



MINUTES OF MEETING OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL
HELD REMOTELY ON MICROSOFT TEAMS
ON THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7.30PM

PRESENT:

Community Councillor

Paxton Hood-Williams [PHW]
Warren Smart [WS]
Andrew Rogers [AR]

Community Councillor

Debbie Male [DM]
Kevin White [KW]

Clerk: Ian Donaldson [ID]

Members of the public present: Dana Evans 1, Pentwyn, Three Crosses

Ms Evans asked to address the meeting with several concerns and complaints. She said that since last Autumn she has been unable to take part in these meetings as they were being held on MS Teams. She said that she had been close to making an official complaint and had asked for the complaint policy. However, upon reading it she felt it was no worth it, it was not worth the paper it was written on. The clerk explained that the Complaints Policy was based on the Society of Local Council Clerks Complaint Handling and Model Complaints Procedure document which was endorsed by the Local Government Ombudsman. The policy was reviewed annually.

Ms Evans remarked that the policy document was not yet on the new website. She added that the new site was a great improvement on the previous one.

She moved onto the validity of the recent village resident survey conducted by Cllr Glover on behalf of the council. She said that as there were around 1,500 residents of Three Crosses with only around 850 registered on the Facebook Page, this was not a representative survey since 50% of residents were excluded.

The clerk pointed out that Cllr Glover had published an article on page 11 of issue 34 (June – September) of Crwys News where residents could ask for a paper or email copy of the survey to complete. She had given out her phone number and had offered to collect completed forms if needed.

Ms Evans commented that the article was printed on a green background with a white typeface, she found this difficult to read.

Ms Evans queried minute 1744 in the approved June Meeting Minutes where it had been stated that the Facebook page would be used to seek resident's views on the proposed outdoor gym project. The Chairman said that this minute was not entirely accurate.

Ms Evans decided to stay for the rest of the council meeting.

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Meeting commenced 7.50pm Community Councillor Paxton Hood-Williams (Chairman of the Community Council) presiding.

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION BY
1777	<p><u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the council meeting and added that he hoped the members had enjoyed the summer.</p>	
1778	<p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> There were apologies from Cllrs Jones & Glover</p>	
1779	<p><u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREJUDICIAL INTEREST</u> There were declarations of interest from Cllr Hood-Williams, with regard to all C&CS matters.</p>	
1780	<p><u>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 15th July had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr White proposed and Cllr Rogers seconded the motion that they be accepted as a true record. The minutes were approved unanimously with Cllr Smart abstaining as he was not present at the meeting.</p>	
1781	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u> [1766] Cllr White reported that the problems with the website had been resolved although there were still some folders and files to move across. The issue with the security certificate had been solved with the able assistance of Cllr Rogers and would be installed soon. [1766] The Highways Dept search regarding land around the Community Centre - Mr Geoff Bacon of SCC Estates has now referred this to the Highways Dept to seek their approval. No progress. [1766] PHW reported that there had been one applicant for the vacant clerk's position. This was being considered and was left with Cllr Smart. [1772] Cllr White said that he had not seen evidence of the road drains being cleared out ready for the rainy season.</p>	<p>KW PHW WS PHW</p>
1782	<p><u>CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE</u> 1. External Audit Process – Annual Report sent to Audit Wales. Some requested clarifications sent but no audit report received as yet. 2. Litter/Waste Bins –SCC have replaced the damaged double litter bin by the playground with a new Derby Square dual purpose one. Also replaced the damaged post mounted dog waste only bin at the top of the Banc, with a new Derby Round one, again marked dual purpose (not on a concrete base as yet, awaiting comments as to best position). Quotation for a new bin for Wern Olau received from SCC [£1450 up front cost & £325/annum to empty from end year 3]. Resolved not to proceed. 3. Community Centre Re-Opening – reopening September 8th. Rules and Risk Assessments to apply.</p>	
1782	<p>4. Benches – Quotation from Streetmaster £633 (ex VAT) each for same</p>	

