



**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
**ON THURSDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2017 AT 7.30pm**

**PRESENT:**

**Community Councillor**  
 Belinda Hansford (BH)  
 Paxton Hood-Williams [PHW]

**Community Councillor**  
 Warren Smart [WS]

**Clerk:** Ian Donaldson (ID)

**Members of the Public present: Mr Emmanuel Owoso of 62, Gowerton Road, Three Crosses.**

Mr Owoso raised his concerns about the speed of some vehicles coming up and down Cae Mansel. In particular, he reported that he had witnessed several near misses at the bad bend just up from the Mount area of Gowerton. He wished to explore the options available to reduce the speed limit along the lane. The chairman explained that the section of road in question came under Gowerton Community Council, however he agreed to discuss the options available with his counterpart, the City Councillor for Gowerton.

The chairman took the opportunity to inform Mr Owoso about the planned introduction of a 20mph zone across the whole village.

Mr Owoso also raised the problem of emptied recycling bags blowing onto the roads, he had lost a few. He asked if the collectors could take more care and put the bags further up driveways. The chairman said that he puts his house number on his bags, however winds will often blow them about.

**Meeting commenced 7.40pm Community Councillor Paxton Hood-Williams (Chairman of the Community Council) presiding**

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION BY
1004	<p><b><u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u></b>            Cllr Hood- Williams welcomed those present to the meeting. He reported that on 5<sup>th</sup> July he had attended the Larger Councils Conference in Builth Wells organised by One Voice Wales. He was pleased to announce that Three Crosses Community Council had won an all Wales award for the 'Best Environmental Project 2017'. He said he was honoured to be able to accept the glass trophy on behalf of Three Crosses. The project which won involved the Village Biodiversity Audit and the implementation of the recommendations contained in the final report. Cllr Smart proposed and Cllr Hansford seconded the purchase of a cabinet to house the trophy, and any subsequent awards. This was agreed unanimously. It was also agreed to have the award engraved with the council's name.</p>	ID ID
1005	<p><b><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></b>            There were apologies from Cllrs Jones, Khan, McGregor &amp; White.</p>	

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1006	<p><b><u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREJUDICIAL INTEREST</u></b>                  There was a declaration of interest from Cllr Hood-Williams, with regard to all CCS matters.</p>	
1007	<p><b><u>MINUTES OF MEETINGS</u></b>                  Unfortunately the minutes of the previous meeting were unable to be formally approved as not enough councillors were present who attended the June meeting.</p>	
1008	<p><b><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></b>                  [983] Road Safety – Cllr Hood-Williams confirmed he had met again with Jeff Green of C&amp;CS and that design ideas were being drawn up.                  [989] The chairman reported that sufficient funds had been identified to continue with the project. He said that he has seen an example of a suitable interpretation board.</p>	PHW PHW/KW
1009	<p><b><u>CLERK’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Defibrillator Project-</b> AED Units installed across the village. Further information/training sessions planned.</li> <li><b>2. External Audit for 2016/17</b> – Awaiting report from BDO LLP.</li> <li><b>3. Banc Drainage</b> –B-Line have carried out some survey work, further excavations to be done.</li> <li><b>4. Playground Inspection Remedial work</b> –Bay Landscapes Ltd have completed the painting.</li> <li><b>5. British Gas Electricity Meters</b> – Arrangements made to survey the Community Centre with a view to installing smart meters.</li> <li><b>6. Banc Benches</b> – 2 new benches on order for delivery &amp; installation on Friday July 28th.</li> <li><b>7. Other benches</b> – Bay landscapes replacing spar on Cefn Draw bench. Ray O’Keefe has been asked to repaint the remaining 6 benches [Tirmynydd Rd, Cilonnen, Poundffald, Community Centre/Cryws Farm, Gowerton Rd, Chapel Road] and to stain the Banc planters.                  [bench survey conducted and circulated 16/7/17 ]</li> <li><b>8. Joiners Rd Former BT Box</b> – Both door window panes shattered, probably by someone using an air rifle. Glass cleaned up straight away and Gowerglaze have removed the door completely to improve access to the defibrillator unit.</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Correspondence Received/Sent in June &amp; July</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>9. LHCC &amp; TCCC Financial Situation</b> – letter received from Llanrhidian Higher Council again rejecting the offer of independent arbitration.</li> <li><b>10. Model Local Dispute Resolution Protocol</b> – letter received from Head of Legal (C&amp;CS) and model code from OVW. Circulated 16/7/17.</li> <li><b>11. Telephone call from Mrs Mary Hobbs</b> – complaining about the bus stop on Tirmynydd/Chapel Rd junction being overgrown.  <i>Cllr Hood-Williams has arranged for the highways department of C&amp;CS to cut this back.</i></li> <li><b>12. Email from Mrs Ann Stephens</b> – asking about the planters at the top of the Banc. He asked if it would be acceptable if she could help tidy them up.  <i>It was agreed at the meeting that the clerk thank Mrs Stephens for her kind offer and that any expenses incurred be refunded to her.</i></li> </ol>	ID ID ID ID PHW PHW ID
1010	<p><b><u>SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS</u></b>                  The Fete Day &amp; Hog-roast had been a great success once again. The clerk had circulated a cost breakdown of this year’s event showing a similar income &amp; expenditure to the 2016</p>	

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1010	event. It was noted that there would have to be a different arrangement with the bar and food next year. A meeting would be held in Oct/Nov to discuss these arrangements.	ALL
1011	<b><u>FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u></b> The clerk presented the July accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr Smart that these be accepted. Cllr Hansford seconded this and the motion was carried unanimously. The approved accounts are appended to these minutes.	
1012	<b><u>COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS</u></b> Cllr Hansford said that in the next newsletter, she would add an item about the hogroast costs and the generosity of local businesses. Cllr Smart requested that the newsletter delivery areas be rotated for subsequent editions. This was agreed unanimously.	BH
1013	<b><u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u></b> It had been agreed to hold a special meeting soon to discuss the Strategy Document and the History Trail project.	PHW
1014	<b><u>CITY COUNCIL MATTERS</u></b> Cllr Smart again raised the issue of the village signs and asked if Bay Landscapes could do the work. Cllr Hood-Williams agreed to ask highways to cut back around the signs and to clean the signs.	
1015	<b><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u></b> The meeting was unable to resolve any issues due to the withdrawal of Cllr Hood-Williams which left the meeting non –quorate.	
1016	<b><u>FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS</u></b> No reports	
1017	<b><u>DELEGATES REPORTS</u></b> There had been no meetings to report back on.	
1018	<b><u>REVIEW &amp; APPROVAL OF GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS</u></b> The clerk had circulated the following documents for annual review: <i>Financial Regulations</i> <i>Health &amp; Safety Policy</i> Cllr Smart proposed that these documents be approved. This was seconded by Cllr Hansford and carried unanimously.	
1019	<b><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></b> The next monthly meeting would take place on Thursday 21st September.  The meeting closed at 8.35pm	

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