**CRYNANT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 26th March 2015**

**1. APOLOGIES**

Mrs. K Pearson

Mrs. P Wood

Mr. P Shopland

Mr B Lewis

**2**. **REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE**

Community Councillors: Mr. R Miles (Chairman)

 Mr. B Michael

 Mrs. A Hart

 Mr. R Power

 Mr. M Evans

 Mr. R Evans (Clerk)

**3.** **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Community Councillors as per schedule of Councillor Interests held.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 5TH MARCH 2015**

The Minutes re: the full Council Meeting held on 5th March 2015.

Subject to the amendment to item 7 paragraph 4, referring to ‘waste’ instead of ‘soil’ and subject to the amendment to paragraph 2 of paragraph 12 from ‘posts were needed around the Centre playground’ to ‘ the gate post at the Centre playground should be cemented.’

Proposed accurate by: **AH** Seconded by: BM

No Objections No abstentions

5. **MATTERS ARISING**

 Mr Iwan Davies, Principal Solicitor in Neath Port Talbot Council informed the Clerk that the Solicitors for HAGS-SMP Ltd had confirmed that they would be claiming liability against the Council and also Neath Port Talbot Council. As a result Mr Davies stated that they would be representing the Borough Council and could, therefore, not be able to represent the Community Council.

 As a result **RM**, **PS** and the Clerk met and decided that a meeting be held with the chosen solicitors , Hutchinson Thomas Solicitors and **RM** and the Clerk met with Peter Morgan, Solicitor and provided relevant papers.

**6. POLICE REPORT**

 CPSO Strangward was on leave but had forwarded crime figures up to 20th March 2015, which included :-

 One caution given for a drug offence in Lewis Road including a cannabis seizure. Some concern was raised among Councillors that only a caution had been given in the case.

 Four thefts from vans, one in Mary Street and three in Heol Las Fawr, regarding which there hasn’t been any suspects found, and one case of violence against a person in Llys Dulais, where a person had been arrested.

**7.** **COUNTY COUNCILLOR PEARSON**

Due to Karen Pearson’s lengthy illness it was felt that provisions should be made so that matters relevant to the Council are known. **RM** said he would contact Councillor Peter Rees and also members from the Dulais Valley, if needed. . **BM** referredto the work that had been undertaken in Golwg Y Graig regarding street lighting following the intervention by Councillor Pearson, but that the work had been subsequently moved to another part of the road without being completed .

**8.** **REPORTS**

 There were no reports

**9.** **FINANCE REPORT (HT)**

 Bank Balances as at 31st March 2015

 Community Council: £ 29,721

 Savings Account: £ 2,796

 Community Association: £ 5,976

 **Total : £ 38,493**

Authorisation : £ 5,897

 **Total : £ 32,596**

 **10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

 Application Number P2015/0244

 Applicants Name/Address Mr & Mrs Thomas

 8 School Road

 Crynant

 Neath

 SA10 8NR

 Site Location: 8 School Road

 Crynant

 Neath

 SA10 8NR

 Proposed Development: Single Storey rear extension

 Easting: 279462 Northing: 205105

 Town and Country Planning Act 1990

 Observations: Nil

**10. AUTHORISATIONS**

 **Community Council - March 2015**

 Barclays Bank (DD) £ 2.00

 Payment for Public Toilet £ 201.59

 HMRC (February) £ 259.15

 E G Nicholas £ 743.53

 B Michael £ 28.00

 R Evans £ 448.95

 One Voice Affiliation £ 248.00

 NPT Sports Affiliation £ 10.00

 **Total: £1,941.22**

 Payments Proposed: **RP** Payments Seconded: **ME**

 Abstentions: **Nil** Objections: **Nil**

 **Community Association: March 2015**

 HMRC £ 17.80 (Feb)

 M Green (Plumber repair) £ 49.60

 Printer cartridges £ 43.98

 Radiators £ 65.56

 Powerkits (TV repairs) £ 50.00

 British Gas £2,730.58

 Radiator Repair £ 40.00

 I Sadler £ 805.73

 EON (DD) £ 93.00

 BVS Supplies £ 59.99

 **Total: £3,956.24**

 Payments proposed: **RP** Payments seconded: **ME**

Abstentions: **NIL** Objections: **NIL**

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

 A letter was received from Cor Dathlu Cwmtawe Male Choir made up of

 choristers from the Swansea , Dulais and Swansea valleys and from the

 the City and County of Swansea and Neath Port Talbot Borough.

 The choir were planning a singing tour to New York and Pennsylvania

 and the estimated cost of the tour was about £78,000 and financial

 assistance was requested from the Council.

 After consideration it was **AGREED** that in the current circumstances

 and in view of the Council’s usual procedure to consider applications for

 financial assistance for payment each November, that the application be

 not approved.

**12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

 The Rugby Club were requiring a further meeting regarding the new proposed Lease of the grounds , following advice received from their Solicitor concerning the terms of the lease.

 **ME** proposed that the rugby club provide a copy of the advice given by

 their solicitor to the Council members for consideration.

 **BM** stated that a new block was required in Maes Yr Hendre. It was **AGREED** to seek a contractor to undertake the work.

 **RP** had been made aware of substantial funds which had been accrued by the former Crynant Junior Rugby over a number of years who wished the existing money to be utilized in ways which will provide benefits in Crynant. The Community Council have been asked , along with other others , to suggest projects. **AGREED** that the matter would be included in the next meeting.

 **ME** had measured the land off Neath Road (reference : Council meeting Minutes of 29th January 2015) with a view to its reclaiming by the Council. It was proposed by **ME** and **RP** that Spic’n Span provide a quote to restore the land back.

**Meeting Closed At 8.30 pm**

**DATE OF NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING ON THURSDAY,**

**26th March 2015 COMMENCING at 7.00 PM**

**AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE WOODLAND ROAD CRYNANT.**

Minutes Proposed as accurate: Seconded:

Abstentions: Objections:

Signed: Chairman Date: