



**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
**ON THURSDAY, 21ST JULY 2016 AT 7.30pm**

**PRESENT:**

**Community Councillor**

Paxton Hood- Williams [PHW]

Khan Prince [KP]

**Community Councillor**

Warren Smart (WS)

Nigel Aubrey [NA]

**Clerk:** Ian Donaldson (ID)

**Members of the Public present: Mr Owain Jones** of Brynymor, Three Crosses.

Mr Jones was introduced to the councillors present. He stated that he wished to speak to the council about the speed of some vehicles in various parts of the village. He explained that he had reported a specific incident that had occurred in Brynymor some 3-4 weeks ago where a certain car had been seen driving a excessive speed in the cul-de-sac where lots of children play out, including his own. This had started a debate on social media about the general problem in the village. Cllr Hood-Williams acknowledged that it was a prime concern for residents in all areas. There was a discussion about how best to address the problem. Speed humps, new signs designed by schoolchildren, and speed limits themselves were debated. The effectiveness of the small pad type and the full width ones such as those on Gowerton Rd and by the school were discussed. Cllr Hood-Williams said that he has a Environmental Improvement Allowance as a City & County Councillor for Fairwood some of which could be used. He has been consulting with the Road Safety Officer from the city council with a view to costing certain proposals. There would be a Public Meeting held in the autumn for the village to discuss these options.

The Chairman also reminded those present that the Community Speedwatch initiative would become operative in the autumn after training had been undertaken by the volunteers.

Mr Jones said he was pleased to see that the council were moving this issue forward. He was asked to stay for the formal meeting and took up this offer.

**Meeting commenced 7.50pm Community Councillor Paxton Hood-Williams (Chairman of the Community Council) presiding**

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION BY
806	<b><u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u></b> Cllr Hood-Williams welcomed everyone to the meeting. He remarked upon the highly successful School Fete and Evening Hog roast event held in late June saying that over 250 people had attended both events.	

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807	<p><b><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></b> Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Belinda Hansford, Kevin White and Daniel Jones.</p>	
808	<p><b><u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREJUDICIAL INTEREST</u></b> Cllr Hood- Williams declared an interest in all matters pertaining to the City &amp; County of Swansea.</p>	
808	<p><b><u>MINUTES OF MEETINGS</u></b> It was unfortunate that the minutes of the previous monthly meeting held 16/6/16 could not be approved due to insufficient councillors present at that meeting not attending this one. This item would be carried forward to the September meeting.</p>	ID
809	<p><b><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></b> [769] It was noted that the road down to the Wern had now been repaired. [769] Cllr Hood-Williams said he was going to arrange a meeting to speak with local residents about village history.</p>	PHW KW
810	<p><b><u>CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>2015/16 External Audit</b> – Follow up questions and items for clarification received from BDO LLP, responses sent back. No further response as yet.</li> <li>2. <b>Summer Fete / Hog roast event</b> – see separate financial report.</li> <li>3. <b>Community Centre / Old Lane Road repairs</b> – C&amp;CS Highways Dept. have been contacted and have confirmed that the lane is still adopted. I have requested they inspect the roadway and repair it. Awaiting response.</li> <li>4. <b>LH56 Footpath, damage to tarmac surface</b> – correspondence with Christopher Smith of Knight Frank LLP who has accepted that we shall repair and send him the bill (now done). Bay Landscapes have repaired the damage.</li> <li>5. <b>Playground Gates</b> – replacement spring and rubber pad fitted to two playground gates.</li> <li>6. <b>Community Centre</b> – Risk assessment and Fire risk assessment documents updated.</li> <li>7. <b>Playground Update</b> – draft lottery grant application prepared. Project brief to tenderers drawn up and initial meetings with three contractors arranged. School children to be involved with final specification.</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Correspondence Received/Sent in June &amp; July</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. <b>LHCC &amp; TCCC Financial Situation</b> – Jeremy Parkhouse has emailed to say that he will be presenting a report to the LHCC meeting on 21/7/16 and that he hopes to have a decision to report to this council after that meeting.</li> <li>9. <b>Village Green Application</b> – letters received from City &amp; County of Swansea informing this council that a Public Inquiry will be held in Crwys School Hall from Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October until Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October if necessary. A further letter enclosing the detailed directions and inquiry process for each party, was received 11/7/16. <i>Cllr Smart proposed that the chairman be given the full authority of this community council to represent it at this Public Inquiry. This was seconded by Cllr Prince and was carried unanimously.</i></li> <li>10. <b>Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill</b> – email received 15/7/16 giving a link to the summary report and circulated to councillors.</li> <li>11. <b>Japanese Knotweed Treatment</b> – email received from Brownhills Nurseries to say that they had resurveyed the treated areas on the triangles and old quarry. Some small patches of regrowth had been found and will be retreated in August. A similar exercise will be carried out in 2017. Small patches found on Pant y Dwr border with the Chapel and treated by Bay Landscapes.</li> </ol>	

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819	seconded by Cllr Smart. There followed a discussion around potential tenderers and the following contractors were decided upon: Bay Landscapes, Jonathan Davis, Alan Porter, Adrian Richards, and Bob Blewit.	ID
820	<b><u>APPROVAL OF REVISED FINANCIAL REGULATIONS</u></b> The clerk had previously circulated the revised document received from OVW and tailored to this council's circumstances. Cllr Smart proposed and Cllr Aubrey seconded the motion that the revision be accepted. This was carried unanimously.	ID
821	<b><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></b> The next monthly meeting would take place on Thursday 15th September to be followed by a Finance Meeting where the Grounds Maintenance Contract and community grants will be decided upon . The meeting closed at 9.05pm.	ID

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