out of character and is an intrusion on the environment. The Community Council would recommend that the construction is removed and a hedge replanted.

Consideration should be given to identifying T.P.O'S required and the information sent to Mr. M.Appleby T.P.O.Officer

Concern was expressed about lack of information on progress relating to P.A. 92/0739. 60 Manselfield Rd. Murton. Investigations to be made.

Information received on provision for disabled persons access to Public buildings to be deferred to the November meeting. It was queried whether it would be law by 1994 for public access buildings to have the necessary provision of toilet usage by disabled persons.

Sub-Committee Report Mr. N.Richards gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent Sub-Committee meeting.

A special meeting would be held on Monday 23.11.92 at 7.30.p.m. in the Day Room to discuss the future management of Mansel Green
In the matter of the outstanding account payable to the S.C.C. for works on Murton Car Park permission was given to pay 95% of the account. There still remained some work to be done.

Swansea Sewage Outlet Should a planning application be made to create an outlet at Mumbles for the new Swansea Sewage scheme this Council would object.
The findings by Welsh Water that the outlet should be at Kings Dock, Swansea, should be supported.

Drainage Holts Field Some information on a proposal by Holt Jones Ltd for drainage at Holts Field provided by Mr. F.T.Hughes was noted.

W.G.A.L.C. Deferred

Roads There was a need for a street light opposite the entrance to Gerratts Close on Pyle Road, Bishopston.
The sign at the bottom of Murton Lane indicating Murton was in need of repair. Noted by Mr. F.T.Hughes

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P.C.J.Devoran would be available on Saturday 21st November to post code bicycles at Murton Car Park from 10.30.a.m. to 1.p.m. and 2.30.p.m. to 4.p.m. The Clerk to arrange advertising. The Schools to be informed.

Mr. B.Williams reported that an elderly lady had been attacked in Manselfield P.C.Devoran commented that while this was obviously of concern it was an isolated incident. The Villagers were much more prone to daylight burglaries.

P.c.Devoran was thanked for his visit and he then left the meeting.

Duration of Council Meetings

The Chairman commented that, regularly, Council meetings were extended to beyond three hours. She considered that the following changes should be instituted by the next meeting :

finish at 10pm

- . The business of Council Meetings would last a maximum of ^{finish at 10pm.} 2½ hours.
- . Planning matters would last a maximum of 45 minutes.
- . When a visiting speaker had been asked to attend, meetings would start at 7.00.p.m.

All agreed

The Council accepted the latest issue of the Financial statement.

Allocations for Capital expenditure were approved as follows:

Bike rack	75
Bulbs	150
Litter bins	250
Chairmans Allowance	+ 200
Orange Fencing	70
Road Signs	300
Water tank (showers)	222
Footpath update	300

Planning Matters

92/1079 116 Bishopston Road, Mr. B.williams, The Council had requested a deferment pending a report by the T.P.O. on whether Beech Trees could be topped and lopped. This had now been received and the request for deferment should be cancelled.

92/1151. P.Trotman, 22 Pyle Road. Retention of detached garage and reduction of the ridge height to 4,5 meters.

The Council would object to this application on the following grounds:

The Community Council previously objected to the original application and would object to the proposed modification as inadequate and not meeting planning requirements.

The objections to the amended proposal 90/0084/03 are recorded in "Area planning Sub-Committee (South West) minutes dated 21.07.92.

This is the third application for building on this site. The Community Council would reiterate the recommendation that enforcement action be taken to have the building demolished as planning permission was not granted.

Should the planning authority see fit to approve this application then a section 106 must be imposed which would restrict the use of the garage to ' garaging of private vehicles in the ownership of the residents of 22 Pyle road, Bishopston. There should be no facility for Commercial usage.'

92/1156 1 Mansel Drive, Murton. Retention of pitched roof on single storey extension. R.V. Kostromin.

No objection

92/1180 B.Thomas, 41 Headland Road. Bishopston. Erection of 6ft fence The Council would object to this application on the following grounds:

This is a retrospective application to erect a 6ft fence on top of a 4ft wall. An original wild hedge had been removed. The overall height of the construction exceeds accepted planning guidelines. The construction is out of character and is an intrusion on the environment. The Community Council would recommend that the construction is removed and a hedge replanted.

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work
Have Council
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funding*

Consideration should be given to identifying T.P.O'S required and the information sent to Mr. M.Appleby T.P.O.Officer

Concern was expressed about lack of information on progress relating to P.A. 92/0739. 60 Manselfield Rd. Murton. Investigations to be made.

