CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are invited to attend a Meeting of the

ARMED FORCES COMMUNITY COVENANT SIGNATORIES PANEL

At: Committee Room 1, Civic Centre, Swansea

On: Tuesday, 26 January 2016

Time: 2.00 pm

AGENDA

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- 1 Apologies for Absence.
- 2 Disclosures of Personal & Prejudicial Interests from Members. www.swansea.gov.uk/DisclosuresofInterests
- Minutes.
 To approve, as a correct record, the Minutes of the previous meeting.
- 4 Funding Update Verbal.
- 5 Updates by Panel Members.

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Monday 18 January 2016

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MINUTES OF THE ARMED FORCES COMMUNITY COVENANT SIGNATORIES PANEL

HELD AT COMMITTEE ROOM 3, CIVIC CENTRE, SWANSEA ON WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 2.00 PM

PRESENT: Capt Chris Evans (Vice Chair) presided

Representing Organisations: -

Councillor A S C Colburn - Mumbles and South Gower Royal British Legion

- SCVS Alvx Baharie Eve Warburton - UWTSD

Jo Jones - South Wales Police South Wales Police Tony McAlinden

Rob Tovey - Mid & West Wales Fire Service

- SSAFA Dave Singletary Neil Jones - SSAFA UK Donna Nicholls Listen In

Sandy Shaw Change Step / SSAFA

Nick Lockley - Ospreys Rugby

Also Present: -

Judith Roberts De Oscuro

Officers: -

- City & County of Swansea, Special Events Manager Nigel Jones

Spencer Martin - Voluntary Sector Relationship Co-ordinator

Jeremy Parkhouse - Democratic Services Officer

9 TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J E Burtonshaw, Sophie O'Kelly, Raymond Ciborowski and Steve Stokoe.

10 TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL & PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS FROM MEMBERS.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City & County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

11 **MINUTES**.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Armed Forces Community Covenant Signatories Panel held on 24 June 2015, be agreed as a correct record.

12 VERBAL UPDATE ON ARMED FORCES COVENANT FUNDING.

The Voluntary Sector Relationship Co-ordinator provided a verbal update regarding Armed Forces Covenant Funding.

He outlined that he and the Vice Chair had attended a meeting in Cardiff where they were informed regarding how grants were progressed. He detailed the application process undertaken by applicants prior to approval by the Ministry of Defence (MOD). He added that a new grant programme was being introduced by the MOD and would pay £10m per annum in perpetuity, which included £8m for larger applicants and £2m for lower amount applications. However, the £2m would be distributed pro-rata throughout the country.

Furthermore, applications would be fully electronic but local authorities had been removed from the application process. The MOD would make all payments and monitor applications regionally. It had also been proposed that another level of meetings be introduced with the Chair and Vice Chair representing council areas. It had also been proposed that the majority of applications be considered via email. The MOD aspired to having 7 regional panels to consider applications.

It was commented that the MOD had underestimated the involvement of officers in the process.

The contents of the report were noted.

13 PRESENTATION ON TRIPTYCH - AN INTRODUCTION TO THE WORK OF THE GROUP.

Judith Roberts, De Oscuro provided the meeting with an outline presentation regarding the work of Triptych. She referred to the tour of Afghanistan by the Welsh Guards and commented on the dignity of the families in interviews following the loss of family members on active service.

She added that she had attended monthly meetings organised by the Royal British Legion and was astounded by the willingness of people to speak and their openness. Triptych grew out of interviews with people on camera and included former service personnel and family members speaking on camera. Furthermore, it also involved a fictional story regarding 3 generations within the South Wales Valleys with the third

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part being a dance piece. Veterans who watched the presentation were very moved. Triptych presented to small audiences in Cardiff, North Wales and Llanelli.

The aim was to open the production to a wider audience next year and she asked the Panel for help and suggestions for proceeding. She added that veterans would be seen in a different light if a wider audience watched the production.

The Chair thanked Judith Roberts for providing the presentation.

14 <u>UPDATES BY PANEL MEMBERS.</u>

Panel Members provided updates relating to the activities and events involving their Groups / Organisations.

The Chair thanked all present for their contributions.

15 **NEXT MEETING.**

The Panel requested that the meeting scheduled for 23 December 2015 be moved to a suitable date in January 2016.

AGREED that Democratic Services liaise with the Chair and schedule the next meeting on a suitable date in January 2016.

The meeting ended at 3.28 pm

CHAIR