



# Skenfrith Community Council

## Cyngor Cymuned Ynysgynwraidd

### Minutes of the meeting held at The Village Hall, Cross Ash, on Monday, 17 March 2025 at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllrs D Hughes Jones, K Rockach, A Phillips, S Dickins and V Diamond

**Clerk:** C Arvanitis

			Action
25	236	<b>Apologies for absence</b> -Cllr J Bevan, and County Cllr I Chandler	
25	237	<b>Declarations of interest</b> -None.	
25	238	<b>Police report</b> -05/02/25 – Report of a break in - stable in Llantilio Crossenny, various items taken including a DeWalt radio. -05/02/25 – Report of a burglary, 3 containers entered but nothing reported as stolen. -10/02/25 – Report of a theft of 1 tonne of logs from Tal-y-Coed. -Officers made an arrest of a male for large-scale theft and handling of stolen goods, items seized include leaf blowers, chainsaws and disc cutters. Investigations on-going. Items seized will be advertised for victims to claim.	
25	239	<b>Minutes of the meeting held on 17 February 2024</b> Approved and duly signed.	
25	240	<b>Matters arising from the meeting held on 17 February 2025</b> -Waiting for dates for meeting with Cross Ash School Head. Clerk to check again. -Cllr Diamond will look into becoming a Governor at Cross Ash School.	CA VD
25	241	<b>Planning applications</b> -DM/2025/00146, New Inn Farm Barn, Heald Road, Cross Ash, variation of condition 2 for extant planning decision, DC/2006/00364 to make amendments to approved plans – <b>no objections</b> . -DM/2025/00261, Graig House, Cross Ash, LBC- reinstate doorway between drawing dining room. Remove modern stud wall to reinstate layout and original door location to bedroom 1 – <b>no objections</b> . -DM/2025/00193, Rock Cottage, Caggle Street, Llanvetherine, discharge of conditions 1 (details of soft and hard landscape works) and 3 (schedule of landscape maintenance) of planning consent DM/2023/01001 – <b>no objections</b> .	CA
25	242	<b>Planning decisions</b> -DM/2024/01309, Ty Deri Barn, Ty Deri Farm, B4521 Pont Gilbert to Hill House, Llanvetherine, proposed new detached garage area and garden store building – approved.	



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25	243	<div><b>Accounts for payment</b></div> <div>-Bank balance as of 27 February 2025 - £9,306.35</div> <div>-The following payments were approved:</div> <table><tr><td>Chq no</td><td>Payee</td><td>Amount</td><td>Power to pay</td><td>Budget pot</td></tr><tr><td>67</td><td>HMRC February</td><td>£62.40</td><td>LGA 1972 s112</td><td>Salary / payroll - HMRC</td></tr><tr><td>68</td><td>Clerk salary February</td><td>£249.20</td><td>LGA 1972 s111</td><td>Salary / payroll – clerk salary</td></tr><tr><td>69</td><td>Playworks Inv 9746</td><td>£20.00</td><td>LGA 1972 s112</td><td>Admin - Playworks</td></tr><tr><td>70</td><td>One Voice Wales 25-26 subscription</td><td>£126.00</td><td>LGA 1972 s112</td><td>Admin – One Voice Wales membership</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>£457.60</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>				Chq no	Payee	Amount	Power to pay	Budget pot	67	HMRC February	£62.40	LGA 1972 s112	Salary / payroll - HMRC	68	Clerk salary February	£249.20	LGA 1972 s111	Salary / payroll – clerk salary	69	Playworks Inv 9746	£20.00	LGA 1972 s112	Admin - Playworks	70	One Voice Wales 25-26 subscription	£126.00	LGA 1972 s112	Admin – One Voice Wales membership			£457.60			CA
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25	244	<div><b>Street lighting switch-off times</b></div> <div>Clerk to check lighting policy for Skenfrith Community Council area.</div>				CA																														
25	245	<div><b>Clerk’s report</b></div> <div>-It was agreed to continue having meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month but to split this between Cross Ash and Skenfrith village halls. No meetings to take place in August or December.</div> <div>-It was agreed to continue with our 3 year insurance agreement with Community Insurance (underwritten by Zurich). Approval was given to pay £224.18 for 2025-26.</div> <div>-Approval was given to use Graham Boulton for 24-25 internal audit.</div> <div>-Consideration of grant to PTFA for Stay and Play and iPads (along with Whitecastle and Grosmont) – clerk to check for further details.</div>				CA																														
25	246	<div><b>Other reports</b></div> <div>-Cllr Rockach is progressing research into mobile signal improvement in Skenfrith.</div> <div>-Village Life fundraiser will be held in August.</div>																																		
25	247	<div><b>Correspondence</b></div> <div>MCC, Media Release: MCC reviews 20mph speed limits based on residents' feedback</div> <div>MCC, Expression of interest request for Sustrans Quiet-lanes pilot study</div> <div>MCC, Media Release: Monmouthshire County Council receive 2025/26 settlement from the Welsh Government.</div> <div>MCC, Media Release: Monmouthshire County Council Final Budget for 2025/26</div>																																		



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25	248	<b>Highway matters</b> -Dawn of Day road (between B4521 and B4347), remains of burnt caravan to be removed.	CA
25	249	<b>Urgent items (for next meeting)</b> None	
25	250	<b>Date of next meeting</b> -28 April 2025, 7.30pm, Cross Ash village hall.	

Meeting closed 8.25pm