Information received on provision for disabled persons access to Public buildings to be deferred to the November meeting. It was queried whether it would be law by 1994 for public access buildings to have the necessary provision of toilet usage by disabled persons.

Sub-Committee Report Mr. N.Richards gave a brief report based on the minutes of the recent Sub-Committee meeting.

A special meeting would be held on Monday 23.11.92 at 7.30.p.m. in the Day Room to discuss the future management of Mansel Green. In the matter of the outstanding account payable to the S.C.C. for works on Murton Car Park permission was given to pay 95% of the account. There still remained some work to be done.

Swansea Sewage Outlet Should a planning application be made to create an outlet at Mumbles for the new Swansea Sewage scheme this Council would object. The findings by Welsh Water that the outlet should be at Kings Dock, Swansea, should be supported.

Drainage Holts Field Some information on a proposal by Holt Jones Ltd for drainage at Holts Field provided by Mr. F.T.Hughes was noted.

W.G.A.L.C. Deferred

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It was reported that the County Engineer would establish a 'Pedestrian Only' restriction on the lane between Longacre and Kilfield Road. The Stile to therear of the Knapp farm is broken and in need of repair. This is on National Trust and. Mr. J. Mullard to be contacted for assistance.

The Clerk reported that he expected to have quotations for the work envisaged at Footpaths Nos 8 and 28 by the next meeting

Gower Action Committee Mr. K. Roberts reported that the Committee was still active and tha the W.G.C.C. was actively pursuing the Fairwood site.

Community School Deferred

Community Watch Discussion deferred until next meeting

Village Green The Clerk reported that he was still investigating

Dog
Per Laws No further news.

A.O.B. It was reported that the barland Quarry Company had submitted another application to the County Council to extend the operatios at the Quarry

Mr. K. Marsh requested discussion on the creation of a Planning Committee. To be deferred until next meeting.

Meeting closed at 10.30.p.m.



Minutes of meeting held on Monday 30th November 1992

Present : Mr. N.Richards, Mrs. C.Riley, Mrs. C.Colderick, Mrs. B.Arthur, Dr. P.Marshall,
Mr. B.Burn, Mr. D.John, Mr. K.Marsh, Mr. K.Roberts, Mr. K.Gibb, Mrs. J.C.Vaughan,
Mr. F.T.Hughes, Mr. B.Williams.

Apologies Mrs. J.Evans.

In the absence of the Chairman, Mrs. J.Evans, Mr. Richards chaired the meeting.

Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 19th October 1992 were discussed. Following a correction to the minute on Police Matters and the addition of a note concerning Mr. J. Mullard to the minute on Footpaths the minutes were approved.

Matters arising The date of the promised 'Talk back' session by the City Engineer was not yet available.

Planning Matters ✓ 92/1211. Mrs. R.James. 15 Copley Lodge, Bishopston. Single storey rear extension.

Delegated

Mrs. J.C.Vaughan then joined the meeting.

✓ 92/1180. 41 Haadland Road, Bishopston.
Discussed at 19.10.92 meeting and objection raised.

✓ 92/1252. Craig - y-Nos School, Clyne Common, Bishopston
Erection of pitched roof demountable classroom(amendment to previous application 90/0492/03
No objection

✓ 92/1320. 17 Manselfield Road, Murton. Addition of first floor to bungalow
No objection.

✓ 92/1293. 89 Bishopston Road. 2 Storey Rear extension. J.B.Stanton.
No objection

✓ 92/1313. 96 Manselfield Road, Murton. Dormer extension to side elevation.
D.Topping

No objection.

Sgts M. Godrich and A.Lewis then joined the meeting for discussions on Community Watch.

There was open discussion which included references to the several times the Community Council had tried to introduce Community Watch and were frustrated by the lack of support by the Police. This must be a two way system if it is to succeed.

Sgt Lewis will support the Council in setting up the scheme.

It was considered that the best way forward was for the Community Council to draw up a list of 'co-ordinators' for areas within the Community and a 'co-ordinating Officer' appointed from the Community Council would liaise with them on a regular basis.

Sgt Lewis would attend a meeting of 'co-ordinators'

It was agreed, as a first step, to hold a 'sort out' meeting in the Committee Room on Tuesday 5th January 1993 at 7.30.p.m.

Sgts Godrich and Lewis were thanked for their visit and they then left the meeting.

