**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**ON THURSDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY 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] | Warren Smart [WS] |
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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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Cllr White seconded the motion and it was carried with Cllr Smart abstaining as he was not present at that meeting.  **MATTERS ARISING**  [862] Cllr Hood-Williams said he would be writing to thank all residents who completed Evidence Questionnaires used in the village green application.  [888] Cllr Smart said that he started to work on the Community Strategy document. He gave an outline of the projects he would be including in the document. The chairman asked him to write it up so that it could be discussed by the new council after the election.  One urgent issue was the drainage situation on the Banc Play Park. This appeared to be getting worse and the clerk would speak to Bay Landscapes to rod the drains again.  Cllr Smart agreed to speak to Mr Mike Sweeny at the local authority to get specialist advice on the problem and possible solutions.  **CLERK’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**  **1.**  **Defibrillator Project-** Grant application made.  **2. BT Payphone removal consultation –** awaiting response from BT to our request.    **3. Barclays Bank mandate & cheque signatory update –** New forms still being prepared for signing.  **4. Community Centre Trees** – contacted Martin Bignell, Tree Services Manager, to organise the survey. *Meeting arranged on site for Monday 20th February at 10.00am.*  **5. Wildflowers 2017** – Spoken with Ceri Davies, C&CS Parks to survey sites in near future.  **Correspondence Received/Sent in October & November**  **6. LHCC & TCCC Financial Situation –** no correspondence received following their January meeting. *The meeting decided unanimously to submit a formal complaint to the Public Ombudsman for Wales about the failure of LHCC to accept arbitration having previously proposed it themselves.*  **7. External Audit** – Invoice from Wales Audit Office received. £50 cheaper than 2015/6.  **8. Playground Annual Inspection** – held on Wed 25/1/17 with the Clerk present. The usual comments were made about the bark surface. However the main concerns were over the oldest swing set where there is rusting on the triangular top and cross beam. The other top piece was replaced 2 years ago. Clerk to arrange a quotation for repair.  The other concerns were rusting on the top bars of all other swing sets. He recommends rust removal and repainting. Clerk to arrange a quotation.  *The meeting gave the go ahead to the clerk to arrange the necessary repairs.*  A ‘Risk Analysis’ and a ‘Disability Discrimination Act Audit’ were also carried out to aid any future grant application.  **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**  Cllr Hansford said School Fete Day would be held on Saturday 24th June 2017. She said the only things left to sort out were the overnight security, alcohol licence and insurance cover for the event.    **FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**  The clerk presented the February accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr Smart proposed and Cllr White seconded the motion that the accounts be approved. This was carried unanimously. The approved accounts are appended to these minutes.  **COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS**  Cllr Hansford tabled some ideas for the next newsletter. These would include articles on the May elections, the 20mph zone, the village green, the summer fete and hogroast event and any news on defibrillators for the village.  It was agreed that the newsletter should be distributed earlier this time, hopefully before the end of March. This would be discussed again at the next meeting on 16th March.  Cllr Hansford asked if an update from the CDSA could be provided.  Cllr proposed and Cllr Smart seconded that the school be allowed to spend up to £200 on the ingredients for the planned Cawl Evening. This was agreed unanimously.    **CAPITAL PROJECTS**  Cllr White agreed that it was time to select the most interesting stories from the History Trail meeting and to focus in on them. He would write them up and contact the contributors to discuss further.    **CITY COUNCIL MATTERS**  The chairman reported that over the next few weeks there would be several road closures in the area to repair damaged roads.  It was noted that the pot hole repair teams were very active and good response times had been noted.  **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**  Cllr Hood-Williams left the meeting at this point and Cllr Smart took the chair. Two applications were discussed;  2016/3345 20, Joiners Rd  2017/0106 14, Gowerton Rd  After discussion it was agreed that there were no grounds to object on either application.  **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**  There were no issues reported.  **DELEGATES REPORTS**  The chairman reported that he and the clerk had attended a meeting of the One Voice Wales Area Committee on the 23rd of January. A short report from the meeting was delivered.  **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**  The next monthly meeting would take place on Thursday 16th March 2017.  The meeting closed at 8.45pm | WS        ID  ID    ID/PHW          ID    WS  ID  ID |