



**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
**ON THURSDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2016 AT 7.30pm**

**PRESENT:**

**Community Councillor**

Belinda Hansford (BH)  
 Nigel Aubrey [NA]  
 Daniel Jones [DJ]  
 Paxton Hood-Williams [PHW]

**Community Councillor**

Warren Smart (WS)  
 Kevin White (KW)  
 Khan Prince [KP]

**Clerk:** Ian Donaldson (ID)

**Members of the Public present:** None

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

| ITEM | HEADING   | ACTION BY |
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| 724  | <b><u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u></b><br>Cllr Hood- Williams welcomed everyone to the meeting.  | PHW       |
| 725  | <b><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></b><br>Apologies for absence were received from Kirsty Hanson.  |           |
| 726  | <b><u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREJUDICIAL INTEREST</u></b><br>There was a declaration of interest from Cllr Hood-Williams, with regard to all CCS matters.  |           |
| 727  | <b><u>MINUTES OF MEETINGS</u></b><br>Cllr Jones proposed and Cllr Hansford seconded the motion that the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2016 be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings. This was carried with Cllrs Hood-Williams and Prince abstaining as they were not present at that meeting.   |           |
| 728  | <b><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></b><br>[718] Cllr Hood-Williams had spoken to CCS about the state of the road surface down to and including the Wern. Some temporary repairs had been done but they were deteriorating again very quickly.  |           |
| 729  | <b><u>CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE</u></b><br><b>1. Pump &amp; Pond Project</b> – Work was progressing with this project with an anticipated finish by 22/3/16. The plaques were being made and would be fitted on receipt.<br><b>2. Wildflower Planting 2016</b> – Invoice for 2016 seeding received.<br><b>3. Tirmynydd Triangles</b> – TCCC response to the Somerset Trust & Commoners objections filed with C&CS Legal Department 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2016. |           |

