



**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
**ON THURSDAY, 19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2015 AT 7.30pm**

**PRESENT:**

**Community Councillor**

Paxton R Hood-Williams (PHW)

Warren Smart (WS)

Kevin White (KW)

**Community Councillor**

Nigel Aubrey (NLA)

**Clerk:** Ian Donaldson (ID)

**Members of the Public present:** None

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

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION BY
507	<b><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></b> Apologies were received from Cllrs Place, Hansford & Jones.	
508	<b><u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREDUDICIAL INTEREST</u></b> Declarations of interest were received from Cllr Hood-Williams with regard to all City & County of Swansea matters.	
509	<b><u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u></b> Cllr Hood-Williams welcomed everyone to the meeting. He requested that the clerk put this item first on any agendas.	ID
510	<b><u>MINUTES OF MEETINGS</u></b> The minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2015 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings. This was proposed by Cllr Aubrey' seconded by Cllr White and carried unanimously.	
511	<b><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></b> [462] Cllr Hood-Williams reported that the meeting between Llanrhidian Higher and Three Crosses Community Councils had taken place on 12/2/15. Draft minutes from this meeting had been circulated to both councils for approval. [483] Cllr Hood-Williams stated that the appropriate grant application form for the pump project had been submitted to The Gower Landscape Partnership. The meeting with Cllr White, himself, Wyn Griffiths and Henry Arthur will be held soon.	PHW ID PHW/KW
512	<b><u>CLERK'S REPORT &amp; CORRESPONDENCE</u></b> <b>1. The Banc Play Area</b> – Wicksteed Annual Inspection arranged for March. <b>2. Dog Waste Bins</b> – email circulated 27/1/15 setting out the 'revised' costs for adding new bins in the village. It was agreed these were prohibitive and would not be pursued.	

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512	<p><b>3. Welsh Government Devolution (Power to Local People) Consultation</b> – Received and circulated 3/2/15. <b>The future of County and Community Councils.</b></p> <p><b>4. Horses &amp; Riders on the Banc and the path</b> – 26/1/15 following a report about horse mess on the Banc path an email was circulated asking for comments. It was agreed to monitor the situation.</p> <p><b>5. Community Centre</b> – Secure Store Room lock failed 12/2/15 and replaced that day.</p> <p><b>6. Community Centre</b> – Bi-Annual Fire inspection carried out 12/5/15. No real issues.</p> <p><b><u>Correspondence Received/Sent in January &amp; February</u></b></p> <p><b>7. OVW/SLCC Joint Wales Conference</b> – invitation to attend 14<sup>th</sup> May 2015 in Llandrindod Wells. It was decided that the Clerk may have to attend this in the absence of the Chairman.</p> <p><b>8. Teenage Cancer Trust</b> – letter received 26/1/15 requesting donations to fund unit in Cardiff.</p> <p><b>9 Swansea Carers Centre</b> – email received from Karen Keey, Social Media &amp; Marketing Co-ordinator introducing herself and the services of the organisation.</p> <p><b>10 OVW</b> – Invitation to renew membership for 2015/16. Cllr Smart proposed and Cllr Aubrey seconded that the membership be renewed. The motion was carried unanimously.</p> <p><b>11. Zurich Municipal Insurance</b> - Invitation to receive a quote for insurance. The present long term agreement with Norris Fisher expires 29/7/15. It was decided that the clerk obtains quotations from 3 companies for renewal.</p> <p><b>12. Internal Audit</b> – email received and circulated from Lyn Llewellyn confirming his fee, availability, qualifications and experience to conduct council audits.</p> <p><b>13. Mr R Birch, Y Wern</b> – email(s) received and circulated 13/2/15 asking about any TCCC plan to eradicate Japanese knotweed in the village and on the Wern. Holding reply sent. The clerk would reply to Mr Birch and speak to Knight Frank LLP about it.</p> <p><b>14. Kidney Wales Foundation</b> – letter received 14/2/15 asking for someone on the council or in the community to organise a sponsored ‘walk for life’. Support Pack provided.</p> <p><b>15. Community Centre Deeds</b> – letter received 15/2/15 from Mr John Guy, via Cllr Smart, regarding the whereabouts of these documents. It was decided that the clerk write to Llanrhidian Higher Community Council requesting that they obtain these deeds, and the ones for the Banc, from the appropriate solicitors. These should then be sent to Three Crosses Community Council for transfer.</p>	ID ID ID ID ID
513	<p><b><u>SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Hansford in her absence from the meeting had left a report with the clerk. It was stated that the Crwys PTA were delighted with the idea of a marquee on the Banc for fete day which will be June 20<sup>th</sup> this year. It could be used in the morning and then in the evening for the event.</p> <p>A rough outline for the next newsletter was discussed. It was agreed that a feature should be made about the proposed MUGA/Playground scheme. This could initiate the scheme consultation process in the community.</p> <p>A hall management committee meeting will be held shortly.</p>	BH/WS BH
514	<p><b><u>FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u></b></p> <p>The clerk presented the February accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr White that these be accepted. Cllr Aubrey seconded this and the motion was carried unanimously. The approved accounts are appended to these minutes.</p>	ID

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515	<b><u>COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS</u></b> The next newsletter was discussed in item 514 above.	
516	<b><u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u></b> It was decided that the projects should be discussed at a separate capital meeting in the near future. The clerk has spoken to his counterpart in Reynoldston and now has contact details for stonework contractors. He would speak to Bay Landscapes regarding the pond clearance work and the removal of the invasive stag's horn sumach tree near the well.	PHW ID
517	<b><u>CITY COUNCIL MATTERS</u></b> The chairman reported that City & County of Swansea Council had voted to raise council tax by 4.8% for 2015/16. He noted that Three Crosses Community Council had <b>not</b> raised the precept. The latter would remain the same for the fourth year in a row.	
518	<b><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u></b> The Chairman left the room at this point with Cllr Smart taking the chair. <u>Applications considered:</u> 2014/1976 Rear extension, No 1 William Terrace, Y Wern. NO OBJECTIONS  2014/1985 Construction of Barn, Land adjacent to 25, Tirmynydd Rd. <b>OBJECTIONS</b> Multiple applications, the size of the barn appears disproportionate to the available land shown on the application, serious drainage and access issues.  2015/0060 Rear Extension, Plas y Coed Farm. NO OBJECTIONS  Cllr Hood-Williams re-entered the room and resumed the chair.	ID ID ID
519	<b><u>FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS</u></b> Nothing to report.	
520	<b><u>DELEGATES REPORTS</u></b> The chairman reported on a Local Access Forum meeting he had recently chaired in Llanelwedd, Builth Wells.	
521	<b><u>REGISTER OF MEMBERS INTERESTS</u></b> The clerk stated he had not still received any completed forms from Cllrs Jones and Place. It is vital these are submitted at the next meeting the forthcoming audits now cover governance matters.	DPJ/PP
522	<b><u>APPROVAL OF REVISED FINANCIAL REGULATIONS</u></b> The Financial Regulations had been amended to reflect the revisions to the guidance on audit review and budgeting issued by OVW. Cllr Smart proposed and Cllr White seconded the motion that they be approved. This was carried unanimously and would be issued shortly.	ID
523	<b><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></b> The next meeting will take place on Thursday the 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2015. The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.	

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