92/0271. 4 Kittle Green. Erection of one dwelling. This application first discussed at the 27.07.92 meeting was sent to appeal. The Clerk to write to the Welsh Office reiterating the original objection

It was suggested that a Planning Committee be set up. However, following some discussion it was agreed that the Planning Officer and his Deputy had full powers and Authority to handle all planning matters including those Delegated by the City Planning Officers.

92/0962. S.W.E.B. Overhead line in Fields 0098, 1600, 8700.
This application was discussed at the 28.09.92 meeting when objections were raised. Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that he had succeeded in delaying a decision pending comment from the S.W.E.B.

92/0918 . L.Jones. Land at rear of 51.b. Bishopston Road, Bishopston. This application was discussed at the 28.09.92 meeting when objections were raised. Mr. F.T.Hughes reported that decision had been deferred pending a site meeting to view traffic problems in the immediate area. No date was given.

A Consultation Document - Joint Report on Access for disabled Persons--Planning matters, was accepted.

Barlands Quarry. Mr. K.Roberts reported that an original approved planning application in 1948 was being instituted. Copies of drawings have been requested and will be made available.
Recent works in the 'Nib' area of the Quarry have been closely monitored and were tidying up operations. Mr. Roberts stated ' In no way will the 'Nib' be touched'.

Pwlldu Car Park. Mr. K.Marsh had taken a series of photographs showing indiscriminate and unthinking parking of vehicles. He had written a draft letter which the Clerk would forward to the City Council as added information in the project to sort out the Pwlldu Head parking problems.
Mrs. Colderick reported that the problems had been raised in the presence of Mr. Jonathan Millard at the Gower Forum.

Sub
Committee
Report

Mr. N.Richards gave a report based on the minutes of the recent Sub - Committee meeting and also a meeting with Mr. Paul Llewellyn and a site visit to Mansel Green. The Sub-Committee expressed the opinion that the 'natural' way was the way forward at Mansel Green. Initially, clearance of the stream and overgrowth would be tackled.
A letter would be sent to the Residents of the Copley Estate indicating an outline of the work to be carried out.
There would be a further site meeting at 10 am. on Sunday December 6th inst
Fireworks evening. The evening had been very successful without incident. Ticket and gate sales generated, to date, a sum of £899.45. It was considered that adverse weather conditions had an effect in reducing attendance.
The Sub-Committee recommended that the Council set aside the sum of £1500 for the 1993 Event. This was due to the encouraging feed back from the Public who thoroughly enjoyed the event but encouraged a more ' aerial' spectacle.
The recommendation was approved on a majority vote.

It was decided to settle the final account to the City Council for works at Murton Car park. £ 644.32. The Clerk to register disapproval at their efforts to have the project finished satisfactorily.

In Bulb Planting in the Bishopston area the Manor House bank should be added.

Tenders for painting of Buildings to be initially discussed by the Sub- Committee.

W.G.A.L.C. Mrs. C.Colderick had attended a training Day. She would issue a report at the next meeting
Mrs. Colderick and Mrs Mathews a member of the Sub-Committee had attended a Seminar on Playground equipment. She would issue a report on Play Wales by next meeting.

Police
Matters

P.C. J.Devoran had conducted a bike marking exercise on Saturday 21st ³ November 1992. During a very wet day he marked 19 bicycles and gave a promise to mark a similar number during the following week by appointment at individual houses.

He agreed to carry out another exercise in the coming months.

Roads

Following comment from Mr. K.Gibb that the Long Acre sign was not clearly visible Mr. F.T.Hughes noted the point and commented that he had numerous signs on order but they were taking some time to prepare.

Clearance of drains and rodding of drain pipes was of increasing concern. Among areas affected were Pwlldu Lane, the malthouse, and the corner at Murton Post Office.

Mr. F.T.Hughes stated that a particular problem existed outside No 23 Pwlldu Lane. He had personally accompanied City Council workmen to rod drains without subsequent sustained success. It was considered that the Clerk should write to the County Engineer for help.

Mrs. C.Colderick complained that the Welsh School Bus continued to reverse into Northlands Park causing traffic hazards. The Clerk to write to Colwills of Penclawdd to ask them to inform their drivers of the dangers involved,

The sign posts giving advance warning to motorists that there was a Nursery Park in Bishopston Road was awaited.

A letter and diagram from Mr. K.Roberts showing the intended installation of traffic calming 'humps' and a traffic throttle near the Bishopston School entrance in Bishopston Road was noted.

