

LLANDOUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES
COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 JULY, 2018 AT 7.00PM IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER.**

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs P. Carreyett (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs P. Gay (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor M. Edwards
Councillor D. Mears
Councillor E. Penn
Councillor I. Williams

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Dr M. Misra

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25 JUNE, 2018.

RESOLVED that: The minutes be confirmed as a correct record.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

There were none.

3. MODEL STANDING ORDERS.

The Committee had been provided with the latest standing orders supplied by One Voice Wales. The model contained a number of optional sections for Councils to determine their specific method of working. The Committee considered the model and made a number of changes and additions to suit its needs.

RESOLVED that: The standing orders be amended and the final version be circulated to all members of the Council.

4. DRAFT E-MAIL PROTOCOL.

The Committee gave consideration to the content of the draft protocol prepared by the Clerk.

RESOLVED that:

a) Para 7 of the protocol be deleted.

b) Para 6 be only included if the Council at its meeting on 26 July, 2018 decides to arrange for all Councillors to have Council e-mail addresses.

It was noted that all Councillors were not necessarily in favour of having Council e-mail addresses.

5. CONSULTATIONS.

i) Diversity in Democracy.

The Committee gave its consideration to the call for evidence to the National Assembly in relation to its work in this area.

RESOLVED that: The National Assembly be informed that the Council considers that diversity in democracy could be improved by simplifying the process for candidates to submit their nominations for elections to include the introduction of a mobile app to complete and submit nomination forms and the requirement for candidates to hand deliver their nomination forms for prior checking by Elections Officers be removed as this can restrict those working full-time from visiting the designated officer during work time.

ii) Vale of Glamorgan Council – Draft Parking Strategy.

The Committee gave consideration to the draft that had been circulated to Councils for comments.

RESOLVED that: The following comments be submitted –

- a) The proposed new parking charges for local attractions such as Cosmeston Country Park and Cliff Tops be opposed as it is considered unfair and inappropriate for an additional financial burden to be levied on Council taxpayers and visitors to the area.
- b) The introduction of on-street car parking charges will serve as a discouragement for people to use town centre shops which need the support of local people.
- c) Such charges will result in a perverse incentive for motorists to park in residential areas.
- d) It is regrettable that the Strategy does not include any reference to the parking difficulties in Llandough which is in the unique situation of having the second largest hospital in Wales within its community area. It was hoped that the Strategy would have at least committed some action to a full appraisal of the parking issues in the community to identify specific issues and possible solutions to highlighted problems.

iii) Vale of Glamorgan Public Space Protection Orders.

The Committee gave consideration to the consultation with a range of views being expressed including the need to avoid an over-reaction to those dog owners who flout

the bye-laws and the need for some action to be taken in order to deal with the problem of dog fouling on the basis of protecting the health of the users of Council park facilities.

RESOLVED that: The Vale of Glamorgan Council be informed that: -

- a) The proposals represent a punishment for responsible dog owners which is unfair as they represent the majority of dog owners.
- b) Rather than have the bans and restrictions proposed, it would be preferable for CCTV camera boxes to be fitted at all of the sites with warning signs and for cameras to be rotated on the same basis as is operated for speed cameras.
- c) The Vale of Glamorgan Council should urge the UK Government to introduce compulsory licensing for all dogs as well as micro-chipping.
- d) All children's play areas should be fenced off to prevent access by dogs.