



MINUTES OF FINANCE MEETING

**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY, 18th SEPTEMBER 2014 AT 9.00pm**

PRESENT:

Community Councillor

Paxton R Hood-Williams (PHW)
Warren Smart (WS)
Kevin White (KW)

Community Councillor

Daniel Jones (DJ)
Belinda Hansford (BH)

Clerk: Ian Donaldson

**Meeting commenced 9.00pm Community Councillor P R Hood-Williams
(Chairman of the Community Council) Presiding**

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION BY
451	<p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> Apologies were received from Cllrs Aubrey and Place.</p>	
452	<p><u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREDUDICIAL INTEREST</u> A declaration of interest was received from Cllr Hood-Williams relating to C&CS and CDSA matters.</p>	
453	<p><u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</u> Cllr Jones proposed that the minutes from 16th June 2014 be accepted as a true record of the proceedings. Cllr Smart seconded this and the motion was carried unanimously. Cllrs Hansford and White abstained as they were not present at the June Finance meeting.</p>	
454	<p><u>CONSIDER ACTUALS V BUDGET FOR 2014/15</u> The clerk presented the spreadsheet for Q1 and Q2 and explained that spending was in line with forecast in most areas and below in total. Income was well ahead of forecast due to increased hall usage. The only area of concern was in Operational Maintenance where the annual budget had been overspent already. The clerk explained that this mainly due to unexpected repairs to the 4 set swings in the play park, the construction of a second escape route following the car fire incident. Cllr Hood-Williams asked the clerk to build into the 2015/16 budget the creation of Wildflower strips along Tirmynydd and Gowerton Roads.</p>	
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454	The clerk agreed to speak with C&CS Parks Dept. to arrange this.	ID
455	<p><u>VERIFICATION OF BANK & CASHBOOK RECONCILIATIONS</u> The clerk reported that Cllr Aubrey, a non-signatory on the bank account, had verified and signed the documents.</p>	
456	<p><u>CONSIDER AND AWARD COMMUNITY GRANTS [S137]</u> The clerk presented a spreadsheet showing the 2014/15 applicants and their requests. After discussions it was agreed to firstly deal with items 3 -9, leaving the CDSA applications until Cllrs Hood-Williams and Smart had left the room. Item 3 – It was decided not to award a grant to the RAF Air Cadets West Cross Squadron as it was not a village based organisation. Items 4-9 were approved with amounts as shown on the attached table. Items 1 & 2 – Cllrs Hood-Williams and Smart left the room at this point. Cllr Jones was elected chairman. After discussion it was decided to award the CDSA a grant of £3390 to cover the costs of maintaining the Community Woodland, the path network and insurance for the entire area including sports field. This was proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Hansford and carried unanimously. Cllrs Hood-Williams and Smart re-entered the room.</p>	
456	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT FINANCE MEETING</u> It was agreed that the next meeting would be on 15th January 2015 after the normal Monthly Council Meeting. The 2014/15 Budget would be prepared and the precept set. The meeting closed at 10.00pm</p>	

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