

# CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGELYNNIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## **MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL – 11.03.26 - 7 pm at Y Ganolfan**

**Present:** Geraint Edwards (GE) (Chair) Keith Carroll (KC) (Vice Chair), Geraint Micah (GM), Ian Williams (IW), Meg Griffiths (MG), Cath Severn (CS) and Jane Jenkins (Clerk)

### **1. Chairperson's Welcome**

### **2 Ymddiheuriadau / Apologies**

David Griffiths, C. Cllr Louise Hughes,

### **3. Approval of minutes of previous meeting 11.02.26**

Minutes agreed as a true copy.

**RESOLVED:** Proposed KC Seconded CS

### **4. Matters arising from previous meeting – 11.02.26**

#### **1. Playpark railings update**

CS advising that on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 4 helpers had turned up and painting was now underway with four sections having been completed. There are five tins of paint left which it is hoped will be enough to complete the work.

#### **2. Email received from Rhys Roberts re coastal path**

Response from Rhys Roberts noted and Councillors in agreement that the Council has done what it can to highlight the issue relating to the condition of the path/road. No further action at this stage.

#### **3. Charity Commission update**

Email from OVW/NALC legal team noted along with their point that the only options available to the Council are as already advised from the National Council Voluntary Organisation . General feeling was to move towards removing the registration number which alleviates the need to file accounts. However, before this could be done, we needed to be completely sure that the Charity remained recorded just not as a registered charity.

**ACTION:** Clerk to write to the Charity Commission and request a copy of the Charities Governing document which they should hold, and enquire into whether the advice received is the correct way forward.

#### **4. Email GCC re footpath by railway crossing**

Noted that Sam Hollingworth of GCC has visited the site and assessed the flooding issue and will return with a Contractor in the future. Noted also that no repairs can be undertaken until the land has dried out.

#### **5. Email and document re community EV charging points**

Response and documentation received from GCC noted. Due to no suitable schemes/grants available at this time to assist with the high costs, the Council agreed that no further action could be taken at this time.

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### 6. Email received from GCC re: work required on red bridge

Contents of email from GCC noted and hopefully repairs to the wall will be carried out before the Duck Race in May.

### 7. Speeding issues update

Notes produced by Clerk following a telephone call with GCC discussed. Clerk has not received any further information relating to the investigations at time of meeting. KC suggested in the meantime the Council invest in a life-size plastic cut out police officer which costs £48 in the hope it will deter speeding – it can be fixed securely at different points around the village.

**RESOLVED:** Unanimous agreement to make the purchase, which KC will deal with and provide the invoice to the Council at the next meeting.

### 8. Benches

GE discussed the two new benches which now require installing. He also suggested the Council purchase a third bench which could be installed at the same time. All three new benches to be placed by Quakers/beach side of railway line. Several bags of postcrete will also be required. GE also suggested that small plaques be obtained in the future and fixed to the benches so that the community and wider public could see they were purchased by the Community Council.

**RESOLVED:** Unanimous agreement to purchase a third bench (GE will now speak to DG to arrange this) and for GE to purchase the required amount of postcrete and provide the Council with the invoice.

## 5. Correspondence

### 1. Email from ENP re call for candidate site

Email discussed but the Council were unable to think of any suitable sites. Clerk asked to put the poster on to the Facebook page.

### 2. Gwynedd Town and Community Council support fund 2026

Clerk advising the Council on this grant and what the monies could be used for. All agreed that the Council should take advantage of the grant, and it was agreed to relist on April agenda which would give the Councillors adequate time to consider projects beneficial to the area. Clerk to send the full application details/literature to the Councillors for them to read through.

### 3. Gwynedd local development plan questionnaire

This was discussed briefly but it was considered as we are within the National Park it was not relevant.

### 4. Email from Llangelynnin Parish Churchyard

Email and accounts noted.

### 5. Works Programme – March

Noted.

## 6. Planning Applications/Licensing Applications

None.

## 7. Financial Matters

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### 1. Monthly finance statement for February 2026

**RESOLVED:** Unanimously agreed as a true account.  
**Proposed :** IW                      **Seconded:** MG

### 2. Invoices/Payments – Clerks February pay, Y Ganolfan Llwyngwriil

**RESOLVED:** Unanimous agreement for all payments to be made and cheques signed. A third cheque was also signed in respect of payments due to HMRC, that cheque being sent following payroll for March 2026.

### 3. Audit Update

Engage with internal auditor

Clerk advising that it was now time to engage with regards to the 25/26 audit and asking whether the Council were happy to use Gwynedd Council again.

**RESOLVED:** Unanimous agreement to use Gwynedd Council for this year's audit.

**ACTION:** Clerk to send letter.

#### Audit Wales Report 2024-25

Clerk advising that the audit for 2024/25 has been returned from Audit Wales and the Audit Opinion was Qualified. A completion of audit notice has already been prepared and is on website and on noticeboard. Clerk addressed the points raised, i.e. DBCC issue which was an error on the website, and which has been rectified and the new training plan required which requires publishing on the website annually. Clerk has already commenced work on this and the matter to be relisted on the April Agenda so the plan can be completed for the 2026/27 year.

### 4. Play Park quote from GCC for 2026 and additional three-year quote

The Council viewed the quote for 2026 and the additional three-year quote from GCC and agreed that this was a very competitive price. In previous years there had been no other contractor near the price of GCC.

**RESOLVED:** Unanimous agreement to accept the fixed price for 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029.

**ACTION:** Clerk to confirm acceptance of quote over the next four years and request a copy of the Public Liability Insurance for each year as it is renewed.

Clerk raised the issue of the village footpaths with GM as an email confirming a price hold was still outstanding. GM advising the letter would be sent tomorrow but would include a clause stating that if fuel prices continued to rise as they currently are due to the Iran issue, then there may be a small surcharge to cover fuel on the second and third cuts. The Councillors agreed that this was acceptable in the circumstances and GM stated it will be included within the letter.

### 5. Members annual payments

Clerk advising the Council of the payments available this year namely £156 which is a mandatory payment for extra costs available to all members and £52 which is a mandatory payment for office consumables.

**RESOLVED:** Agreement by all Councillors present (save for GM who will be making a claim) to forego their right to claim and relevant form signed by each. GM took form away for completion.

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### 8. Representatives' Reports

Nothing to report.

### 9. County Councillor's Report

Nothing to report.

### 10. Any Other Business

GM mentioned the issue of a network coverage issue between Llanegryn and Llangellynnin and asked for the matter to be raised with Mabon ap Gwynfor MS as in the event of an emergency no calls could be made.

Clerk asked to send a letter. GM stated he was happy for his number to be included so that he could be contacted directly about the matter.

CS mentioned her displeasure that the Welsh Government had made an £18M grant to Wrexham FC as she felt that the money could be better spent on healthcare. Some of the other Councillors agreed with her point and Clerk asked to raise this with Mabon ap Gwynfor MP.

Clerk produced draft meeting dates for 2026/27 in order that Y Ganolfan could be booked. These were approved and Clerk will now book them in.

Meeting closed 8.55 pm.

Date of next meeting Wednesday 08/04/2026 at 7 pm – "Y Ganolfan" Llwyngwriil

Signed: *R G Edwards*

Chairman

Date: 08/04/2026