



Minutes of Community Council Meeting
at Three Crosses Community Centre
on Thursday, 16th January 2025
at 7.30pm

PRESENT:

Community Councillor

Cllr Warren Smart

Cllr Debbie Male

Community Councillor

Cllr Paul Dennis

Cllr Beverly Evans

Cllr Daniel Jones

Clerk: Cllr W Smart (Temp)

Meeting commenced 7:36pm

Cllr Warren Smart, Vice Chair of the Community Council presiding

	ITEM	ACTION
1.0	<u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u>	
258	Meeting commenced at 7: 36pm The Vice Chair welcomed all to the meeting.	
2.0	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>	
259	Cllr Paxton Hood-Williams Cllr Annie Gallagher	
3.0	<u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREJUDICIAL INTEREST</u>	
260	none	
4.0	<u>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS</u>	
261	The minutes of the monthly meeting held on 21st Nov 2024 were unanimously approved, proposed by Cllr Jones and seconded by Cllr Evans with the following amendments Item 244 spend total removed as not correct. Item 230 Hedge alongside no1 should read hedge alongside no 3	
5.0	<u>MATTERS ARISING</u>	
262	Village Green Planter Refurbishment Discussed the option to use railway sleepers as an alternative but decided to continue with recycled plastic, additional quotes are needed as the delivery cost is currently excessive. Action: - Additional quotes required for recycled plastic products.	PD

263	Cars driving over the village green The council position is that there is no right of way to drive across the village green. The Clerk is to write to the resident detailing the council's position. ACTION: - Clerk to write to the residents informing them that there is no right of way over the village green	WS
264	Council Tax The Community Centre needs to be re-registered as council tax exempt building. The village trust needs to make this application. A village trust meeting is to be undertaken ACTION: - Clerk to progress with Cllr Hood-Williams	WS/PHW
265	Critical Bleed packs The clerk has been in correspondence with The Heatbeat Trust, the bleed packs have been purchased and The Heatbeat Trust are going to install the bleed packs.	
266	Hedges The clerk has contacted the contractor regarding laying of the 2 hedges, this work is to be done in February	WS
267	Maintenance Contract This is due for renewal. Not progressed in the period. ACTION:- Clerk to progress	WS
268	Community Centre Car Park A quote has been obtained to scrape the surface of the grasscrete car park at the community centre. Second quote has been requested and the council is awaiting this quote before progressing.	PD
269	Community Centre Heating guards ordered and fitted.	
270	Village green Letter not yet issued to residents, more green waste fly tipping in the month. Clerk to write to residents	WS
271	Website Clerk to contact Kevin white	WS
6.0	<u>Clerks Report/Community Matters</u>	

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271	Broadband Contract BT have taken a direct debit for £5.99/month under the old account, but not taken the direct debit for the current account. the clerk has contacted BT who have agreed to waive any fines for non payment of bills under the current contract and to refund the money debited incorrectly. A price has also been quoted by BT for 2no wifi discs of £8-10 each.	
272	Electrical Contract The last bill received and paid was for 16th to 26th October. The clerk has taken meter readings and contacted the supplier Octopus. A bill for the period 27th Oct to 5th Jan is to be paid by direct debit in January. The total use for Nov/Dec 2024 compared with Nov/Dec 2023 is 1000Kwh less so demand on the grid has reduced by 40%. Cllr Dennis queries the credit from the supplier, no credit has been detailed on the bill The clerk is to follow up with Octopus	WS
273	Play group equipment An email has been received from a resident querying the stock and material currently held by the playgroup Clerk is to reply stating all stock and material is new and belongs to the current group	WS
274	Play area The zip line seat needs to be reattached to the carriage assembly. The clerk has contacted the zipline supplier and they can assist us. Action:- clerk to find the zip line seat from within the stores and then to contact the supplier to replace and test.	WS
275	Active Travel Path Emails supporting TC58 becoming an active travel path were submitted by members of the public in December. Swansea council are aware of our requirement for this path to be upgraded. No further action at this time	WS
276	Salary Salay backpayment for 2024 was completed in December and was subject to tax and NI. Councillors queried if NI was due to be paid. Clerk to follow up with HMRC	
277	<u>Removal of Trees at The Community Centre</u> A quote has been provided to remove the fir trees at the community centre. Additional quotes are required before progressing. Clerk to provide the scope detail to Cllr Jones who will contact another supplier. Clerk to contact the councils contractor	WS
		DJ/WS
<u>7.0</u>	<u>Governance Document Review</u>	
	None	

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8.0	<u>Sub-Committee Reports</u>	
	none	
9.0	<u>Community Events</u>	
278	<u>Fete 2025</u> The date for the 2025 fete is 21 st June as previously recorded. Quotes are required for the marquee, clerk to obtain this	ws
10	<u>Accounts for Payment/ Financial Matters</u>	
279	The clerk presented the accounts and the invoices for payment in the period. In summary:- • BT broadband • Electric bill • Maintenance contract monthly • Fire alarm testing • Salary and tax • Key cutting • Removal storm damaged branch • Painting the interior of the community centre • Fire guards The accounts were accepted for payment Proposed by Cllr Jones and seconded by Cllr Male and unanimously accepted Payments were made in Dec and Jan for items previously approved Income • The last payment of the Solar panel grant was received from CCS • The Swansea Spaces(warm hub) grant was received • The final precept payment for 24/25 was received	
11.0	<u>Community Communications and Website</u>	
280	Clerk to contact K White regrading payment for website	ws
12.0	<u>CAPTIAL PROJECTS</u>	
281	<u>Car park Project ref 9.16</u> No progress with Eaton estate registering the land, an alternative option is required. On hold until solar project is complete.	
282	<u>Solar Panel Project ref 9.17</u> Work is complete on the solar panel installation, changing the heaters and the inside lights, all under the Rural Anchor Grant.	

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283	Additional work has been completed on the internal painting and to provide new outside lights and CCTV. The noticeboards are to be upgraded, this is the only outstanding element <u>Village Benches Project Ref 9.14</u> The bench at Crwys farm is to be replaced, the council's maintenance contractor has quoted and this has been approved the work will be undertaken in march 2025.	WS
13.0	<u>Planning Matters</u>	
284	2024/2348-FUL Development at the rear of Crwys farm The council disussed this application with the following comments. The Council has concerns around the access to the site and the volume of traffic on Gowerton rd. The council is supportive of affordable property within the community The council would like to retain the ELM trees The council notes the access point to a future development detailed on the plan and would like a planning constraint with regard to future development.	WS
285	2025/0021/FUL 1, Coed Y Crwys Rear and side extension Application was discussed and there are no issues for the community council. Neutral comment to be submitted regarding the need for neighbours to be in agreement	WS
14.0	<u>FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS</u>	
286	Permissive Path from The Joiners to Bryn y Mor The hedges are growing over the path and a section of fence has blown down. Cllr Hood-Williams to progress this with CCS	PHW
287	Permissive path Coad lan to Tir Mynydd Rd Cars are using this path , the black gates are to be reinstated by CCS	PHW
15.0	<u>CITY COUNCIL MATTERS</u>	
	The council would like CCS to issue details of any roadworks in ward, Clerk to follow up with CCS	WS/PHW
16.0	<u>DELEGATES REPORTS</u>	
	None	
	<u>16.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u>	
	Next meeting 20th February 2025 Meeting Closed 21:55	

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Minutes approved at the council meeting
on 20th Feb 2025

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