



Minutes of Community Council Meeting
at Three Crosses Community Centre
on Thursday, 23rd Nov 2023
at 7.30pm

PRESENT:

Community Councillor

Cllr Paxton R Hood-Williams(PHW)

Cllr Debbie Male (DM)

Cllr Warren Smart (WS)

Community Councillor

Cllr Bev Evans

Cllr Paul Dennis

Cllr Annie Gallagher

Clerk: Cllr W Smart (Temp)

Meeting commenced 7:33pm

Cllr P R Hood-Williams, Chair of the Community Council presiding

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION
1.0	<u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u>	
	Meeting commenced at 7:33 pm The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.	
2.0	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>	
	Cllr Daniel Jones	
3.0	<u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREJUDICIAL INTEREST</u>	
	As City Councillor for the Fairwood ward, Cllr Hood-Williams submitted a declaration of interest, regarding all C&CS matters.	

4.0	<u>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS</u>	
	The minutes of the monthly meeting held on 26th Oct 2023 were approved, proposed by Cllr Dennis and seconded by Cllr Male and unanimously accepted.	
<u>5.0 MATTERS ARISING</u>		
The items were all closed unless as detailed below.		
6.0	<u>Clerks Report</u>	

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- Hedge Laying at the community centre, requested by Councillors Action – clerk to contact Mal
- Village Benches – survey completed by Cllr Dennis and issued prior to the meeting
The village bench survey was completed by Cllr Dennis and issued to councillors prior to the meeting both the benches and the planters are in poor condition. Councillors agreed to create a village benches project to look into this matter further. The following suggestions were tabled: -
 - Establish conversation benches, add plaques to identify as conversation benches
 - Place a new bench near the park
 - Place a remembrance bench at the chapel
 - Place new benches in the woodland and another table
 - Dedicate benches/sponsorship

The bench opposite Dukefield on Chapel Road agreed that is to be removed proposed by Cllr Gallagher and seconded by Cllr Male.

Planters are also falling apart
Agreed to obtain prices for planters Cllr Evans to follow this up with prices.

- Maintenance Contract – now due for renewal
Action – Clerk to amend the contract ready for tender
- D Day 80yrs celebrations – discuss having areas of poppies as in 2018 in planters or wild areas. Cllr Male – propose planters poppies
Action - Cllr Male to buy and place poppies
- Discuss the hanging baskets for 2024
Agreed to have the same as last year for the lampposts, the planters and the ground display at the Banc. Also, to see if we can add anymore lamp post baskets. Proposed Cllr Male seconded Cllr Evans
- Discuss the Solar Panel project
Additional quotes required Cllr Gallagher suggested energy coop details agree Cllr Dennis obtain another quote (used at dunvant)

Cllr Dennis lux survey and 3rd quote.

Letter received from the WI pointing out some maintenance and refurbishment to the community centre, similar issues have been raised by the Hall Manager.

Agree to set up a project to refurbish the community centre

Discuss access to the community centre, agreed to have a key safe box at the centre

Agree to place a key safe near the centre have an alarm to monitor and door camera

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<u>9.0</u>	<u>Accounts for Payment/ Financial Matters</u>	
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Accounts for payment were tabled together with the monthly invoices for review and discussion

October bank statement and account transactions in the period tabled for information

Accounts for payment were unanimously approved proposed by Cllr Gallagher and seconded Cllr Evans

The hall income from January still needs to be transferred from the trust account. Action Cllr Hood-Williams

Letter received from HMRC and agree to contact HMRC and pay the proposed by Cllr Dennis and seconded by Cllr Evans.

The clerk stated that the Rural anchor fund grant has been successful and that the grant will be paid in arrears. Council agreed to ring fence £15K for the solar project

Grants Awards

Cllr Hood-Williams and Cllr Smart left the room having declared interests in CDSA grant application.

Cllr Dennis took the chair and the CDSA grant applications for maintenance, for the Christmas lights and for the insurance were all approved. Councillors stated that the facility was marvellous for the community

The clerk was also asked to investigate if we could have a single insurance policy for both the community council and the CDSA Action - Clerk

The grant application for the rainbows was approved by all councillors for £400

Cllr Dennis declared an interest in the playgroup grant application. The remaining councillors unanimously approved the grant application with the caveat that should the playgroup end then the community council would have the right of title to any equipment purchased

The personal grant for funding for a gym trip was turned down, whilst this is a fantastic achievement the grants are for community and not as personal grants.

The PTA grant application for £1000 for a sensory area to be created for STF was unanimously approved by all councillors

The chapel grant application to provide a warm hub again this winter was approved at £1540. Councillors stated that this was a good facility for the village and this was unanimously approved.

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<u>9.0 Community Communication, Events and Website</u>		
<u>9.1 Communication</u>		
<p>Cllr Evans and Cllr Gallagher to speak to Kevin White to bring the web site up to date. We need to add to the web site that the defibs have been paid for by community council.</p>		
<u>9.2 Events</u>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hog roast – the clerk is to agree the date with the school PA. – ACTION: - Cllr Smart • Discuss the marquee hire, planning meeting to be arranged in January. – deferred to January 		
<u>10.0 CAPTIAL PROJECTS</u>		
<p>Car Park Project. Some progress on the land matters, Eason estate have sent an email to the clerk claiming land ownership and have offered to donate to the community.</p>		
<u>11.0 Governance Review</u>		
N/A		
<u>13.0 CITY COUNCIL MATTERS</u>		
<p>Workmen at Coed Lan for CCS, we had received complaints of abusive comments and not cleaning up (R&M are the contractors.) Action: - Cllr Hood Williams to follow up with CCS</p> <p>Cllr Male had received a complaint about the path between Coed Lan and Joiners PH, trees are overgrowing and need to be cleared.</p>		PHW
<u>13.0 Planning Matters</u>		
No planning applications to discuss this month.		
<u>14.0 DELEGATES REPORTS</u>		
OVW Meeting attended by Cllr Hood-Williams and Cllr Male		
<u>15.0 FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS</u>		

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	No comments	
	<u>16.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u>	
	Next meeting 18th January 2024 @ 7.30pm Closed at 21:40	
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