**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**ON THURSDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER 2015 AT 7.30pm**

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|  | **PRESENT**: | |
|  | **Community Councillor** | **Community Councillor** |
|  | Paxton Hood-Williams (PHW) | Daniel Pugh Jones (DPJ) |
|  | Belinda Hansford (BH)  Warren Smart (WS)  **Advisor:** Kirsty Hanson (KH) | Kevin White (KW) |
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|  | **Clerk:** Ian Donaldson (ID)  **Members of the Public present: None** | |
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**Meeting commenced 7.30pm Community Councillor Paxton Hood-Williams (Chairman of the Community Council) presiding**

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This was carried with Cllr Jones abstaining as he was not present at that meeting.  **MATTERS ARISING**  [646] Cllr Hansford reported that the laptops had been handed over to the headmaster of Crwys School who was delighted and thanked the council.  [646] The clerk reported that 50kg [approx. 600 bulbs] had been given to the school. Half were early and half late flowering. Mr Saer was arranging for the pupils to plant these around the around the perimeter of the Banc.  [646] The clerk reported that he had failed to find an independent arbiter for the LHCC/TCCC issue. It was agreed that he now contact Paul Egan of One Voice Wales to see if he could undertake this task. If the response was positive he would then contact the Chair of LHCC.  **CLERK’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**  **1.** **The Banc Play Area** – The drains have been rodded again. Heavy rain has made it difficult to assess any improvement.  **2. Pump & Pond Project –** Gower Landscape Partnership Grant for £2796 approved 20/10/15. The Gower Society have again agreed to extend their deadline for completion.  Lee & Howl Pump bought for £60 from Malvern, collection has been arranged.  **3. Tirmynydd Triangles –** not cut in October. Following the extraordinary meeting held on 8/11/15 an application to register this land as a village green was submitted on 13/11/15 and has been acknowledged by C&CS. TCCC has become a member of The Open Spaces Society at a cost of £45/annum.  The Chairman and clerk updated the meeting about progress on the Village Green application for the land bordering Tirmynydd and Chapel Roads and up to Pantydwr.  They reported that the application had been presented to the Legal Dept. of C&CS on Friday 13th of November and it had been acknowledged as **Application No: 2733(S**). The council had taken advice from the Open Spaces Society and a local firm of solicitors.  **4. Community Centre Broadband –** 18 month contract at £13/month commenced 15/10/15.  **5. Review of Grounds Maintenance Contract –** On Nov 1st the existing contract entered its final year before a re-tendering process in 2016.  **6. Electricity Supply Contract 2015-16 –** New contact with ExtraEnergy commences 1/12/12.  **7. LHCC & TCCC Financial Situation –** no contact made with an alternative arbiter as yet.  8. **Community Centre** – chair cleaning will commence in late November.  9. **Laptops** – these have been prepared for hand over to the school. New RAM has been fitted to the fourth and is working ok.  **10. Post Office TCCC noticeboard** – still awaiting the new tenant/owner to gain permission from the owners of the building to make some structural changes to the front wall & window frames.  **11. Community Centre Water Heater** – replacement heater fitted in the kitchen.  **Correspondence Received/Sent in October & November**  **12. Community Centre Deeds** – No further correspondence from LHCC.  **13. Byron Davies MP** – letter received 14/11/15 to explain his position on the Sunday trading issue.  **14. Western Power Distribution – l**etter and cheque for £14.24 received17/10/15 as payment for wayleaves on the Banc from Oct 2014 to Oct 2015. TCCC have never received these before so investigation revealed that they had been paid to LHCC for 2012 -2014. Copies of the consent agreements obtained from Western Power. LHCC politely asked for back payments.  **15. Wales Audit Office - Report on Financial Management & Governance in Community & Town Councils 2013-14 published.** They state that things are improving but that some council still fail and these were named and shamed. They confirm that budget setting and monitoring will the theme for the 2015/16 audit.  **16. One Voice Wales – Welsh Government Review of Grant Funding to OVW -** Feedback form sent back with positive comments on 15/11/15.  **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**  Cllr Hansford reported that the preparations for ‘ Saturday Night on The Banc 2016’ were going well. Commercial Marquees had quoted for a larger unit with additional chair and tables. The deposit amount had to be discussed further. Cllr Smart proposed and Cllr Jones seconded a motion that the clerk and Cllr Hansford be given plenary powers to arrange this event. The motion was carried unanimously.  The clerk reported that Ian Rhydderch and Colin Davies had agreed to perform on the night, hopefully along with James Smart and his friends. Andrew Sprott had agreed to provide the lighting, the bar would again be run by the Poundffald and the food by the Joiners Arms.  Cllr Hansford reported that she had spoken to Mr Saer about a school Cawl evening. He had indicated that that he planned to speak to the chapel deacons about holding it early evening in the vestry with the food being prepared in the school kitchens. It was agreed that the food costs would be met by the Community Council.  It was stated that sales of tickets for the village Christmas dinner dance were poor with only 54 being sold so far. Cllr Hansford said that this was the last year that she would organise the event.  The clerk agreed to speak with Robert Morgan about providing a Christmas Tree again.    **FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**  The clerk presented the November 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.  It was also approved that two invoices for Dec/Jan paid, £60 for the pump and £45 for the Open Spaces Society subscription.  **COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS**  Cllr Hansford tabled a set of topics for possible inclusion in the Jan – Mar newsletter. This was agreed with some extra items added.  **CAPITAL PROJECTS**  A capital projects meeting was held on Sunday 8/11/15 at 7.30pm. Decisions on several projects had been deferred but Cllr Smart said that he would revive the replacement playpark scheme and go out for re-quotes.  The clerk mentioned that he was now ready to contact the 3 stonework contractors to re-quote for the pump project. Cllr Smart agreed to prepare a specification for the two sites.  He also agreed to investigate the possibility that the low voltage power line runs under the Banc under the proposed pump site.  **CITY COUNCIL MATTERS**  Cllr Smart reported that the roadway/footpath below the old quarry needs to be cleaned. He also reported that on Cae Mansel, past the Golf Club and the first house, there was a collapsing manhole cover in the road.  He reported that the 20mph sign at the bottom of Pantydwr had again blown down.  **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**  Cllr Hood-Williams left the room at this point and Cllr Smart took the chair.  **2015/2245** 44, Pantydwr; was discussed and it was resolved that TCCC had **no objections** to this application.  Cllr Hood-Williams re-entered the room and resumed the chair.    **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**  There were no reports.  **DELEGATES REPORTS**  Cllr Hood-Williams stated that he and the clerk had attended the One Voice Wales – Area Committee meeting on 29th October. It had been an interesting and well attended meeting.  **REVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICIES**  **Financial Risk Assessment Schedule.**  The clerk reported that he had reviewed this and updated it in line with the new insurance policy and schedule. This had been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.  Cllr Smart proposed and Cllr White seconded a motion that the revised schedule be accepted. This was carried unanimously.  **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**  The next meeting would take place on Thursday 21st January 2016. There would also be a Finance meeting where the 2016/17 budget would be discussed and approved and the precept set.  The meeting closed at 9.00 pm. | ID  ID  ID  PHW/ID  ID  ID    ID  BH/ID  ID  ID  BH  WS  ID  WS  PHW  ID  ID |