

CYNWYL ELFED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 22.04.2025

at Cynwyl Elfed Community Hall

Present: Councillor: Julian Evans (Chair.), Cllr. Elfed Davies, Cllr. Eifion Jones, Cllr. Bryan Davies, and Cllr. Robin Bowen.

Clerk: Enid Davies

Translator: Hefin Jones

Apologies received from: Cllr. Amy Evans, Cllr. Aled Jones and Cllr. Delme Phillips.

01.Declaration of Personal Interest

Nil.

02.Confirmation of the Minutes of 17.03.2025

Minutes of the meeting held on 17.03.2025 were agreed to be a correct copy proposed by Cllr. Robin Bowen and seconded by Cllr. Elfed Davies.

03.Matters Arising From the Minutes

a. Highway matters: see under Highway Matters.

b. Public Conveniences - see under reports from sub-committees.

c. Defibrillator Cwmdud - Application for a defibrillator has not been accepted. Cheque in respect of money received by Cllr. Eifion Jones in the sum of £662.72 made up of:

1) In memory of Goronwy Bowen - £350.00

2) In memory of Pat Watson - £200.00

3) Donations collected by the village of Cwmdud -£112.72

Clerk is to write to Joyce Bowen, Peter Watson and Geoff Goodbourn to acknowledge receipt and give thanks on behalf of the Council. The money is to be transferred into the account allocated for the defibrillators pending obtaining a new defibrillator for Cwmdud.

04.Correspondence

Copies of relevant correspondence received is circulated to members via e-mail.

- One Voice Wales - Motions for 2025 Annual General Meeting - to be held on Wed. 1 October 2025 - to be submitted by 20 June 2025 . Noted only - a motion to be presented had been discussed and wording agreed at a previous meeting.

05.Planning

PL/09135 - Proposed new agricultural access - Land at Llaine Farm, Cynwyl Elfed SA33 6SP-

The Council decided to support planning application PL/09135 on the proviso that all of the recommended conditions as stipulated by the Head of Environmental Infrastructure, Head of Place & Sustainability, Carmarthenshire County Council in respect of this planning application are adhered to.

06.Payments and Finances

(a) Payments and Account

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| • ME Davies Clerc Salary 03/25 - | £ 309.90 |
| • Maria Thomas Magic Mops- 03/03/25-31/03/25 | £ 230.00 |
| • Canolfan Cymdeithasol Cynwyl Elfed-Rent for room Jan.-March | £ 30.00 |
| • Cyngor Sir Gâr- Street Lights - date of invoice 25.3.25 | £1851.67 |

The Council approved the above payments which were due by 31.03.2025.

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| • EDF Direct Debit -01.03.25-31.03.2025 | £ 48.52 |
| • H.M.R.C. 1/4 (2024/2025) Direct Debit | £ 232.60 |
| • ME Davies (Nibets-paper and dispenser x2for public conveniences) | £ 47.91 |
| • ME Davies - | £ 34.26 |
| • (amazon Squeegee Mop floors public conveniences £27.29 +£6.97 log book | |
| • for cleaner at public conveniences) | |

The Council decided that the above mentioned payments be made.

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Internal Audit- it was decided to appoint Heather Doody to carry out this year's internal audit.

REVIEW - RECONCILIATION OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Councillor Julian Evans checked the receipts and payment to 31 March 2025 and signed in order to confirm that this had been done and that the accounts appeared to be correct.

07.Highway Matters:

Highway Matters reported on: 22.04.2025

The Council noted that works had been carried out in the area and a big improvement had been made to the footbridge which is part of the footpath in Cwmdudad.

- a) Surgeon Street - Cllr.B.D. reported that matters were in hand in order to improve water flow/drainage at this point.
- b) Penrhiwcrnynfryn junction - new signage in place but are still not clear enough. The Council decided that there are improvements which can be made in order to make this junction more visible to drivers on the C2043.
- c) Post Office/Shop Cynwyl Elfed - matter in hand to place parking restrictions and loading bay outside during opening hours.
- d) Litter bins - two bins have been removed from the village - these were purchased by the Community Council at which time the County Council agreed to empty. Clerk to write again to the County Council to ask for the bins to be returned
- e) Cllr. E.J. reported to the Council that a pavement is required from Heol y Bwt to the village. Letters have been written in the past without success - Clerk is to write again.
- f) Cllr. J.E. reported that the tree identified as Ash Dieback near the bus shelter at Esgair Junction continues to be a hazard with branches falling on to the bus shelter.
- g) Street Cleaning through Cynwyl Elfed - it was reported that a good job had been carried out recently but the right side of the road between the B4333 junction and the bridge had been missed.
- h) Absence of white lines on the side of the road from Penfforddnewydd to Tŷ Coch.
- i) Small potholes in the road along the A484 between the Derwydd Garage and the village of Cynwyl Elfed.

08. Reports from Sub-Committees

- **Public Conveniences:** -
 - The paper dispenser has been fixed on the wall of the ladies cubicle by Cllr. J.E.
 - Cllr. Julian Evans has fixed a key safe for the key of the front store near the door of the front store room. Councillors advised of the pass number. A full set of keys are stored in the front store.
 - A phone call was received that one of the male toilets had blocked - Cllr. J.E. attended and fixed the problem.
 - Cleaner had not been at the toilet for a few days due to car breakdown,She informed the Clerk on Monday morning who then did the cleaning on Tuesday 15 April . Cleaner returned to work on Thursday 17 April. The cleaner has been reminded to inform Clerk ahead of the days she is unable to attend to the toilets. Cleaning log put in place to record dates and times cleaner in attendance plus the work carried out during those times.
 - Dŵr Cymru - the water meter has been located, the April bill is due shortly.
- **Cae Chwarae Bro Elfed Playing Field:** -
 - Cllr. JE reported that the written Constitution of the park has not been located yet however according to local knowledge if the Park Committee fails then the care of the park is to be undertaken by the Community Council. Clerk will write to Carmarthenshire County Council to find out if they have any records or documents that can confirm this.

09. Any Other Matters

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- Training - The fees for training is £42 per course for members of One Voice Wales. Clerk had contacted O.V.W. to find out whether there is a bursary available. They had not received anything from the Welsh Government at the time of this meeting. Clerk to arrange for Cllr. Robin Bowen to attend training: Understanding the Law Module 4 and Aled Jones -New Councillors Induction and the Code of Conduct Module 9.

10. Date and Time of next Meeting.

Annual Meeting on: **Monday 19 May 2025 at 7:00 p.m.**
to be followed by the monthly meetint at 7:30.

Meeting concluded at 21.30 hours.

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Date.