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	<p>benches as Banc (without TCCC logo). Refurbishment cost of £6,637 ex VAT for the 8 benches (not including painting the frames) supplied by SCC. <i>Cllr Smart reported that he knew a tradesman that might be willing to refurbish these benches and would give a quote soon. Cllr White proposed that these old benches be replaced with new ones being better value for money in the long term. It was resolved to wait for 2 weeks before placing an order to renew.</i></p> <p>5. Damaged Manhole at Community Centre – Arrangements being made to repair the cover.</p> <p>6 Outdoor Gym Scheme – Cllr Smart has contacted Broxap and a site visit/quotation is awaited. The July meeting authorised Broxap as the preferred supplier.</p> <p>7. Barclays Mandate Changes & BACS Authorisations – Invitations to register with Barclays Online Banking for PHW, AR, WS & DJ issued by email at end July. AR has completed the process and authorised the August payments on behalf of TCCC. <i>It was agreed that Cllrs Hood-Williams, Smart and Jones should expedite their registrations.</i></p> <p>8. Boundary Commission Wales Report – received 8/9/21 and circulated.</p>	<p>ID</p> <p>WS</p> <p>PHW/WS/DJ</p>
1783	<p><u>FINANCIAL REPORT/ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u> The clerk presented the August & September accounts for payment. It was proposed by Cllr Rogers that these be accepted. Cllr White seconded this and the motion was carried unanimously. The approved accounts are appended to these minutes</p>	
1784	<p><u>COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS</u> Cllr Glover has issued to councillors her report and summary on the Village Residents Survey. Unfortunately, due to work commitments she was unable to attend this meeting and the matter was deferred to October.</p>	
1785	<p><u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u> Cllr Smart had now circulated the quotation he had received from Broxap on 19/7/21. He confirmed that the prices quoted had been confirmed with the issue of a quote dated 14/9/21. He had queried some warranty items but these had been resolved. The clerk remarked that it was essential to obtain at least 3 similarly specified quotations in order to satisfy the Financial Regulations and thus the auditors. He had issued a quote comparison document showing two schemes but was awaiting information from Cllr Smart for the schemes from Mant Leisure and Wicksteed Leisure. He said that now the Broxap detailed quote had been examined it had become apparent that the FreshAirFitness scheme was only £116 more expensive but had an extra item installed. He suggested that Broxap should be asked to revisit their quote. He also pointed out that council should visit a scheme installed by Broxap, preferably with grass tiles, to assess the wear. Prior to placing any order a Broxap representative should visit to assess the exact locations along the land. Cllr Smart said that there were two locations in Cardiff built by Broxap and he</p>	<p>WS</p> <p>WS</p> <p>WS</p>

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1785	<p>would ask for details to visit at least one. It was commented that rubber mulch could be a cheaper alternative to wet pour if grass tiles were not suitable. The clerk said that the project to plant 4 flowering cherry trees along the wester edge of the Banc was on hold due to the delay with the outdoor gym project.</p>	WS ID
1786	<p><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u> Cllr Hood- Williams left the room and Cllr Smart took the chair. 2021/2315/SCR - Cllr Smart explained that this was a screening application made by Coastal Housing in an attempt to have the need for an Environmental Impact Assessment waived by SCC Planning Dept. He mentioned that the scheme which would involve building 34 new homes 51% of which were 'affordable' had been commented upon on the Facebook Page. At this time it was not possible for residents to make comments on the SCC planning portal, but that he had spoken to an employee of Coastal asking for the community to be involved from the start. An outline planning application could be submitted in the next two weeks. It was agreed that Cllr Smart post on Facebook explaining the process and the next steps. 2021/2232/PLD - After discussion it was decided to make no comment. 2021/2348/S73 - After discussion it was decided to make no comment. Cllr White thanked Cllr Smart for his handling of the Gowerton Road planning application correspondence with residents, He remarked that sometimes it the role of a community councillor just to advise residents on how comment/object and specifically what about.</p>	WS
1787	<p><u>CITY COUNCIL MATTERS</u> The subject of Active Travel was raised. The recent report issued from SCC had not mentioned the LH58 (Dukefield to Ddol) option. Instead a Joint Users lane had been mentioned along and down Dunvant Rd. Cllr Hood-Williams said that he was talking to several groups within Active Travel. Cllr White asked if this could be formalised and the chairman agreed to put something together for him to comment on.</p>	PHW
1788	<p><u>FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS</u> There no issues to discuss.</p>	ID
1789	<p><u>DELEGATES REPORTS</u> Cllrs Hood- Williams & Male had attended the OVW Swansea Area Committee meeting but would report back on this in the October meeting.</p>	
1790	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The next monthly meeting was scheduled for 21st October2021 @ 7.30pm, hopefully at the community centre.</p>	

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