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| 729 | <p><b>4. Playground Annual Inspection</b> – Repairs made to swing shackle and Nursery Rhyme unit. Roundabout bark topped up. Quote for £6,612 received from Wicksteed Leisure for installing eco-tumble surface.</p> <p><i>It was agreed that this was a high price and that would not address the issues of drainage in the rest of the play area. It was agreed that the clerk should commence a grant application for the entire playpark to be rebuilt with some new features, surfacing but still retaining some of the newer items. Biffa Communities Awards were suggested as a funding source, however Three Crosses does not qualify as it is outside the 7 miles radius. In the meantime, the bark would be topped up and raked more regularly.</i></p> <p><b><u>Correspondence Received/Sent in February &amp; March</u></b></p> <p><b>5. LHCC &amp; TCCC Financial Situation</b> – Letter sent to LHCC rejecting the offer made.</p> <p><b>6. Community Centre</b> – Quotes awaited for tarmac repairs.</p> <p><b>7. Pathway at top of the Banc</b> – letter sent to Gower Commoners Association on 4<sup>th</sup> February informing them of our intentions with the path and the pump base. Reply received 4<sup>th</sup> March saying no objections to the pump base or the path.</p> <p><i>It was agreed that the clerk should now source some quotations for this path.</i></p> <p><b>8. Gower Summer Sunday &amp; Bank Holiday Bus Service</b> – letter sent to C&amp;CS informing them of our decision not to contribute.</p> <p><b>9. Queen’s 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Medals</b> – 200 on order with Tower Mint. [£405.50 + VAT]</p> <p><b>10. Gower Commoners</b> – letter sent to the secretary asking for information as per 10/1/16 meeting. Names of Fairwood and Clyne commoners and minutes of meetings requested. Reply received saying that the names of commoners are held in a register in C&amp;CS and that we are not entitled to see their minutes of meetings.</p> <p><i>It was agreed that the latter be taken further.</i></p> <p><b>11. Letter from Henry Arthur, 14 Joiners Rd</b> – correspondence received 16/3/16 bringing to the notice of the council 3 issues;</p> <p><b>a)</b> the considerable damage being done to the Banc by certain people on horses. The surface had been scarred deeply due it being very soft after the wet winter. Mr Arthur recommended signage prohibiting horse riding on this area.</p> <p><i>The council discussed this problem and all agreed that the damage was significant and caused by thoughtless individuals who had no regard for others in the village. Cllr Hood-Williams pointed out that the Banc is still technically common land but agreed to speak with the stabling concerns around the area to make it clear that horse riding should not take place there or on the new grass paths on the triangles bordering Tirmynydd Road where similar damage has been done by horseriders.</i></p> <p><b>b)</b> the state of the telephone box on Joiners Rd.</p> <p><i>It was agreed that the clerk should speak to BT about the usage figures for this box and if it is still needed.</i></p> <p><b>c)</b> the excessive speed of vehicles travelling along both Joiners and Tirmynydd Roads.</p> <p><i>It was agreed that on both roads vehicle speeds were a real problem and must be tackled. The chairman reported that the community speedwatch project, where volunteer residents will be trained to operate speed guns and report offenders, will be starting soon. He agreed to chase this up with those concerned.</i></p> <p><b>12. Email from Mary Rees, Joiners Rd.</b> - received 17/3/16 bring to the attention of the council the danger of the large stones on the Banc alongside the tarmac footpath near the top. She states that these stones are being used by school children as goal posts and that she has seen many near misses and that her grandson received bruises from them. She asks if rounded wooden posts be erected in place of these stones. In addition she asks if some wooden goal post could be erected elsewhere on the Banc for games.</p> <p><i>The issues were discussed at length in council. It was pointed out that these stones were in that place to prevent vehicles from driving onto the Banc from the lane off Joiners Rd. It was</i></p> | <p>ID</p> <p>ID</p> <p>ID</p> <p>ID</p> <p>PHW</p> <p>PHW</p> <p>PHW</p> |
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| 729 | <p><i>agreed that these stone would be sunk into the ground in the next few weeks in order to make them harder to move. It was proposed by Cllr Smart and seconded by Cllr Aubrey that the clerk purchase 4 plastic cones [non reflective] to be used as moveable goalposts when playing on the area.</i></p> <p>The clerk was asked to reply to these two letters thanking the residents for bringing the issues to the council's attention.</p> | WS<br>ID<br>ID |
| 730 | <p><b><u>SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS</u></b><br/>Cllr Hansford reported the recommendations of the Hall Management Committee meeting held to discuss the Summer Fete Day &amp; Hog-roast event. It was decided to arrange a DJ to provide music in between sets by the band booked for the event.</p>   | BH             |
| 731 | <p><b><u>FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u></b><br/>The clerk presented the March accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr Jones that these be accepted. Cllr Hansford seconded this and the motion was carried unanimously. The approved accounts are appended to these minutes.</p>   | ID             |
| 732 | <p><b><u>VILLAGE GREEN APPLICATION</u></b><br/>The chairman reported that the detailed responses of this Community Council to the objections to our application raised by Edenstone Homes Ltd, the Somerset Trust and the Gower Commoners Association, had been filed with the City and County of Swansea on 10/3/16. Council thanked Cllr Hood-Williams and the clerk for their hard work and time spent in preparing these responses.</p>       |                |
| 733 | <p><b><u>COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS</u></b><br/>Cllr Hansford tabled a draft newsletter for discussion. Some changes were suggested and accepted. It was agreed that an article explaining the history of the village pumps and the restoration project should be added.</p>  | BH             |
| 734 | <p><b><u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u></b><br/>The pump project and playground had already been discussed.</p>   |                |
| 735 | <p><b><u>CITY COUNCIL MATTERS</u></b><br/>Cllr Hood-Williams was reminded about the state of the roads in the area. Cllr Jones said that the kerbs/pavement in Coed Lan had broken up.</p>  | PHW            |
| 736 | <p><b><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u></b><br/>Cllrs Hood- Williams left the room at this point and Cllr Smart took the chair.<br/><b>2016/ 0273 [Cwm Isaf Mawr Farm]</b> was discussed and it was resolved that TCCC had <b>no objections</b> to this application.<br/><br/>Cllrs Hood- Williams and Jones re-entered the room and resumed the chair.</p>  | ID             |
| 737 | <p><b><u>REVIEW OF GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS</u></b><br/>The clerk had previously circulated the existing Health &amp; Safety Policy, Constitution and Code of Conduct documents. It was proposed by Cllr Smart and seconded by Cllr Jones that these be accepted without amendment. This was carried unanimously</p>  |                |
| 738 | <p><b><u>FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS</u></b><br/>There were no reports.</p>  |                |

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| 739 | <b><u>DELEGATES REPORTS</u></b><br>Cllr Hood-Williams reported that he had attended a meeting of the Gower Landscape Partnership. He remarked that there could be further projects in the village that could qualify for grant aid. The History Trail and the Old School House were but two. | KW<br>ID |
| 740 | <b><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></b><br>The next meeting would take place on Thursday 21st of April 2016.<br>The meeting closed at 9.35 pm.  |          |

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