

TIERS CROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR CYMUNED TIERS CROSS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 4th MARCH 2016

Members present. Cllr's C. George, (Vice Chair) A. Thorne, B. Bullimore, S. Yates, M. Rawlinson,

Also present. Cllr K. Rowlands, (County Councillor) G. Nicholls (Retiring Clerk) C. Griffith (New Clerk)

Members of the Public. Rev. M. Spain, W. Roach, C. Thomas, (URC), J Thorne, A. Sharp, S Davies, R. Summons, J Davies, E. Johnson (Tiers Cross YFC)

Apologies. Cllr E. Jones

3748. The Vice Chair, Cllr C George welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially representatives of Tiers Cross United Reform Church and Tiers Cross Young Farmers Club, who were there to receive cheques on behalf of the Tiers Cross Community Solar Fund.

Cllr George presented a cheque to the value of £10,500 to the church and a cheque to the value of £9,132 to the Young Farmers Club.

Both the church and the Young Farmers warmly thanked the council for the generous donations.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2016 MEETING.

3749. Minutes of the February 2016 meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr Yates and seconded by Cllr Bullimore that they be accepted as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING.

3750. Defibrillator. It was agreed to discuss this matter further at the April meeting, when it would hopefully be known what funding was available.

3751. Bulford Road.

Cllr Bullimore said that he had spoken to Phil Legget, who had informed him that there money available to provide a footpath, etc, and that he had written to councillors informing them of this. Cllr Bullimore further stated that he felt that PCC should consult with Tiers Cross CC about such matters before making decisions and not after.

Cllr Rowlands said that he had spoken to an officer at Pembrokeshire County Council that day who had said that there was some confusion about the money. The money was intended for the Johnston end of Bulford Road, cycle path, etc. Cllr Rowlands said that he had asked PCC to notify Tiers Cross CC of any complaints regarding the road.

Cllr Bullimore mentioned that people walking on the Old Bulford Road had been abused by vehicle drivers.

Cllr Yates mentioned fly tipping.

Cllr Rowlands said he would speak to Darren Thomas and Phil Legget (PCC) and arrange a site visit.

3752. Meeting with Quarry Management.

Cllr Rowlands said that before arranging the meeting he would like to know what complaints there were to discuss. Cllr George mentioned traffic issues and flooding. Cllr Thorne said he had heard that stone was being imported into the quarry from other quarries. If this was true it would greatly increase the amount of traffic passing through the village.

It was agreed that the councillors would email their discussion points to the clerk who would pass it on to Cllr Rowlands.

3753. PCC Consultation Meeting.

Cllr Rowlands said that Johnston Community Council would inform Tiers Cross CC when they would be ready for the meeting.

3754. Memorial Garden.

Gareth Nicholls had reissued the minutes.

3755. Rare Plants.

Cllr Bullimore produced a map of council owned land where orchids grew, with photographs showing the flowers over the past few years. These would be shown the concerned resident.

3756. Pavement at Thornton.

Cllr Thorne said he had not heard any more about the matter. Cllr Rowlands said that a proposed pavement was not feasible at the moment.

3757. Rubbish on road between Tiers Cross and Bolton Hill Quarry.

The matter had been sorted. Cllr Rowlands gave an update on fly tipping and the two day closure of Winsel Tip.

REQUESTS FROM CHARITIES FOR DONATIONS

3758. Consideration of requests from charities.

Following a discussion on the criteria for donation to charities, it was proposed by Cllr Thorpe that the council did not support any of the requests. This was agreed by the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE.

3759. Planning. (Cllr Rowlands did not take part in these discussions)

15/1046/PA. Clean backwash tank, etc, Bolton Hill Water treatment works. No objection

15/1132/CL. Use of garden for siting a mobile home. No objection

15/1114/PA. Replacement of agricultural building, in retrospect, at Studdolph Hall. No objection.

15/1141/PA. New agricultural shed at Sunnyhill Farm. No objection.

15/1083/PA. Extension to existing free range chicken shed at Ratford Farm. No objection

Other Correspondence.

3760. email from Zurich Insurance – offer to provide quotation for next period of insurance. Noted.

3761. email from Clive Griffith – details of new email address for Tiers Cross Community Council. Noted.

3762. email from PCC -Renewable Energy Planning Guidance Consultation. Circulated to all councillors.

3763. email from Creative Play – details of Round Timber Range. Noted.

3764. email from PCC – Public Notice- Closure of Dale Road. Circulated to councillors.

3765. CAB – Information regarding Pension Wise. Notice board.

3766. Statutory Consultation – Secondary re-organisation in Haverfordwest. Councillors to respond personally.

3767. Welsh Government – Statutory Guidance for the well being of future generations (Wales) Act 2016. Noted

3768. Welsh Government. Local Government Ethical Framework. Noted. New code of conduct to be adopted at AGM. (Clerk to note)

3769. The Planning Inspectorate. Information re. future developments. Noted

FINANCE

3770. It was proposed by Cllr Thorpe and seconded by Cllr George that the following amounts should be paid.

£177.92 to the Clerk, March 2016 salary.

£44.40 to HMRC, March 2016 PAYE.

£73.65 to Gareth Nicholls. Expenses incurred in clerks duties.

MEMBERS REQUESTS

3771. Cllr Rawlinson said that vehicles parked in the vicinity of the garage were causing problems, with some being parked on the pavement and others reducing the width of the road, making it difficult for large vehicles to manoeuvre. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the owner of the garage pointing out the problems he was causing/

3772.C Griffith asked about the provision of a laptop and a mobile phone to the Clerk. It was agreed by the meeting to purchase a lap top for the use of the new clerk, to the value of £300, and a mobile phone for the clerks use at a cost of no more than £10 a month.

The Vice Chair, Cllr George, then thanked Gareth Nicholls for all his hard work during his time as clerk to the council and told him how much it was appreciated by the councillors. Cllr Rowlands also expressed the same sentiments in thanking Gareth.

The meeting closed at 10pm

Signed _____ Chairman

Date _____

MINUTES OF SOLAR FUND HELD ON THURSDAY 3rd MARCH 2016

SOLAR FUND

Solar Fund

The meeting then discussed the Solar Fund and G Nicholls explained the background to the fund. Cllr Thorne said that the fund should have a logo and he felt that there should be a plaque placed on the wall of the church car park when the car park had been resurfaced to show that the fund had provided the money.

It was agreed that a press release would be issued to cover the cheques issued tonight, and a further press release when both projects had been completed. Cllr Thorpe agreed to prepare a newsletter which would be finalised at the next meeting.

Educational grants were then discussed and it was agreed that the grants would be available for tertiary or vocational courses, with five hundred pounds a year being available over three years. Grants would be awarded annually in September. Grants would be available for persons 16 years and over.

The councillors then discussed Vocal Eyes Digital democracy and felt that it was not serving its purpose. The Clerk was instructed to write to the company cancelling the contract.

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Cllr Rowlands also echoed the same sentiments in thanking Gareth.

Gareth responded accordingly.

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