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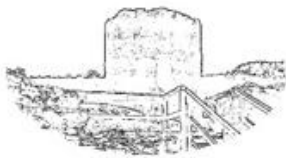
Minutes of the meeting held at The Village Hall, Cross Ash, on Monday, 20 July 2026 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs D Hughes Jones, A Phillips, A Elkins, V Diamond, N Gholami and J Beavan

Clerk: C Arvanitis

Also present: Angie Hardy – Skenfrith Village Hall

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2607	01	Apologies for absence -Cllr S Dickins and County Cllr I Chandler.	
2607	02	Declarations of interest None	
2607	03	Police report -16/05/26 – Report of suspicious incident where torch light could be seen in the old mill in Skenfrith. Officers attended but did not see anything suspicious. 01/06/26 – Report from South Wales Fire and Rescue Service informing police of a tractor fire on the B4233. No police involvement. 14/06/26 – Report of a break into a barn in Newcastle where 2 quad bikes and a strimmer were taken. 15/06/26 – Report of a theft of rings from a property in Llangattock Lingoed.	
2607	04	County Council report -None received.	
2607	05	Minutes of the meeting held on 15 June 2026 Approved and duly signed.	
2607	06	Matters arising from the meeting held on 15 June 2026 -None	
2607	07	Planning applications -DM/2026/00796, Hazelfield Stables, Great Park Road, Llanvetherine, siting of two shepherd huts for leisure and holiday accommodation – recommend approval. -DM/2026/00682, Liberty View, Llanvetherine, removal of existing plastic conservatory. Adding side extension in materials to match existing – defer to identify location. -DM/2026/00840, Cross Ash Farm, Cross Ash to Wayne Green, Cross Ash, prior approval for Steel Portal Frame building – recommend approval.	CA
2607	08	Planning decisions -None	



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2607	09	Bank reconciliation and accounts for payment -The following bank reconciliation was approved. <table><tr><td>Balance in bank at 30.6.26</td><td>£23,246.08</td></tr><tr><td>Net opening balance at 1.4.26</td><td>£19,501.95</td></tr><tr><td>Receipts to end May</td><td>£5,747.79</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>£25,259.74</td></tr><tr><td>Payments to end June</td><td>£2,003.66</td></tr><tr><td>Closing account balance at end June</td><td>£23,246.08</td></tr></table> -The following payments for July were approved: <table><tr><td>Chq no</td><td>Payee</td><td>Amount</td><td>Power to pay</td><td>Budget pot</td></tr><tr><td>203</td><td>Graham Boulton – internal auditor</td><td>£75.00</td><td>LGA 1972 s111</td><td>Admin and Office – Internal audit</td></tr><tr><td>204</td><td>Playworks July Invoice 10652</td><td>£20.00</td><td>LGA 1972 s112</td><td>Admin – Playworks</td></tr><tr><td>205</td><td>HMRC July</td><td>£64.40</td><td>LGA 1972 s111</td><td>Salary / payroll - HMRC</td></tr><tr><td>206</td><td>Clerk salary July</td><td>£257.20</td><td>LGA 1972 s111</td><td>Salary / payroll – Clerk salary</td></tr><tr><td>207</td><td>Audit Wales – ARINV/015647</td><td>£239.52</td><td>LGA 1972 s111</td><td>Admin and Office – External audit</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>£656.12</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	Balance in bank at 30.6.26	£23,246.08	Net opening balance at 1.4.26	£19,501.95	Receipts to end May	£5,747.79	Total	£25,259.74	Payments to end June	£2,003.66	Closing account balance at end June	£23,246.08	Chq no	Payee	Amount	Power to pay	Budget pot	203	Graham Boulton – internal auditor	£75.00	LGA 1972 s111	Admin and Office – Internal audit	204	Playworks July Invoice 10652	£20.00	LGA 1972 s112	Admin – Playworks	205	HMRC July	£64.40	LGA 1972 s111	Salary / payroll - HMRC	206	Clerk salary July	£257.20	LGA 1972 s111	Salary / payroll – Clerk salary	207	Audit Wales – ARINV/015647	£239.52	LGA 1972 s111	Admin and Office – External audit			£656.12			CA
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2607	10	Skenfrith flood fund -Cllr Elkins to circulate email or letters (based on draft sent by clerk) to residents / businesses affected by the floods explaining fund and requesting response. If residents do not wish to receive monies individually or do not respond, the Council resolved to pay £4,500 to the Skenfrith Flood Fund.	AE																																															
2607	11	Skenfrith summer visitor impact -Cllr Elkins to contact MCC and CADW re litter bins.	AE																																															
2607	12	Annual report 2025-26 -The Council approved the Annual report. Clerk to put on website and bring hard copies for circulation at September meeting.	CA																																															
2607	13	Llanvetherine notice board -Repairs are in hand.	DHJ																																															
2607	14	Clerk's report -Clerk to investigate whether meetings can be held in churches. -Clerk to provide information to Cllr Gholami re joining the One Voice Wales area committee. -Clerk to prepare and circulate grant policy. -Clerk to send out grant applications to churches in the area for churchyard maintenance.	CA																																															
2607	15	Other reports																																																



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		-Cllr Diamond attended Cross Ash School governors meeting. -Cllrs Hughes Jones and Diamond attended Cross Ash Hall AGM.	
2607	16	Correspondence -MCC, New dates: Active Travel Network Map consultation drop-ins happening in July -MCC, TTRO Consultation- 15th July- 21st July 2026 -MCC, Let's Talk Community- PPA Response -OVW, Achievements of Community and Town Councils across Wales	
2607	17	Highway matters -Nothing to report.	
2607	18	Urgent items (for next meeting) -None	
2607	19	Date of next meeting -21 September 2026, 7.30pm, Skenfrith village hall.	

Meeting closed 20.40