

CYNWYL ELFED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 17.11.2025
at Cynwyl Elfed Community Hall.

Present: Cllr. Amy Evans (Chair.), Cllr. Elfed Davies, Cllr. Delme Phillips, Cllr. Aled Jones, Cllr. Bryan Davies, Cllr. Julian Evans and Cllr. Robin Bowen.

Clerk: Enid Davies

Translator: Hefin Jones

Apologies received: Cllr. Eifion Jones.

Members of the public present: J. Jones, H. Jones, E. Evans (Journalist) and A. Evans.

Cllr. Amy Evans (Chair.) welcomed council members and the public to the meeting. The Chair. informed all present that the Council had resolved that it did not consent to photographing, recording or transmitting the proceedings of the meeting. The Council decided to bring item 5 on the agenda, Planning Matters, forward to follow directly after item 1 on the agenda.

61. Declaration of Personal Interest

The chair asked Council members if they had any interests to declare in the business being discussed. Cllr. Amy Evans (Chair) and the clerk had investigated any queries from the public regarding possible conflicts of interest regarding the planning matter to be discussed and were satisfied that members were fully aware of their responsibilities as stated in the Code of Conduct for Town and Community Councils in Wales.

62. Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous meetings

Minutes of the meeting held on 20.10.25 were agreed to be a correct copy proposed by Cllr. Bryan Davies and seconded by Cllr. Robin Bowen.

Minutes of the public meeting held on 10.11.25 were agreed to be a correct copy proposed by Cllr. Robin Bowen and seconded by Cllr. Aled Jones.

63. Planning

PL/10013 - Residential development with landscaping, access, drainage and associated works - Land off Surgeon Street, Cynwyl Elfed, Caerfyrddin -

The Council reviewed the above planning application. Each of the Councillors were given an opportunity to speak. Cllr. Bryan Davies had reached out to every resident in Cynwyl Elfed to find out their individual views and reported his findings to the meeting. After consideration of the proposal and public comments received, the Community Council voted: 1 for, 6 against the planning application. The Community Council resolved to object to Planning Application PL/10013 on the following grounds:

Insufficient Sewage Capacity; Environmental - River Pollution; Concerns about the site and safety of the Lagoon in the long term; Position of the Residential Development and Unsafe Routes for Walking; Concerns regarding the integrity of the Local Development Plan; Parking Concerns and Increased Traffic Volume; Impact on the Welsh Language.

64. Matters to report:

a. Highway matters: see under Highway Matters.

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

65. Correspondence

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

- Carmarthenshire County Council Christmas Toy Box Appeal - it was decided to contribute £50 towards the Christmas Toy Box Appeal.
- Places of Worship Protective Security Scheme - noted.
- One Voice Wales AGM 26.01.2026 on line - delegates to be nominated at the December meeting.

- One Voice Wales - Applications for free webinar training -the clerk pointed out the importance of the Finance and Governance Toolkit module 24 - Councillors to decide on which dates they wish to attend and inform the clerk.

66.Payments and Finances

(a) Payments and Account

• Maria Thomas Magic Mops - October 2025	£230.00
• ME Davies Clerc Salary 10/25	£310.10
• ME Davies Cost SLCC&OVW joint event	£ 78.00 inc.VAT.
• EDF Direct Debit -01.10.25-31.10.25	£ 44.79
• Hefin Jones Translating Services Sept.Oct.Nov.2025	£255.00

REVIEW - RECONCILIATION OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Councillor Amy Evans reviewed the accounts to the 31 October 2025 and verified that they appeared to be correct.

67.Highway Matters:

Highway Matters reported on: 17.11.2025

Clerk is to contact Carmarthenshire County Council to thank them for all the work carried out to date in the Cynwyl Elfed area.

- Question asked: have Council Contractors got Waste Transfer Licence for transferring waste from the small vans to the big lorries which happens in Esgair Layby?.*
- Debris continue to be left in Esgair Layby from road works which cause problems.*
- Request for 30 mph speed limit through Esgair.*
- C1294 from Penfoel to Cwm Hagar near Nantbendigaid — Leaves on the road very dangerous and slippery.*
- Request for information regarding gritting routes.*
- C1313 from Cynwyl to Vicerage - debris building up on the pavement.*
- Esgair Culvert - needs an upgrade. Cllr. Bryan Davies is to meet with Council Officials.*
- Penlanchwilor - Penheol - Pothole has been filled but part of the drain is sticking out-dangerous to traffic , punctures reported.*
- Penlanchwilor-Clunbach - ditch on the side of the road has blocked.*
- At entrance to Green Villa - Notice on the approach to left side junction is missing.*
- Hermon - pavement is very dirty and covered in leaves and branches.Needs cleaning.*
- Council workers when cleaning drains throw the debris/stones etc on to the hedges - it has been reported that as a consequence this damages hedgecutters.*

68. Reports from Sub-Committees and Organisations.

• Cae Chwarae Bro Elfed Playing Field

Cllr Amy Evans reported that new fences are to be erected around the play area.

• Public Conveniences: -

- Clerk reported that she had received several reports of problems with the toilets being blocked and had contacted Cllr. Julian Evans who reported that he has spent 16 hours attending to blockages in the Public Conveniences over the last few months.

69. Any Other Matters

Training-Councillors encouraged to attend the free training places available.

Recent Flooding: Councillor Julian Evans thanked all of the Councillors who attended to help in the village during the floods experienced in Cynwyl Elfed recently.

70. Date and Time of next Meeting.

Monthly meeting on: Monday **15 December 2025** at **7:30 p.m.**

The meeting concluded at 21.30 hours.

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Chair.

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Date.