**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**ON THURSDAY, 20TH APRIL 2017 AT 7.30pm**

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|  | **PRESENT**: | |
|  | **Community Councillor** | **Community Councillor** |
|  | Paxton Hood-Williams [PHW]  Belinda Hansford [BH] | Daniel Jones [DJ]  Warren Smart [WS] |
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|  | **Clerk:** Ian Donaldson (ID)  **Members of the Public present: Mrs Sally McGregor (duly elected as a Community Councillor for Three Crosses from 5/5/17) attended as an observer.** | |
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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 Smart seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.  **MATTERS ARISING**  [916] Cllr Smart said he had met with 2 representatives from C&CS drainage department to discuss the standing water problem on the bank.  They discussed the connection from the Banc to the highway drainage system, the council have no records of this drainage system but will allow Cllr Smart on behalf of the Community Council to investigate if they wish to do so, provided we inform C&CS drainage department first.  C&CS stated they would not want any additional flow passed forward to the highway drainage from the Banc as a result of any work that the council undertake.  They also advised the Community Council to have a porous play area surface if possible, which would match the current situation and prevent additional runoff.  [930] Cllr Hood-Williams had yet to prepare the complaint to the ombudsman on the LHCC issue.  [888] Cllr Smart said that he had completed the Community Strategy document and would present it to the new council.  [931] The clerk reported that insurance had been organised for the Hog Roast Event.  Cllr Smart was asked to arrange the overnight security.  **CLERK’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**  **1.**  **Defibrillator Project-** Information and awareness sessions to begin on Tuesday 25th April at 7.00 pm in the Community Centre.  **2. BT Payphone adoption –** now formally adopted ready for defibrillator unit.    **3. Barclays Bank mandate & cheque signatory update –** New forms prepared for signing.  **4. Community Centre Trees** – awaiting survey report.  **5. Wildflowers 2017** – contract signed for 2017.  **6.** **Playground Inspection Remedial work** – awaiting return from holiday of Bay Landscape management to arrange painting and groundwork.  **Correspondence Received/Sent in March/April**  **7. LHCC & TCCC Financial Situation –** awaiting report.  **8. Internal Audit** – documents delivered to Lyn Llewellyn.  **9. Candidate Spending Returns –** forms received from C & CS for completion.  **10. Pant y Dwr /Tirmynydd -** Western Power have now repaired the verges.  **11. Welsh Assembly Government –** New ‘Good Councillor’s Guide’ received and circulated 30/3/17.  **12. No.2 Chapel Road car parking –** letter sent to occupiers, no re-occurrence to date.  **13. Email from Sara John** – Cllr Smart informed the meeting about and email he had received from this resident regarding planning advice concerning a caravan at Rean Fawr Farm. The meeting discussed the limited remit of the Community Council to comment on planning issues rather than to give advice and agreed that the e-mail should be forward to the clerk who would then reply on behalf of the council.  **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**  There had been no meetings held, however one would be arranged in earl June to finalise arrangements for the Hog Roast event.  **FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**  The clerk presented the April accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr Prince and Cllr Hansford seconded the motion that the accounts be approved. This was carried unanimously. The approved accounts are appended to these minutes.  The chairman asked that thankyou letter to be sent to the Film Society for their kind generosity in donating £600 towards the Defibrillator Project.  **COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS**  The chairman remarked that the latest newsletter had been warmly welcomed across the village and thanked Cllr Hansford for her hard work yet again.  **CAPITAL PROJECTS**  Cllr Hood-Williams said that the History Trail project could turn into a North Gower one. He said that Cllr White needed support & help on this. Cllr Smart offered his time.  There was a discussion about the drainage situation on the Banc. It was resolved that the clerk would speak with J. Davis about the previous work done there and then talk to Barry Bourne with a view to carrying out investigative work. Any corrective work would be undertaken in September.  Cllr Smart asked for "a cost to repair or replace" on the two benches at the top of the Banc, and one of the planters (because the benches are old CCs benches and it may be better to invest in replacement benches at this stage – the council should discuss the options once we have the quotes).  **CITY COUNCIL MATTERS**  The Chairman confirmed that no formal appeal from The Somerset Trust against the village green ruling had been received by C&CS.  **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**  There were no planning applications to discuss.  **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**  There were no issues reported.  **DELEGATES REPORTS**  There had been no meetings to report back on.  **DATE OF NEXT MEETING(S)**  The Annual General Meeting of the new council would take place on Thursday 18th May 2017. This would be followed by the first monthly meeting.  The meeting closed at 8.25pm | WS  PHW  WS    WS          ID    PHW    ID  ID  BH        ID  KW/WS  ID  ID |