**LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD 3rd March 2025**

**AT THE CONQUERING HERO COMMUNITY CENTRE**

# PRESENT

Chairman: Mrs M. Smith

Councillors: P. Davies, R. Cragg, R. Hughes, A. Jones, J. Pickett, D. Walton, and the Clerk.

**APOLOGIES**

Cllrs. J. Evans, S. Evans & County Cllr. K. Edwards

**25/4302 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

# 25/4303 COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

Although not present at the meeting, County Cllr. K. Edwards messaged that she has been made aware of parking issues at Llidiart Annie. She proposed approaching officers to explore option of painting white line parking bays in the parking area to try and define parking spaces more clearly. This proposal was agreed by the Council. It was noted that, given the layout, a lengthways parking bay is needed at either end. The Council asks that County Cllr. K. Edwards could stress this need to the officers.

Action: Clerk to notify County Cllr. K. Edwards of the Council’s decision.

**25/4304 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes were approved as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Jones.

Seconded by Cllr. P. Davies.

**25/4305 MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM**

Further to discussions about the wall at Bryntsylio, the state of the wall remains a concern, but that this is an issue for Denbighshire County Council and Bryntysilio to resolve.

# 25/4306 FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Accounts for payment.

Room hire fees paid:

£150 to Cymdeithas Y Cwm for the hire of The Conquering Hero Community Centre

£150 to Pentredŵr Community Council for the hire of the Pentredŵr Community Centre.

There will be an additional cost in March as two Clerk salaries for February will be paid.

1. To approve the Monthly Budget.

The Budget was approved as a correct record.

1. Cemetery Fees: To approve proposed changes to Cemetery fees

It was previously agreed [September 2024] to raise the fee for interment of an urn in an existing grave from £250 to £500 for all other persons. It was agreed that this fee was too high. The proposal that the *"Interment of urn in existing grave" should revert back to £250 and the "Area allotted for the burial of ashes" non-local should increase to £250*, was agreed.

Action: Clerk to update Cemetery Fees.

1. Bank account Signatories:
* Approve resolution for new Clerk to be a signatory

A resolution to approve the new Clerk was proposed by Cllr. R. Hughes, and seconded by Cllr. M. Smith. It was agreed that the new Clerk should be a signatory on the Council’s bank account.

* Choose Councillor Signatories

It was agreed that the other signatories to the Council’s bank account should be Cllr. M. Smith, Cllr. R. Cragg, and, provisional on her consent, Cllr. J. Evans.

It was also agreed that, if possible, the Council should change the mandate so that only two signatories are needed.

Action: Clerk to message Cllr. J. Evans, in her absence, to ask if she is willing to act as a signatory. Cllr. M. Smith and the Clerk will seek to visit HSBC in person with appropriate I.D. to set up the new mandate, and to pursue online banking.

1. Other financial matters.

It was agreed to fund a mobile smartphone for the Clerk, on a pay as you go basis, at a cost of

c. £70.

**25/4307 CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

 The Council has received a request from One Voice Wales to ask whether the Council practices General Powers of Competence. The Chair briefly outlined the nature of such powers. It was agreed that the Council does not hold, nor does it practice, such powers.

Action: Clerk to inform One Voice Wales of the Council’s status.

# 25/4308 PLANNING MATTERS

1. Application 27/2025/0042/PF.

Maes Y Llyn, Llantysilio, Llangollen, Denbighshire, LL20 8DD: Erection of a building over an existing farm yard to provide a roof:

No objections were raised

1. Telephone kiosk at Abbey Grange:

Signs have appeared stating that the kiosk will be removed. The Council asks what is the rationale for this? It is an area that attracts tourists, and has an unreliable mobile phone signal. There is also a heritage impact. Costs are minimal as a local volunteer looks after the upkeep of the kiosk, including cleaning, painting and replacing damaged glass.

Action: Clerk to write to Denbighshire Planning Department to state the Council’s desire to retain both the kiosk and the working phone.

**25/4309 PROPOSED NATIONAL PARK**

The Clerk shared a request from Llanfair DC Community Council for a virtual meeting of Council representatives from the various community and town councils that fall within the boundary of the proposed new National Park, in the hope of eliciting a joint multi-community response. The Council is interested, but would much prefer an in-person meeting.

Action: Clerk to convey Council’s response to Clerk of Llanfair DC Community Council.

**25/4310 COMMUNITY PROBLEMS**

The overhanging fence / hedge at Abbey Dingle Nursing Home is a cause for concern. Fence posts are overhanging the highway.

Action: Clerk to notify DCC Highways Department.

**25/4311 Report on Bryntysilio Meeting**

The meeting was instructive, and the ambitious plans for Brynstysilio were shared with the Council.

**25/ 4312 COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Cllr. P. Davies stated that the electric cable in the cemetery needs to be clearly marked on the plans.

Action: Cllr. P. Davies to discuss with Scottish Power.

**25/4313 CLERK’S REPORT**

A request has been received through Mossfords Stonemason with regards a memorial for an existing ashes burial plot. The family requests an 18” x 18” memorial stone [the Clerk shared an image of a similar stone] but the Cemetery regulations states a maximum size of 18” x 12”. The stonemason claims that he has visited the cemetery and that the majority of such ashes memorial stones are 18” x 18”. The Council agreed to the stonemason’s request, but with the proviso that his claim of existing ashes memorial stone size is accurate.

Action: Clerk to contact Mossfords Stonemason, and to update the cemetery regulations.

Clerk confirmed that Sandra Baker has contacted Chris Morris in regards to the cemetery path.

# 25/4314 CORRESPONDENCE

Relevant emails forwarded to members.

**25/4315 MATTERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

Jack Parry, the Moorland Field Officer, has accepted the Council’s invitation to meet and discuss plans for Llantysilio Mountain. He will attend the next meeting on April 7th.

**There being no other business the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.**