**LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD 12th May 2025**

**AT THE PENTREDŴR COMMUNITY CENTRE**

# PRESENT

Chairman: Mrs M. Smith

Councillors: R. Cragg, A. Jones, J. Evans, R. Hughes, J. Pickett,

County Cllr. K Edwards and the Clerk.

**APOLOGIES**

Cllrs. P. Davies, S. Evans, D. Walton

**25/4330 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

The Clerk reminded the Council that, by law, a Register of Members Interests needs to be published on the Council’s website. All Councillors present completed a Notification of Interests.

Action: Clerk to contact remaining Councillors and invite them to complete a Notification of Interests. Once completed, the Clerk will upload a Register of Members Interests on the Council’s website.

# 25/4331 COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

County Cllr. K. Edwards stated that she will attend as many meetings as possible, but her attendance can not be guaranteed at every meeting due to her extensive workload, but she urged the Council to get in touch with any relevant issues.

Work continues on Newbridge Road [B5605] which will have repercussions, especially for the road near Tŷ Du. Over 7000 cubic metres of stone needs to be transported from the quarry to Newbridge. This will require over 600 lorry loads of heavy stone to pass along the road. DCC are not introducing weight restrictions on the road. County Cllr K. Edwards has contacted Highways Dept. to raise concern about further damage to the road, especially as an alternative, albeit slower, route is available.

County Cllr. K. Edwards also informed that:

* DCC has updated Members’ Portfolios.
* That the road through Pentredŵr is due for resurfacing.
* Barrier at Horseshoe Pass Car Park that was damaged has been sent for repair.

 It was suggested that a *No-turning* sign could be displayed.

Cllr. R. Cragg asked if all the gulleys have been mapped by DCC, and if such a map is available?

Action: County Cllr. K. Edwards to enquire.

Cllr. R Hughes asked about the cost of the traffic lights by Tŷ Du.

Action: County Cllr. K. Edwards to enquire.

**25/4332 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes were approved as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Evans

Seconded by Cllr. R. Cragg

**25/4333 MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM**

It was agreed that an invitation should be extended to a representative of Severn Wye Energy Agency to attend a forthcoming Council meeting.

Action: Clerk to send invite to a representative of Severn Wye Energy Agency to attend a forthcoming Council meeting.

# 25/4334 FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Accounts for payment.

£612.00 paid to Audit Wales for 2022-23 Audit.

£273.00 paid to Audit Wales for 2023-24 Audit.

£1410.28 paid to Clear Council Insurance to pay council’s insurance premium; Buildings cover raised to £10,000 and regalia cover for £4000 now included.

1. To approve the Monthly Budget.

The Budget was approved as a correct record.

1. To approve the 2024-25 accounts.

The Council examined and approved the annual accounts for 2024-25. Cllr. M. Smith, as Chairman, signed the accounts as evidence of approval.

1. Other financial matters.

Agreed to raise daily limit on online banking from £1000 to £1500.

Arrangement for paying Microsoft 365 subscription agreed.

 Proposed by Cllr. J. Evans.

Seconded by Cllr. R. Hughes.

**25/4335 CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

Risk Assessments for 2025 complete.

Issues raised:

* Birch tree overhanging bus shelter by Conquering Hero needs cutting back.
* Composting bins have plastic and rubbish mixing with composting materials.
* Latch on bottom gate of Cemetery needs replacing.
* Grass needs strimming around benches. Seat at Llandynan overgrown.
* Salt bin near Cemetery is full of rubbish.

Action: Agreed that issue of the salt bin, and whether it should be removed, should be discussed at next meeting.

* Telephone kiosk is very untidy / unsightly, with books etc strewn around.
* Notice board at Abbey Terrace starting to rot. Notice board at Eglwys in very poor state with loose post, missing one Perspex pane with the other being fogged up.

Action: Chair to seek quote for repairs to notice boards.

 Clerk to seek quote for all other issues noted.

# 25/4336 PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning matters.

**25/4337 CEMETERY**

No further issues, other than those noted in **25/4335 CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**.

**25/4338 COMMUNITY PROBLEMS**

* Road between Horseshoe Falls car park and Sun Rhewl needs sweeping, with all gulleys cleared.
* Children’s park at Llidiart Annie is in a poor state, and appears neglected.

Action: Clerk to contact DCC concerning both issues raised above, and to cc. County Cllr. K. Edwards.

* A number of reflector posts at Horseshoe Pass have been knocked off and need replacing.
* Drains at Yr Efail still need to be unblocked.

Action: Clerk to contact DCC concerning both issues raised above

**25/ 4339 BIODIVERSITY & ECOSYSTEMS REPORT**

Clerk reported that the Council needs to publish a Biodiversity & Ecosystems Report every 3 years, and that a report was now due. The previous Report was studied and updated.

Action: Clerk to publish 2025 Biodiversity & Ecosystems Report on the Council’s website.

**25/ 4340 TRAINING PLAN 2025-26**

The Clerk raised the issue of a Training Plan that needs to be agreed for 2025-26. An exemplar Training Plan was examined.

Action: Clerk to draw up draft Training Plan based on the Council’s needs and present to Councillors for approval.

**25/ 4341 COUNCILLORS REPORT**

No issues arising.

**25/4342 CLERK’S REPORT**

No further issues arising.

# 25/4343 CORRESPONDENCE

A request was made to the Council to establish a Geocache at the Horseshoe Pass.

Agreed that the Council could not sanction this as the Council is not the landowner.

Action: Clerk to issue reply.

Llanfair DC Community Council propose that the multi-Council meeting to discuss the proposed National Park be held at the Community Hub at Llysfasi on Wednesday May 21st at 7.00 pm. Cllrs. J. Evans and R. Hughes agreed to attend.

Action: Clerk to reply to Llanfair Clerk.

**25/4344 MATTERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

Salt bin at Cemetery

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