Footpaths

The Clerk reported that he had had only two quotations for works on the Footpaths No 8 and 28. Five invitations to Tender had been issued. Two Contractors asked for more time due to business commitments.

The Clerk was instructed to open the Tenders.

Mrs. C.Riley declared an interest and did not take part in the substances of the discussions,

Having read the quotations the Council decided that additional information was needed from the two Contractors. The Clerk to action.

Mr. K.Roberts then left the meeting

Snow Plan

A communication from West Glamorgan County Council on the County Snow Plan was noted.

Some of the data may be modified and used in the next Newsletter.

Village Green

Nothing to report

Dog By-Laws

No further news from the Home Office.

Library

Nothing to report

Gower Action
Committee

Nothing to report

Community
School

Deferred

Swansea
Citizens

A letter requesting donations was noted

Advice Bureau

Home Care

Mr. K.Marsh provided copies of a letter which forecasted a considerable decrease in Homecare Activity. This however, was not reflected in a reduction of the price paid by the recipients. The Clerk to write to the Director of Social Services in complaint about the reduction in Services.

A.O.B.

Notification had been received that a Mr. Scott had taken over the Management of the Valley Hotel, Bishopston.

Mr. F.T.Hughes advised that he had the option to take some 20 disadvantaged people to the Grand Theatre at £2.0 to £ 2.50. per person.

Meeting closed at 10.09 p.m.



Minutes of meeting held on 21st December 1992

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Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 30th November 1992 were approved.

Matters As per Agenda
arising

Police Matters Nil

Planning
Matters

92/1354 P.Jones 22 Oldway, Bishopston. Two storey side extension and rear balcony (amendment to existing planning permission 92/0875)
Discussed at special planning meeting and objections raised.
Grounds for objection : The balcony to the rear will be directly opposite the landing window of 24 Oldway, approximately 6ft away from window. This is an unreasonable intrusion on the neighbours right to privacy.
The extension will cut off sunlight from the wall of the neighbours house giving rise to possible damp problems. This would also have a somewhat over-powering effect on the house.
The proximity and nature of the extension would have an adverse effect on the valuation of the property known as 24 Oldway
The construction would lead to overdevelopment of the site.
The decision on this delegated application should be deferred and put to the full Committee.

1 Kilfarna Road

92/1363 Mr. G.P.and Mrs V.Jenkins, 48 Bishopston Road, Bishopston. Retention of three new dormer windows on rear elevation and alteration to vehicular access.
Discussed at special planning meeting and no objection raised.

92/1427 C.Howell. Land to the west of Fields 1767 and 2456. Miles Lane Murton. Erection of 30 Residential Houses (outline).
The Community Council would object to this application on the following grounds
Contrary to the Local Plan. The proposal would involve a substantial urbanisation of the area which would significantly erode the separate identities of Murton and Newton.
It is prejudicial to Policy LP3 of the Local Plan which seeks to protect the landscape West of Newton
It is contrary to the County Structural Plan Policies H4(iv) c 1 c2 c6.
It would be an undesirable intrusion into the open countryside and be detrimental to the visual and environmental amenities of the area.
The C161 Lane between Newton and Murton is narrow and inadequate. Pedestrian access and safety would suffer from the increase in traffic which would arise from the development
It is not infill
It would set a precedent for future development
Access would be across Common Land.
Recent application in the area for 1 house was rejected on appeal to the Welsh Office.
A previous application for 15 houses was rejected and generated a petition signed by some 500 people

Fields to south of bridge way

Mr. K.Roberts then joined the meeting.

92/1434 Dr. M.Hawkins. Field 6800 Backingstone Lane, Bishopston. Retention of field shelter and store (relaxation of condition 07 relating to planning permission 92/033 granted 31st July 1992).

Mrs J.C.Vaughan declared an interest and withdrew from discussions.

No objection - Qualified

92/1436 Mr. P.K. Deeks, The Lodge, Bishopston. Demolition of existing dwelling and replacement with new detached house.

No objection but the Community Council would recommend that: Wall finishes should include an element of local stone; All trees subject to a T.P.O. to be protected. Trees already cut down to be replaced, where necessary. In the event of a sale all buildings to be sold as one.

92/6088 Murton Rovers Club. Externally illuminated sign.

Mr. N. Richards declared an interest and withdrew from discussions.

