

Skenfrith Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held at The Village Hall, Cross Ash, on Monday, 15 April 2024 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs D Hughes-Jones, I Chandler, K Rockach, A Phillips, and V Diamond

Clerk: C Arvanitis

			Action
24	81	Apologies for absence Cllrs J Beavan and S Dickens	
24	82	Declarations of interest None	
24	83	Police report -No reports.	
24	84	Minutes of the meetings held on 18 March 2024 Approved and duly signed.	
24	85	Matters arising from the meeting held on 18 March 2024 -Cllr Chandler will resign in writing to the Chair and Clerk will contact returning officer to advertise for new councillor. -Cllr Chandler will check if tree felling in Skenfrith had planning permission. -CADW meeting in Skenfrith to be arranged.	CA IC
24	86	Planning applications DM/2024/00413, Winston Court, Winston Court Road, Llanvetherine, fast track listed building consent - urgent repairs to structure of former bakehouse – recommend approval.	CA
24	87	Planning decisions -DM/2024/00133, The Firs, Llantellen Road, Cross Ash, installation of an outdoor riding arena with a sand and fibre riding surface, timber post and rail fencing, no floodlighting, and a 14.5mt diameter horse exerciser for domestic use only – approved. -DM/2024/00142, Plas Ivor Hill House to Llymon Brook, Cross Ash, Conversion of traditional stone agricultural barn into residential dwelling – approved. -DM/2024/00302, The Pant Farm Hill House to Llymon Brook Cross Ash, Discharge of Condition 3 and 4 (Lighting Plan and Biodiversity Plan) relating to planning decision (DM/2022/01624) – approved. -DM/2024/00303, The Pant, Cross Ash, (LBC) discharge of conditions 4,8 9 (plan to show replacement glass front door, plan for finish to replacement window, biodiversity plan) relating to planning decision DM/2022/01626 – approved. -DM/2024/00313, Toads Hole Cottage, B4521 Trebella Farm to Skenfrith, demolition of existing single storey to create two storey extension to the east elevation – approved.	

24	88	<p>Accounts for payment</p> <p>Bank balance as of 28 March 2024 - £3,506.10</p> <p>The following payments were approved:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Chq no</th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Power to pay</th> <th>Budget pot</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>27</td> <td>HMRC</td> <td>£59.80</td> <td>LGA 1972 s112</td> <td>HMRC</td> </tr> <tr> <td>28</td> <td>Clerk's salary for March24</td> <td>£239.20</td> <td>LGA 1972 s111</td> <td>Clerk salary</td> </tr> <tr> <td>29</td> <td>Playworks Invoice 9224</td> <td>£20.00</td> <td>LGA 1972 s112</td> <td>Salary etc Payroll management by Playworks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>30</td> <td>Membership One Voice Wales</td> <td>£119.00</td> <td>Local Government (Miscellaneous provisions) Act 1976 s19</td> <td>Admin One Voice Wales membership</td> </tr> <tr> <td>31</td> <td>Vision ICT</td> <td>£276.00</td> <td>LGA 1972 s112</td> <td>New Website / IT / web- hosting</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>£714.00</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Chq no	Payee	Amount	Power to pay	Budget pot	27	HMRC	£59.80	LGA 1972 s112	HMRC	28	Clerk's salary for March24	£239.20	LGA 1972 s111	Clerk salary	29	Playworks Invoice 9224	£20.00	LGA 1972 s112	Salary etc Payroll management by Playworks	30	Membership One Voice Wales	£119.00	Local Government (Miscellaneous provisions) Act 1976 s19	Admin One Voice Wales membership	31	Vision ICT	£276.00	LGA 1972 s112	New Website / IT / web- hosting			£714.00			
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24	89	<p>Cross Ash village hall community engagement event</p> <p>-Cllr Chandler has prepared an area map for the event.</p> <p>-Clerk to email A4 version of community engagement survey link, with QR code if possible, as well as copy of questionnaire.</p> <p>-Clerk to email title of Skenfrith Community Council on A4 for the Council's table.</p> <p>-Cllrs Hughes-Jones, Chandler and Diamond will attend the event.</p>	CA																																			
24	90	<p>Village Life project</p> <p>-Council are keen to provide a grant to this project if they are able to support the defibs in the Skenfrith area. Clerk to investigate.</p>	CA																																			
24	91	<p>Annual report 2023-24</p> <p>-Clerk to prepare draft and check printing costs.</p>	CA																																			
24	92	<p>Clerk's report</p> <p>-Asset list to be investigated and confirmed. Cllr Rockach to take photos of names on Skenfrith war memorial (to be logged by clerk).</p> <p>-Resident request to hear about plans for celebrating 200th birthday of B4521 (clerk to respond that Council has no plans).</p> <p>-Audit 2024 to be completed (including use of internal auditor).</p> <p>-Insurance quotes discussed and resolved to use Community First.</p> <p>-Clerk to check Whitecastle Community Council's involvement with D Day flag of peace.</p> <p>-Resident survey to continue until 12 May.</p> <p>-One Voice Wales Area Committee, all councillors to consider if they would like to be a Skenfrith representative.</p>	KR CA																																			

24	93	Other reports -Cllr Chandler to check prices for talk by Friends of Lower Wye.	IC
24	94	Correspondence None	
24	95	Highway matters -Cross Ash ditches (road outside Cross Ash Farm leading to Llanllwyd Farm) full and flood onto roads. -Drain on Lint Hill still full (Cllr Rockach to send photos).	CA KR
24	96	Urgent items (for next meeting) None	
23	97	Date of next meeting (and annual meeting) 20 May 2024, 7.30pm, Cross Ash village hall.	

Meeting closed 9.00pm