

THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Cyngor Cymuned Y Crwys

MINUTES OF MEETING

HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY, 19th SEPTEMBER 2013 AT 7.30pm

PRESENT:

Community Councillor

Paxton R Hood-Williams (PHW)

Warren Smart [WS]

Community Councillor

Nigel Aubrey [NA]

Belinda Hansford [BH]

Clerk: Ian Donaldson [ID]

Members of the public present: Dusty & Penny Kennedy, Dana Evans.

Prior to the meeting Mrs Kennedy asked about the Japanese Knotweed growth on the piece of land at the corner of Cilonnen and Tirmynydd Roads. The chairman explained that although the council do not own this parcel of land, the probable owners have been contacted and informed of the problem. He outlined the position with respect to possible treatment plans.

Dana Evans expressed her concerns over the knotweed situation in a parcel of land behind her home in Pentwyn. Again, the chairman said that the ownership of this land was yet to be confirmed, but assured Dana Evans that, should the community council lease this land any time in the future, the residents of that area would be consulted about any changes to be made.

**Meeting commenced 7.30pm Community Councillor P R Hood-Williams
(Chair of the Community Council) Presiding**

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION BY
248	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> Apologies were received from Cllrs Kevin White, Phil Place and Daniel Jones.	
249	<u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREDUDICIAL INTEREST</u> A declaration of interest was received from Cllr Hood-Williams with regard to all City & County of Swansea matters.	

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250	<p><u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u></p> <p>The chairman reported that there had been a Capital Projects meeting the previous Sunday.</p>	ID
251	<p><u>MINUTES OF MEETINGS</u></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18th July 2013 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings with one correction, that of Cllr Hansford's name in item 234. This was proposed by Cllr Aubrey, seconded by Cllr Hansford and carried unanimously.</p>	
252	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></p> <p>There were no matters arising.</p>	
253	<p><u>CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE</u></p> <p>1. Community Centre Deeds- TCCC received 24/7/13 a copy of the deeds for Three Crosses Community Centre from Sheehan's Solicitors, Neath.</p> <p>2. Meeting with Edward Holloway (Knight Frank/Somerset Trust) 8/8/13- The meeting was attended by Cllrs Hood-Williams, Smart and the Clerk, and was arranged to discuss the various parcels of common land around the village.</p> <p>It was agreed that the small parcel of land around the old well could be leased to the council so that the pump could be rebuilt.</p> <p>A licence to cut the remaining parcels of land between Tirmynydd and Chapel Roads would be granted to the council for two years.</p> <p>Mr Holloway agreed that the knotweed problem needed to be addressed in those areas known to be managed by Somerset Trust. It was agreed that an expert be engaged to formulate a plan for eradication. Mr Holloway stated that the Trust would be agreeable to funding the treatment(s).</p> <p>The meeting visited several other sites, including the parcel adjoining the Old School House, the sliver of land at the entrance to Dukefield, the small triangle between Cilonnen and Tirmynydd Roads, and the two parcels opposite each other on Gowerton Road. Mr Holloway was provided with a highlighted plan showing each site and was asked to confirm if the Somerset Trust owned the land. He agreed to reply within two weeks to the clerk.</p> <p>TCCC received a letter from Mr Holloway on the 19th August to which was attached a 'Licence to Cut' the land at Tirmynydd Road</p>	