The Council would object to this application on the grounds that: The signs would be obtrusive, out of keeping with the area and contrary to the "Strategy for Gower"

The Community Council considers that a sign could be erected which would be more in keeping with other types of sign in the area

Mr. L. Richards and Mr. R. Ellis of the Gower Commoners Association then joined the meeting.

Mr. Richards and Mr. Ellis addressed the meeting giving the present outlook and objectives of the Clyne Group of Gower Commoners. Points raised included: The Commoners were going to fence the South side of Clyne Common and would have to find funds for necessary fences and cattle grids.

With reference to a fence which periodically appeared in the Copley area the Visitors informed the members of the Council that a fence could be erected for a maximum of 3 months with the consent of the Somerset Trust. If there was an infringement it could be removed.

Fencing of Commons cannot take place without the permission of the Commoners. Permission had been given for the fences around Murton Playing Fields with an 18" gap for sheep escape from the Highway.

It is the duty of the County Council to sort out the difficulties and disputes about footpaths.

The Somerset Trust, which owns most of the Common Land in the area informs the Commoners when change of ownership occurs.

Where Stock straying occurs e.g. to the Mayals people could help by fencing against the Common

The Visitors agreed that even though the low chain fence outside Nazareth House does not stop animals from grazing they would still like to see it taken down.

The Tarmac surface outside the Craig-y-Nos School had been in place since the last war and removal, if needed, was up to the Somerset Trust.

The Visitors were then thanked for their presentation and discussion and they then left the meeting.

7 Separate buildings in Gower
92/0706 S. King. Oldway, Bishopston. An application for an extension to existing building was causing concern and many complaints had been made. A new application was needed.

Mr. K. Roberts had carried out some investigations into the development of the quarrying operations at Barland Quarry, Bishopston. Some agreements and plans were missing from the County Council records.

Currently the top of the 'NIB' had been removed. An enforcement order had been issued to stop further works.

An up to date survey was to be carried out and further investigation made by the County Council into historical records.

Mr. Roberts now had cause for concern about limiting further operations in the 'NIB' area of the Quarry.

It was agreed that Mr. N. Cerke should be requested to cut a swathe in the undergrowth adjacent to the Northway Road from Northway Cross to Copley. Cost £150.00

The Carol Service had been most satisfactory. Mrs. Colderick was concerned about the small number of Councillors who had actually attended the event

Planning
cont

Barlands
Quarry

Committee
report

The Chairman thanked Mrs. C.Colderick for providing refreshments for the Salvation Army Band.

The local Guides Association had carried out a large bulb planting exercise on behalf of the Community Council. It was agreed to make a contribution of £40 to their funds

W.G.A.L.C. Nothing to report

Roads The building of a new development had resulted in much mud and rubble covering the surface of Pwlldu Lane. The Developer is clearing the debris and the problem should be shortlived

Flooding below entrance to Brynleuan

Mr. B.Williams reported the appearance of a hole or 'sink' in the verge opposite the shop in Manselfield. A hole had appeared in the road surface of Oldway, Bishopston. Mr. K.Roberts would take action to cure the problems

The repeater sign outside the Mirton Day Room was missing. Following another vehicle crash and the demolition of the fence on the bend at Barlands it is recommended that the Council should construct a crash barrier along the length of the existing fence line.

Footpaths

In the matter of the grant assisted refurbishment of Footpath No 8 the Clerk had obtained the required additional information. Mr. K.Marsh proposed and Mr. F.T.Hughes seconded that Mr. N.Gerke's quotation be accepted. This was carried on a majority vote. The Clerk would now progress the grant application through the County Council. Mr. K.Marsh and Mr. D.John

? + Footpath 50. + Footpath 28

marked main

Mr. K.Marsh and Mr. D.John volunteered to help Mr. J.Millard of the S.C.C. to install a stile and carry out refurbishment works on Footpath No 28.

A letter had been received from the Gower Society pointing out the previously recorded problems at Cliff Cottage where a line of very young Beech trees had been planted along a path. The Clerk to acknowledge the letter and the situation would be monitored.

Brindle path ?

There appeared to be some problems in finding the line of the footpath No 20 in the region of 'Ocean Meadows', Bishopston. The County Council to be asked to provide some Waymarking signs.

Community Watch

Mr. K.Marsh was appointed Co-Ordinator. There would be a special meeting on 5.01.93.

O.B.

Nil

Meeting closed at 10.07 p.m.

Footpath 50. used by water cart. across to houses.

