

LLANFAIR YN NEUBWLL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council's Meeting - 7.00 pm, Tuesday 18 February 2025

Present: Councillor Celfyn Furlong – Chairman

Councillors: Gwilym O. Jones, Siân Enfys Jones, Evan Wyn Robertson, Gareth Thomas and Dyfed Williams

Also Present: Mai Owen – Clerk/ RFO and County Cllr. Ken Taylor.

1. **Apologies:** Cllrs. Gordon Owen, Sharon Parry, Einir Thomas and William Victor Owen.
2. **Declaration of Interest** – declarations of personal interest:
Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones in item 4.2 Caergeiliog, Village Hall.
Cllr. K. Taylor - planning matters because of his position on the Planning Committee.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting**
Minutes of 21 January 2025 – Cllr. Celfyn Furlong queried the final sentence of para 4.2 - demolition of the old toilet block and the wording of para 8.4 -Towyn Trewan Board of Conservators. The Trustees's position in 4.2 was confirmed as correct and the concerns raised by Llanfaelog Community Council (8.4) were clarified. The amended minutes were accepted as being correct.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes.**
 - 4.1 Playing Field: The contractor was due to start painting the play equipment at the end of March with a view to finishing before the Easter School Holiday. Grass cutting would commence at the end of March.
 - 4.2 Village Hall: It was reported that:
 - 1) The tree that had fallen on to Môn Caravans property had been removed and the estimate for the removal of the other tree and repairs to the boundary had been sent to the Insureres as per their request.
 - 2) Môn Fire had already visited the building to assess the work of fitting a fire alarm but were yet to provide a price for doing so and Snowdonia Fire had still not attended despite several requests. Cllr. Celfyn Furlong offered to contact both.

Following further discussions it was agreed:

- 1) Not to take new bookings until a new alarm system was installed.
- 2) That the clerk would ask R G Hire to lay a new waterpipe from edge of the gateway to the rear of the hall.
- 3) To apply for a grant from Cymdeithas Elusennol Ynys Môn for a new gas central heating system. There were two estimates to hand and both contractors had advised that the boiler should be housed in the shed below the kitchen. An electricity supply would be required there, the clerk had requested a price for this.
- 4) To wait for the outcome of the insurance claim before removing the second fallen tree or carrying out work repairs on the boundary wall and fence.
- 5) To arrange for the bush growing at the rear of the chapel to be removed.
- 6) Not to persue the estimates for other work at this time

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4.3 Defibrillator Caergeiliog – this was ongoing.

4.4 Any other matter arising from the minutes:

1) Towyn Trewan Board of Conservators - Cllr. Celfyn Furlong confirmed that he had informed the Board of Conservators of the Council's Concerns about the lack of transparency and had arranged for the minutes of their meetings to be sent to the clerk. He told Members that a decision had been made to omit certain discussions from the minutes and that he would only share what was included in those minutes. It was confirmed that the Board had no indemnity insurance that would protect the Community Councils against legal action should their representatives make unwise decisions whilst serving on the Board. Any applications for legal costs would be made directly to IOACC.

2) It was noted that there were still a section of the A5 with no white lines in Caergeiliog – IOACC to be reminded of this.

5. Planning

5.1 Decision LUE 2024/26 The Battery House, Hunters Rise, Caergeiliog
Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for the existing use of a static caravan as a dwelling, and use of surrounding land as a residential curtilage - Lawful.

6. Financial Matters

The RFO submitted the financial report for the period from 1.1.2025 to 31.1. 2025 together with bank reconciliations, statements and copies of the accounts. Current Account £30694.48, Deposit Account £4081.97.

6.1 Donations – to be discussed next month.

6.2 Members Allowance - Members were reminded that in order to receive a tax free payment they would have to confirm in writing that they work from home on official duties as a Councillor and that they are not already claiming a tax allowance for home working expenses against another source of income. Anyone who did not wish to receive the allowance should forward written confirmation to the clerk.

6.3 Payments since last meeting: noted / agreed.

Salary (January.)	£353.07	British Gas	£110.92
R G Hire	£1320	T R Evans Hughes	£857
HMRC	£282.20	Members Allowance	£208

It was also agreed that the Clerk / RFO would pay any invoices received in respect of previously agreed expenditure.

7. Correspondence – the following were submitted and noted.

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- 7.1 One Voice Wales Training
- 7.2 One Voice Wales and Planning Aid Wales – Thursday 27 March from 10:00am to 1:30pm, remote via Zoom
- 7.3 One Voice Wales Annual General Meeting - Online on Tuesday 11 March 2025 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm
- 7.4 Post 16 Engagement – Members agreed that the favourite option was to have young people of 16 years of age educated in a central location on the Isle of Anglesey.
www.anglesey.gov.wales/post-16-education
- 7.5 Proposed Traffic Order – It was agreed that the proposed order to move the 20mph speed limit from beyond Bryn Ednyfed to nearer the village was acceptable.
- 7.6 Electoral Review Programme 2025
<https://www.dbcc.gov.wales/reviews/02-25/research-on-the-workload-of-county-councillors-in-wales>
- 7.7 Town and Community Councils Liaison Forum – presentations.

8 Member Reports

- 8.1 Cllr. Wyn Robertson asked about the possibility of having a bus shelter on Cymyran Road as the pupils travelling to Holyhead School were getting extremely wet each morning. It was noted that this issue had been discussed with the Highways Department in the past, unfortunately there was insufficient space to erect a shelter in that vicinity. The only available space was on the A5 opposite the Toll House, this that was on the wrong site of the highway for the school bus. It was suggested that another option could be to re route the bus so that it travelled to Llanfihangel yn Nhowyn via the A5 and returned along Cymyran Road on its journey to towards Holyhead. More information would be required about the bus route before taking this forward.

9. Next Meeting - 18 March 2025

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