**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**ON THURSDAY, 19TH JANUARY 2017 AT 7.30pm**

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|  | **PRESENT**: | |
|  | **Community Councillor** | **Community Councillor** |
|  | Paxton Hood- Williams [PHW]  Belinda Hansford [BH] | Daniel Jones [DJ] |
|  | Kevin White [KW] | Khan Prince [KP] |
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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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| **ITEM** | **HEADING** | **ACTION BY** |
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He was very pleased to see all community councillors present.  **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Warren Smart and Nigel Aubrey.  **DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREJUDICIAL INTEREST**  Cllr Hood- Williams declared an interest in all matters pertaining to the City & County of Swansea.  **MINUTES OF MEETINGS**  Cllr Hansford proposed that the minutes of the previous monthly meeting held on 17th November were a true record. Cllr Prince seconded the motion and it was carried with Cllr White abstaining as he was not present at that meeting.  **MATTERS ARISING**  [859] Cllrs Hansford and White had done the tidying up of the website.  [861] A public meeting to discuss the creation of a village wide 20mph zone had been held.  [862] Cllr Hood-Williams said he wished to place on record the gratitude of the community council for all the work done by the clerk on the village green application.  [876] No progress made on the Community Strategy document.  [877] The chairman was yet to speak to the bus service provider.  **CLERK’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**  **1.**  **Defibrillator Project-** Grant application being prepared. Meeting was arranged with Cariad but they did not turn up. Now rearranged for Friday 20th January.  *Re****-****arranged again for Monday 23rd January*  **2. BT Payphone removal consultation –** awaiting consultation with Cariad before proceeding with adoption process.  **3. Barclays Bank mandate & cheque signatory update –** New forms still being prepared for signing.  **4. Community Centre Trees** – Martin Bagnell has explained that C&CS Parks Dept. have a survey service which carries out a risk assessment of any trees on TCCC land. The estimate for the centre would be circa £150 and this would last for 3 years. No progress as yet.  **Correspondence Received/Sent in October & November**  **5. LHCC & TCCC Financial Situation –**emailed letter received and circulated on 28/12/16 from LHCC replying to our letter of 18/11/16. The letter once again re-states their position in February.  *Further emails exchanged w/c 16th January to try and clarify positions.*  **6. Village Green Application –** Report of the Independent Inspector received 21/12/16 from C&CS Legal Dept. The recommendation is to approve our application.  *Noted*  **7. Tenovus** – letter received 12/01/17 asking for a donation.  *Noted*  **8. External Audit** – several letters from BDO LLP saying the invoice is coming.  *Noted*  **9**. **Wildflowers 2017** – email received from C&CS Parks asking if we wish to proceed again in 2017. Site visit to select areas offered.  *It was agreed that the council will proceed with wildflower planting again this year with a couple of variations. Remove Chapel Road and plant along Tirmynydd Road from the cattle grid up to Chapel Road junction.*  **10. Playground Annual Inspection** – arranged for Wed 25/1/17. Arranged an accompanied inspection with a ‘Risk Analysis’ and a ‘Disability Discrimination Act Audit’ as add ons.   |  |  | | --- | --- | | *Noted* |  |   **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**  Cllr Hansford said School Fete Day would be held on Saturday 24th June 2017. She reported that the marquee, portaloos and disco had been provisionally booked. The only things left were the security and insurance arrangements for the event.    **FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**  The clerk presented the December & January accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr White proposed and Cllr Hansford seconded the motion that the accounts be approved. This was carried unanimously. The approved accounts are appended to these minutes.  **COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS**  Cllr Hansford said that she would be putting some ideas for the next newsletter and would table them in the next meeting. Everyone remarked at how well the new format and content was being received by residents.  **CAPITAL PROJECTS**  Cllr Hood-Williams reported that a History Trail meeting had taken place and copious notes written. Cllr White agreed that it was time to select the most interesting ones and to focus in on them.    **CITY COUNCIL MATTERS**  Cllr Jones raised the topic of pot-holes around the village. The chairman said that he was with a team on Monday last repairing them in the area.    **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**  The clerk reported that there no planning applications to consider this month.  **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**  There were no issues reported.  **DELEGATES REPORTS**  The chairman reported that he and the clerk had attended a meeting of the Community/Town Councils Forum on the 16th of January. The main agenda item was to brief clerks on the forthcoming May council election process. The clerk gave a brief outline of the process and timescales.  Cllr Hansford reported that she had attended an event the previous day dealing with the topic of ‘Pre-application community consultation: getting the benefits’. She outlined the main points to the council meeting.  **FINANCIAL DISCUSSIONS WITH LLANRHIDIAN HIGHER COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  The exchange of email correspondence in December and January was tabled by the clerk and discussed at length by the council.  It was decided unanimously that if LHCC do not decide to go to binding arbitration on this issue at their January monthly meeting, then Three Crosses Community Council would immediately register a complaint with the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.  **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**  The next monthly meeting would take place on Thursday 16th February 2017.  The meeting closed at 8.25pm | WS  PHW  BH/ID        ID    ID            ID  ID    WS BH/ID    BH  KW/PHW      ID/PHW |