

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGELYNNIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL – 09.04.2025 - 7.00pm at Y Ganolfan

Present: David Griffiths (DG) (Chair) Geraint Edwards (GE) (Vice Chair) Huw Davies (HD), Keith Carroll (KC), Ian Williams (IW) Geraint Micah (GM), Jane Lawrence (JL) Megan Griffiths (MG) and Jane Jenkins (JJ)(Clerk)

1. Apologies Received: Jen Warne (JW)

2. Chairperson's Welcome: A warm welcome was extended to all to the meeting.

2.1 Registration of Interest: None.

3. Approval of previous minutes – 12/03/25:

The Minutes of the meeting were agreed as a true account.

RESOLVED: Proposed – GE Second – HD Signed – DG

4. Matters arising from the previous meetings – 12/03/25:

a) **Update on Casual Vacancy Notice** – No election has been called for; a notice of Co-Option is now on the notice boards.

b) **Bench Maintenance** – Clerk advising three quotes received which were reviewed by all present, save for Geraint Micah who left the room as there was a prejudicial interest as he had quoted. Appropriate paperwork signed. Concerns had been raised regarding the condition of some of the benches and whether a repair was adequate. DG advised that he had dismantled one of the benches by Quakers as it was unsafe. GE provided details for replacement benches and/or composite timbers to replace the broken ones but overall, it was considered it would be more cost effective to purchase new benches.

RESOLVED: Unanimous decision to purchase immediately two new recycled plastic armed benches with vertical back from Wynnstay at a price of £385 plus VAT, which could be reclaimed. Additional benches to be added at a later stage and depending on finances. Any unsafe benches to be dismantled to prevent injury.

ACTION: Clerk to email Wynnstay to place order and enquire whether any discount was available.

c) **Moles in Playpark** – GM advised this has not been done as he is still waiting on the key for the playpark gates.

5. Correspondence:

a) **Email from Adrian Williams re A493 Rhoslefain and signs**
Noted.

6. Planning Applications: None.

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7. Financial Matters:

1. Financial Reports for March.

RESOLVED: Unanimously agreed as true account and approved.

Proposed: HD **Second:** IW **Signed:** DG.

2. Payments – Clerks Pay March, HMRC (paye months 8-12), One Voice Wales (25/26 Membership), Glenda Edwards (Translation).

RESOLVED: Unanimous agreement of payments and cheques signed.

ACTION: Clerk to make payments.i

3. Quotes received for grass cutting.

Two quotes had now been received. Geraint Micah left the room as he had provided a quote, and relevant documentation was signed by him. Councillors considered both quotes and made their decision.

RESOLVED: Unanimous agreement for both the footpaths and the war memorial to be awarded to GM for the period 2025-26. GM was invited back into the room and advised of the decision.

ACTION: Clerk to thank the unsuccessful contractor for providing a quote.

4. IRPW adopt determination (2024-25). Clerk explained procedure and entitlement to claim to the remaining three Councillors who had not been present last month.

RESOLVED: Unanimous agreement from those Councillors not to claim. Therefore nil claim to be reported for the year ending 2024-25.

ACTION: Clerk to complete and submit the return.

5. Review Donations Policy

RESOLVED: Unanimous agreement to adopt the policy as drafted. Next review to be April 2026.

ACTION: Clerk to update on website.

6. Audit Update

Clerk advised that she had engaged with Gwynedd Council Internal Auditor and was in the process of preparing the documents they had requested. Documents had been received from Audit Wales and Llangelynnin was a basic audit this year. Clerk advising that end of year spreadsheets and cash book completed and balanced.

7. VAT Reclaim

Clerk advising that a VAT form 126 had been completed and submitted for the year end 31st March 2025.

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8. Representatives' Reports: None

9. County Councillors Report:

Louise Hughes advising that she had attended a meeting regarding the council tax rise and had voted against it. Also advising that she had attended a National Park Meeting and there is an application in to demolish Bontddu Hall with a site visit on Wednesday 16th April.

10. Any Other Business:

1. Sewerage Pipe, River Gwrl. KC advised that a substantial amount of concrete had come away from the pipe and it was precariously balanced. He advised that Clerk had telephoned Welsh Water emergency line on 3rd April and an inspector had attended the site on 4th April. However, as it stands no report has been provided. It was noted that there is still some concrete at one end of the pipe which could, with the weight cause the pipe to crack allowing sewage into the river. It was agreed that further communication with Welsh Water is warranted.

RESOLVED: Unanimous agreement for Clerk to contact Welsh Water providing reference number and request an immediate update. Louise Hughes will also contact their emergency team.

ACTION: Clerk to send email asap.

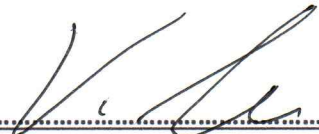
2. JL mentioned that several villagers had enquired as to when the defibrillators are to be fitted. DG reported that he had spoken with a member of Dolgellau Fire Service and had been informed that there were fitting a defibrillator to the lamp post outside of the park and will be responsible for funding and maintaining it. The Councillors had not been aware of this. DG will enquire who they have spoken to to get permission for it to be put on the lamp post as that we may be able to do similar.

Meeting closed 8.10 pm.

Date of Next Meeting (AGM) : Wednesday 14/05/2025 at 7.00pm - "Y Ganolfan"
Llwyngwrl

Signed

Chairman



Date

14th MAY 2025

KEVIN CARRALL
VICE