

## LLANFAIR YN NEUBWLL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the Council's Meeting - 7.00 pm, Tuesday 21 January 2025

**Present:** Councillor Celfyn Furlong – Chairman

**Councillors:** Gwilym O. Jones, William Victor Owen, Sharon Parry, Evan Wyn Robertson, Einir Thomas, Gareth Thomas and Dyfed Williams

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

1. **Apologies:** Cllrs. Siân Enfys Jones and Gordon 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 19 November 2024 were accepted as being correct (Proposed Cllr. E. Thomas, seconded Cllr. E.W. Robertson.)

4. **Matters arising from the minutes.**

4.1 Playing Field: Nothing further to report but the clerk would ensure that the maintenance work would be done as soon as the weather improved and the surface was dry enough to allow vehicle access on to the site.

4.2 Village Hall:

The final lease document was now signed and T.R.Evan Hughes had made a formal application to H.M.Land Registry to register the lease - £100 fee to be paid for this. The work on the ramp was complete and the clerk confirmed that the Council had fully complied with the requirements of the grant award. She was now waiting for estimates for a new heating system and would follow up on any grants that could be available to assist with the rest of the refurbishment work.

Two large trees had fallen in the hall grounds, one was resting on the containers belonging to Môn Caravans the other was leaning over the old toilet block. The full extent of the damage wasn't clear but the insurers had been informed. Resolved: to accept a quotation of £1,100 plus VAT from R.G.Hire to remove the tree that was impacting on the neighbouring property and to carry out the work whether or not the insurers would pay. The clerk would request a second quote for the removal of the second tree as the original included the cost of demolishing the toilet block – the Trustees were keen to assess that structure before agreeing to it being demolished.

It was agreed to hold an open day as soon as the weather improved in April/May.

4.3 Defibrillator Caergeiliog – the clerk had purchased a defibrillator and IOACC had agreed to install it.

4.4 Any other matter arising from the minutes: none

5. **Planning**

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- 5.1 FPL/2024/345 Tyn Llan, Y Fali / Valley.  
Full application for the creation of a portal frame shed and roof structure over existing silage clamp – no objection.
- 5.2 Penderfyniad / Decision FPL/2024/155 The Stables, Caergeiliog – granted.

### 6. Financial Matters

- 6.1 2024/25 Accounts – The RFO submitted the financial report for the period from 1.11.2024 to 31.12. 2024 together with bank reconciliations, statements and copies of the accounts. Current Account £35,138.70, Deposit Account £4081.97.
- 6.2 Precept 2025/26  
The forecast of accounts to 31 March 2025 and anticipated expenditure for 2025/26 were scrutinised and discussed at length. Having taken that information and the anticipated reserves at 31 March 2025 into account it was unanimously agreed to request a precept of £21,000 for 2025/26. Members were acutely aware of the financial constraints on the County Council and were very reluctant to put added burden on the tax payers but it was inevitable that maintaining and conserving the village hall would seriously impact the Community Council finances.
- 6.3 Payments since last meeting: noted / agreed.

Salary (November and December.)	£705.94	Neuadd Caergeiliog	£545
Audit Wales	£200	T R Evans Hughes	£100
Defibrillator (Caergeiliog)	£1656	Play area Inspection	48.80

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.

- 7.1 Town and Community Councils Forum - minutes and date of next meeting
- 7.2 Asbestos Awareness Training
- 7.3 Digital Guidance - Cloud Storage
- 7.4 One Voice Wales Training
- 7.5 Environmental and Community Improvement Fund
- 7.6 Area Committee Survey  
Bro'r Llynnoedd Alliance 28.1.2025

### 8 Member Reports

- 8.1 Cllr. Einir Thomas: had been asked by a local resident whether the 20mph speed limit would be moved from beyond Bryn Ednyfed to nearer the village – it was confirmed that IOACC would be reconsidering the Caergeiliog A5 Bryngwran approach in the near

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future.

- 8.2 Cllr. Sharon Parry: complained that parking was still a serious problem on Minffordd Road, vehicles were obstructing the pavements and making it extremely hazardous for pedestrians. Agreed that the clerk should write to the Prime Management Company to ask them to provide more parking bays.
- 8.3 Cllr. William Victor Owen: suggested that the Community Council ask the local PCSO to attend / provide an update on what is happening in the area at the moment.
- 8.4 Community Council Clerk : Llanfaelog Community Council had questioned whether Llanfair yn Neubwll Community Council was being kept informed about matters discussed by the Tywyn Trewan Board of Conservators. They said that despite the majority of the Board being made up of Community Council representatives it appeared that there was never any consultation with the Council and the general lack of transparency was a serious concern to them. Llanfaelog C.C. had also raised the question of insurance and indemnity and suggested that there was a danger that the Community Council could be liable for decisions made by the Board of Conservators. Several Llanfair yn Neubwll Members echoed the concerns raised by Llanfaelog C.C., the two representatives were asked to refer this to the Board of Conservators for a response.

### 9. **Next Meeting - 18 February 2025**

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