



MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY 17TH JANUARY 2019 AT 7.30pm

PRESENT:

Community Councillor

Paxton Hood-Williams [PHW]
Sally McGregor [SMcG]
Belinda Hansford [BH]

Community Councillor

Daniel Jones [DJ]
Janet Taylor [JT]

Clerk: Ian Donaldson (ID)

Members of the Public present: Miss Dana Evans, 1 Pentwyn, Three Crosses.

The Chairman welcomed Miss Evans to the meeting and asked if she wished to address the council. She said she wished to complain that for two consecutive meetings the agendas had not been published on the Council Website prior to the meeting. Cllr Hansford apologised for her oversight.

Miss Evans then raised a concern over whether a planning application should have been discussed at the November meeting since it was not on the agenda. The clerk explained that the agendas for meetings are published in advance and that notification of this application was received after the agenda had been posted. The council only meets monthly so it is important to deal with such matters when possible. If not it would not have been dealt with until the January meeting, long after the deadline for comments had past.

Miss Evans asked the councillors if they were aware of the plans to reduce the opening hours for local libraries, and in particular Killay. The chairman informed her that these 'proposals' had been put out for consultation by Swansea Council as part of the 2019/20 Budget. Miss Evans said that she understood Killay CC were going to object formally and asked if Three Crosses would do likewise. The chairman, as a City Councillor, declared an interest, but said that the other councillors would debate the issue in the formal meeting under City Council Matters on the agenda.

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

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION BY
1269	<u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2019. He remarked that it was a good start to the year with the first grant application for the Playground Renovation already submitted. He thanked Cllr Hansford and the clerk for their efforts in preparing this. The meeting seconded this.	

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1270	<p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> Apologies were received following the meeting from Cllrs White and Smart.</p>	
1271	<p><u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREJUDICIAL INTEREST</u> There were declarations of interest from Cllr Hood-Williams, with regard to all CCS matters.</p>	
1272	<p><u>MINUTES OF MEETINGS</u> Cllr Jones proposed acceptance of the previous minutes. This was seconded by Cllr Hansford and the motion was carried unanimously.</p>	
1273	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u> [1257] Cllr Hansford informed the meeting that she had implemented the agreed changes to the Facebook page. [1258] Cllr Hood- Williams had spoken to the Road Safety Dept in C&CS and that the road markings at Wern Olau would be repainted soon. [1258] With regard to the proposed crossing scheme at the Duntant/ Gowerton Rds junction, this work was now underway. [1259] The marquee and the band had now been booked for the Summer Fete. Discussions would be held with the Poundfald regarding the bar and food at the event.</p>	<p>BH PHW ID/PHW</p>
1274	<p><u>CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE</u></p> <p>1. Somerset Trust – Letter received from Jonathan Bury rejecting the purchase offer. <i>It was agreed that in the light of the generous offer being rejected, the clerk would write back to the Trust expressing disappointment but that if they wished to reconsider in the future to get back in touch.</i></p> <p>2. Wicksteed Playground Inspection – 2 new flat seats and new binx nuts fitted to all swings.</p> <p>3. Community Centre Recoating – Evercoat Ltd quote received [£3980 for Roof cleaning and treatment. £6750 for all walls coated. Total £10,730] <i>Due to the high cost it was resolved not to pursue the matter. However, it was agreed that the roof be jet wash cleaned after April. The clerk would seek quotations.</i></p> <p>4. Community Centre Oak Tree – New Sessile Oak Tree planted in early December</p> <p>5. Banc Stone Path – B-Line to be asked to quote for replacing stone dust in some areas.</p> <p>6. BT / Openreach Box 2 (Chapel Rd) –Email received with new Wayleave Agreement. [£787.50 one off payment offered] <i>It was decided that the clerk would contact BT again to ask how the figure of £787.50 was arrived at. This has been done and the following statement received.</i></p> <p><i>'The wayleave payments are standard rates that have been set nationally with the NFU & CLA and were last increased on the 1st October 2018. As discussed, I can offer you an annual payment of £52.50 instead of the lump sum payment. Please advise if this would be your preference and I will send you fresh paperwork'</i></p> <p><i>In essence, the one off lump sum is 15 years up front.</i></p>	<p>ID ID ID ID</p>

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1274	<p>7. Intruder Alarm Fault – Engineer called out to resolve. [£55 charge & new battery]</p> <p>8. Community Centre Vacuum Cleaner – failed PAT test due to split in flex. Repairs carried out.</p> <p><u>Correspondence Received/Sent in December & January</u></p> <p>9. Age Cymru – fundraising letter received . <i>Noted</i></p> <p>10. National Salary Awards 2019-20 – New scales received from NALC for application from 1/4/19. For approval by council. <i>Noted</i></p> <p>11. Web Site Hosting Renewal – Go Daddy 5 Year deal expired 14/1/19. Renewed for 12 months at same annual fee.</p>	
1275	<p><u>SUB- COMMITTEE REPORTS</u> Matters dealt with in 1273 above.</p>	
1276	<p><u>FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u> The clerk presented the December & January 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
1277	<p><u>COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS</u> Cllr Hansford informed the meeting that she hoped to have the first draft of Crwys News ready for next week and, as it would include feedback on the playground survey work, some information about our proposed next steps on the playground project as well as information to explain the Village Survey. She felt it was important that everyone was in agreement with those statements before we went to print. Council also need to agree how we link any information from the FB page to the website to share the playground survey results etc. Cllr McGregor asked if we could feed back our appreciation of the drawings to the children at the school.</p>	BH
1278	<p><u>CAPITAL PROJECTS & COMMUNITY STRATEGY</u> The Chairman again said that the first application for grant funding had been submitted and that further applications would be prepared soon. Funding options would be discussed in the Finance Meeting that followed this meeting at which the 2019/20 Budget and Precept would be set.</p>	ID
1279	<p><u>CITY COUNCIL MATTERS</u> The issue of any response to the matter raised by Miss Dana Evans prior to the meeting starting was raised. Cllr Hood-Williams left the room at this point and Cllr Hansford took the chair. After discussion it was resolved that the clerk should write to C&CS objecting to the proposals to reduce opening times at local libraries. It was agreed that these proposals would adversely affect working people. It was also noted that the libraries are social hubs and community focal points. Cllr Hansford would publicise the C&CS Budget Consultation on the FB page and post a link to it. Cllr Hood-Williams returned to the room and resumed the chair.</p>	ID BH
1280	<p><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u> There were no applications to consider.</p>	

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1281	<u>FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS</u> Nothing to report.	ID
1282	<u>DELEGATES REPORTS</u> The chairman reported that there had been no meetings to report back from.	
1283	<u>TO APPROVE THE TERMS OF REFERENCE, SCHEDULE AND LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT AND TO APPOINT AN INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR THE 2018/19 AUDIT</u> The clerk had circulated the above documents prior to the meeting and explained the background to them. Cllr White had undertaken an internal review of the Engagement & Appointment process for Internal Audit and had recommended that this Council should formally approve this in Full Council on an annual basis. This had been agreed in the September Council meeting. Cllr Jones proposed and Cllr Taylor seconded that the documents should be issued to Mr Lyn Llewellyn and subject to his fee being agreed, he would be re-appointed as the independent internal auditor for the 2018/19 Audit. This was agreed unanimously.	
1284	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The next monthly meeting would take place at 7.30pm on Thursday 21st February 2019. The meeting closed at 8.30pm.	

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