**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**ON THURSDAY, 16TH JULY 2015 AT 7.30pm**

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|  | **PRESENT**: | |
|  | **Community Councillor** | **Community Councillor** |
|  | Paxton Hood-Williams (PHW) | Nigel Aubrey (NA) |
|  | Belinda Hansford (BH) | Kevin White (KW) |
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|  | **Clerk:** Ian Donaldson (ID)  **Members of the Public present: Mrs Lorna Jenkins.**  Mrs Jenkins addressed the meeting to inform Council that a new group, **‘Knitters and Natters and Anything Else’**, had started up at Coed Lan on every Tuesday from 1.30 – 3.30pm. Everyone was welcome to come along.  Councillors present agreed to publicise the new group on boards and social media.  Mrs Jenkins also asked about provision of a few dropped kerbs around the sheltered housing complex at Coed Lan. The chairman agreed to see if this could be done by Swansea City Council. | |
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**Meeting commenced 7.40pm Community Councillor Paxton Hood-Williams (Chairman of the Community Council) presiding**

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Pump & Pond Project** – Gower Landscape Partnership have assessed our application and it has been fast tracked for approval decision. Supplementary questions have been asked and answered. Still awaiting decision by GLP.  **3. Community Centre** – Electrical incident 8/7/15 dealt with by calling out a qualified electrician. An RCD unit in one of the consumer units had overheated and started to melt. It is probable that the connection had worked loose and caused the problem. The units concerned were replaced and all the other units in the supply boards checked by the electrician.  **4.** **Councillor Vacancy** – Notices posted on all boards, website and facebook. One application received to be considered for the vacancy from Mr Khan Prince of 40 Pant y Dwr.  The closing date for applications was set at 31st August 2015.  **5.** **Community Grants –** Notices posted on all boards and social media.  **Correspondence Received/Sent in May & June**  **6.** **Community Centre Deeds** – No further correspondence.  **7.** **Audit 2014/15** – Awaiting approval by Mazars LLP.  **8.** **Planning Approval –** Application Nos: 2015/0920 , 2014/0274 & 2014/1791 have been APPROVED.  However 2015/0968 at Forgehill Farm has been REFUSED.  **9.** **Crwys Primary School –** Letter received 13/7/15 from Mr Phil Withey thanking the Council for organising the Fete Marquee/ Hog Roast Event. He remarked that the evening was superb with the band being quite brilliant!  **10.** **Knight Frank /Somerset Trust** - an email was received 29/6/15 from Edward Holloway pointing out that the pond(s) creation was not what was agreed by himself. I have replied to this email apologising for any misunderstanding. He has replied saying that although he recalls me mentioning the scrub removal, he thinks we have gone over and above what was agreed. He is taking advice from a colleague as to the next steps.  **COMMUNITY COUNCIL INSURANCE RENEWAL**  The council has been insured by Ansvar through Norris & Fisher Brokers for the last three years on a long term agreement. Council had previously resolved to go out for competitive quotations this year. The clerk had prepared a comparison document with Ansvar and two other quotations which had been received. One from Zurich Municipal and the other from Hiscox through Came & Company Brokers.  After detailed discussions about premiums, levels of cover and excesses it was proposed by Cllr White and seconded by Cllr Aubrey that the quote from Zurich Municipal be accepted on a three year long term agreement basis.  **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**  There were no reports. Cllr Hansford agreed to issue a brief note detailing observations about the Fete & Hog Roast event, in particular improvements for next year.  **FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**  The clerk presented the July accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr Hansford that these be accepted. Cllr Aubrey seconded this and the motion was carried unanimously. The approved accounts are appended to these minutes.  The chairman wished to thank Three Crosses Film Society for their kind donation of £400 to the Fete & Hog Roast event organised by the Community Council.  **COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS**  Cllr Hood-Williams remarked that the newsletter was once again excellent and widely welcomed in the village.  **CAPITAL PROJECTS**  **Village Pumps**  Awaiting grant decision. Cllr Smart to consult further on pump design.  **Replacement Slide**  On schedule for installation late August.  **CITY COUNCIL MATTERS**  It was noted that the grass verges in the lanes had been cut back, however the footpath from Chapel Rd to Pant y Dwr [LH56] had not yet been done. The chairman stated that it will be done soon.    **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**  Cllr Hood-Williams left the room at this point and Cllr Aubrey took the chair.  **Applications considered:**  2015/1271 : 1 Dunvant Road, Three Crosses. Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for existing use. Retention of domestic curtilage and patio area.  The community council resolved not to comment on this application.  Cllr Hood- Williams re-entered the room and resumed the chair.  **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**  Nothing further to report.  **DELEGATES REPORTS**  Cllr Hood-Williams reported that he is to serve on the committee of the Gower AONB Partnership.  **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**  The next meeting would take place on Thursday 17th September 2015. There would also be a Finance Meeting to consider Community Grant applications.  The meeting closed at 8.28 pm. | ID  ID  ID  ID  ID  BH  ID  WS  ID  PHW  ID  ID |