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253	<p>valid for 2 years at £10/annum. This will be discussed in Item 9. He did not come back to us on the ownership of the other parcels of land, and has yet to speak with Chis Smith on the knotweed treatment plan we discussed. TCCC have spoken with Mr Holloway 12/9/13 on the same matter. It was agreed that TCCC approach local Knotweed Control Specialists with a view to preparing a plan & cost estimates on behalf of The Somerset Trust.</p> <p>3. LDP - Draft Preferred Strategy TCCC received on 15/8/13 2 copies of the document and notified all councillors by email, arranged for a link on the website and posted on the noticeboard.</p> <p>Further to this, we received a notification by email on 10/9/13 of the consultation process including venues and dates of drop in sessions. There is also to be meeting of Key Consultees to be held on Fri 27/9/13 at 1.30pm in the Civic Centre. TCCC will be represented by Cllr Hansford. A notice has been posted regarding the drop in session venues and dates on our boards and website.</p> <p>4. Computer Room Fire Doors Gowerglaze Ltd have completed the approved work satisfactorily.</p> <p>5. Electrical Safety Work John Green (A19 Electrical Services) has completed his approved work satisfactorily.</p> <p>6. Play Area Entrance Paths Ray O'Keefe has also completed his approved work satisfactorily.</p> <p>7. Business Rates CCS have now accepted the Trust formation and agreed the zero rating from 14/11/12. We are now in a position to pay the outstanding invoice from 2012 [£922.33]</p> <p><u>Correspondence Received August & September</u></p> <p>8. Letters from SCC notifying us of two Planning Applications that have been approved.</p> <p>2013/0979 Hunter's Hollow & 2013/0537 Capel Y Crwys (Internal Work).</p> <p>Also notification by email on 22/8/13 informing us that the appeal lodged by the applicant in 2013/0172 [land adjoining Whitewalls, Cilonnen], had been dismissed.</p>	
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253	<p>9. Charter between CCS and Town / Community Councils TCCC received this final document 9/9/13 and have circulated it by email and included it in the agenda.</p> <p>10. Knotweed between Cilonnen and Tirmynydd Roads The Clerk received a phone call from a resident, Mrs Penny Kennedy enquiring about this area.</p> <p>11. Footpath Order TCCC received a letter from CCS informing us of proposals to re-align Footpaths LH64, LH65, LH66 & LH71 in the communities of Llanrhidian Higher and Three Crosses [Grid Ref: SS 552 937]. Comments to be made by 21/9/13.</p>	
254	<p><u>SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS</u> Cllr Hansford reported that so far 30 tickets had been sold for the Three Crosses Village Party.</p>	
255	<p><u>FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u> The clerk reported that the Annual Return for 2012/13 had been received back from Mazars LLP, the external auditors and posted on the noticeboard. The clerk referred to the document circulated on the 12th of September detailing the accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr Smart and seconded by Cllr Hansford that the accounts be accepted and approved. This was carried unanimously. The summary is as follows; Opening Balance: £25,678.21 Expenditure: £ 4,270.75 Income: £10,991.00 Closing Balance: £32,398.46</p>	
256	<p><u>COUNCIL ASSETS/INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT</u> Cllr Smart reported that the replacement piece of play equipment for the climbing frame, namely a ZigZag Twister would cost £750 to purchase. It was proposed by Cllr Smart and seconded by Cllr Aubrey that this item be purchased and that Spencer ECA be contracted to remove the old frame and install the new item. This was agreed unanimously.</p> <p>The council also approved the 'Licence to cut the land at Tirmynydd/Chapel Rds' document prepared by the Somerset Trust, at £10/annum. This was proposed by Cllr Smart, seconded by Cllr Aubrey and carried unanimously. Cllr Hood-Williams agreed to speak to Mr P. Lanfear and obtain prices for cutting this in future.</p>	<p>ID</p> <p>PHW</p>

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260	<p><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u></p> <p>The clerk reported that during the summer recess the following applications were dealt with by Cllrs Smart & Place.</p> <p>2013/0792 Siting of 5 Camping pods and 1 toilet block at Gelli Hir Farm. No objections were raised.</p> <p>2013/1029 Rear roof extension at No.25 Brynymor. No objections were raised.</p> <p>2013/1158 Single story side extension at 46 Dunvant Road. No objections were raised.</p> <p>I was decided that in future any planning applications to be dealt with by TCCC would be added to the agenda for that meeting.</p>	ID
261	<p><u>FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS</u></p> <p>The clerk reported that SCC had proposed re-aligning the footpaths as detailed in [253] above, item 11. No objections were raised.</p>	
262	<p><u>DELEGATES REPORTS</u></p> <p>There were no reports.</p>	
263	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p>The next meeting will take place on Thursday the 17th October 2013 and there will be a Finance Meeting following on from this. The meeting closed at 9.35pm.</p>	