

THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Cyngor Cymuned Y Crwys

MINUTES OF MEETING

HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY, 17th OCTOBER 2013 AT 7.30pm

PRESENT:

Community Councillor
Paxton R Hood-Williams (PHW)
Warren Smart [WS]

Community Councillor
Daniel P Jones [DP]
Belinda Hansford [BH]

Clerk: Ian Donaldson [ID]

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

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION BY
264	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> Apologies were received from Cllrs Nigel Aubrey, Phil Place and Kevin White.	
265	<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.	
266	<u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u> The chairman said there was nothing to report.	
267	<u>MINUTES OF MEETINGS</u> The minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 th September 2013 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings. This was proposed by Cllr Smart, seconded by Cllr Hansford and carried unanimously.	
268	<u>MATTERS ARISING</u> [258] Cllr Hood- Williams reported that he and the clerk had met with Jeff Green, SCC Road Safety Officer at the junction of Joiners and Tirmynydd Roads. There was a discussion about the safety issues at this spot and a further meeting is planned for the 23 rd October 2013. [235] The Chairman reported that a letter had been sent to Sheehans Solicitors to try and ascertain the whereabouts of the original deeds for the Community Centre and the Banc.	PHW

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268	He also said that he had consulted John Morse Solicitors to discuss fees for transferring these into TCCC's name.	
269	<p><u>CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE</u></p> <p>1. Somerset Trust Land - TCCC have received back from Knight Frank LLP the licence to cut the land along Tirmynydd Rd. Site meetings were held with Spencer ECA and Bay Landscapes Ltd on this land to determine the extent of Japanese Knotweed infestation and for them to draw up plans and prices for eradication. These were received back in late September and forwarded to Knight Frank for their consideration and action. Knight Frank have decided to have someone they have used before to prepare a plan and give a third quote. TCCC have offered their assistance to this contractor in the survey of affected areas.</p> <p>2. Electricity Contract Renewal – SWALEC have sent a new contract for our electricity supply to apply when our present deal runs out on 30/11/13. They have offered two options, 12 months fixed and 24 months fixed. Interestingly the 24 months deal is cheaper, however both are increases on 2012/13 prices. For the last four quarters we have paid £1341.57, the new quotes based on this usage are £1753 and £1586.50 respectively. Following representations from TCCC they have agreed to reduce the 24 month prices so we would pay £1490.40 /annum. Alternative quotations were sought but were only slightly cheaper before SWALEC reduced their quote. I recommend we renew with SWALEC for 24 months. This was proposed by Cllr Jones, seconded by Cllr Hansford and carried unanimously.</p> <p>3. New Play Area Zig Zag – This item has been delivered from Wicksteed Leisure Ltd. A Works Order has been placed with Spencer ECA for the removal of the Climbing Frame and installation of the Zig Zag week ending 26/10/13.</p> <p>4. New Noticeboard – Three quotations were received for this item which is to be sited on the Banc between the play area and the footpath along to Pant Y Dwr. Installation by the manufacturers is prohibitively expensive, so quotes from local companies were sought. It was proposed by Cllr Jones and seconded by Cllr Hansford that the notice board be bought from Greenbarnes Ltd and installed by Spencer ECA Ltd. This was carried unanimously.</p> <p>5. GMC – Three tenders have been received from five interested contractors.</p> <p>6. Fire Risk Assessment –The Fire and Emergency Evacuation Plan and Centre Floor Plan have been completed. The Electrical Safety Report and Certificate are awaited from John Green. Once received Richard Davies, Fire Safety Officer, Swansea Command will be invited</p>	<p>ID</p> <p>ID</p> <p>ID</p> <p>ID</p>

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269	<p>to inspect the centre.</p> <p><u>Correspondence received October</u></p> <p>7. Planning – Application No 2013/1158 The Anchorage, 46, Dunvant Rd has been approved.</p> <p>8. Land Ownership Issues – Letters have been exchanged between TCCC, Dawsons Estate Agents and The Seys Eaton Estate to try and establish who owns the strip of land between Capel Y Crwys and Pant Y Dwr. Further investigations are to take place with the clerk writing to The Crown Estate.</p>	ID
270	<p><u>SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS</u></p> <p>Cllr Hansford reported that 50 tickets had been sold for the village Christmas party and 20 more had expressed interest.</p>	BH
271	<p><u>FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u></p> <p>The clerk presented the October accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr Smart that these be accepted. Cllr Jones seconded this and the motion was carried unanimously. The summary is as follows;</p> <p>Opening Balance: £32,398.46 Expenditure: £ 2,747.00 Income: £ 817.34 Closing Balance: £30,468.80</p>	
272	<p><u>COUNCIL ASSETS/INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT</u></p> <p>The clerk tabled three sealed and individually marked envelopes that contained the Ground Maintenance Contract tenders he had received back.</p> <p>The chairman opened each in turn and a compilation summary sheet was drawn up showing the prices against each item of the specification issued.</p> <p>After lengthy debate it was decided to award the new contract to Bay Landscapes Ltd. This would take effect from 1st November 2013. This was proposed by Cllr Jones, seconded by Cllr Smart and carried unanimously.</p> <p>The clerk was asked to convey the decision to all who tendered for the contract and in particular to thank Jonathan Davis of Spencer ECA for the many years of good service to Three Crosses.</p>	ID
273	<p><u>COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER</u></p> <p>Cllr Hansford asked for items to include in the next issue. It was agreed to highlight Neighbourhood Watch and to include an 'opt out' slip for the village. Cllr Smart offered to liaise with the Chapel regarding a St David's Day event.</p>	BH WS

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274	<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u> There were no reports.	
275	<u>CITY COUNCIL MATTERS</u> The meeting discussed the tabled Charter between SCC and Town/Community Councils. It was proposed by Cllr Smart and seconded by Hansford that the Charter be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously. It was raised in the meeting that there were two areas where hedges were overgrown and overhanging pavements and paths. Cllr Hood-Williams would give the clerk details for him to contact SCC who would write to the householders.	ID PHW ID
276	<u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u> Cllr Hood-Williams left the room at this point and Cllr Smart took over the chair. The clerk reported that applications 2013/1307 and 2013/1429 had been received. After consideration it was agreed that TCCC should register 'no objections' on both. Cllr Hood-Williams re-entered the room.	ID
277	<u>FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS</u> No issues were reported.	
278	<u>DELEGATES REPORTS</u> No reports.	
279	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The next meeting will take place on Thursday the 21st November 2013. The meeting closed at 8.50pm.	

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