

CYNWYL ELFED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 16.02.2026

at Cynwyl Elfed Community Hall.

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

Clerk: Enid Davies

Translator: Apology received.

Apologies received: Cllr. Eifion Jones, Cllr. Aled Jones and Cllr. Robin Bowen.

Cllr. Amy Evans (Chair) welcomed the Council members present to the meeting.

91.Declaration of Personal Interest

The chair asked Council members if they had any interests to declare in the business being discussed - nil declared.

92.Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous meetings

Minutes of the meeting held on 19.01.26 were agreed to be a correct copy proposed by Cllr. Elfed Davies and seconded by Cllr. Julian Evans.

93.Matters to report:

- a. Highway matters:- see under Highway Matters.
- b. Public Conveniences and Cynwyl Elfed Hall - see under reports from sub-committees.

94.Correspondence

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

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95.Planning

No new planning consultations received.

Live Planning items - clerk has checked the following recent consultations for possible decisions:

PL/09802 - ongoing - nothing new to report.

PL/10013 -Residential development-land of Surgeon Street - Statutory Consultation Response (Forward Planning Manager, Carmarthenshire County Council) - The letter states that full planning exists on this portion of land for 13 dwellings. Policy AH2 allows for exceptions sites where they provide affordable housing that will meet a genuine local need and where they accord with the criteria of the policy. Planning Policy Wales Edition 12, paragraph 4.2.23 - part of the criteria stated "that higher densities must be encouraged on sites in town centres and other sites which have good walking, cycling and public transport links". The Council decided to write to Carmarthenshire County Council Planning Hub and to the Forward Planning Manager to let them know that the Council does not agree that Cynwyl Elfed meets the criteria stated and point out that this has been well documented over several years in correspondence to the Council leading to a public meeting and a site meeting with Road Safety Manager and Road Safety Engineer during 2022.

S.106. Cllr. BD explained that in order to benefit from S.106 scheme, that it is necessary for interested parties to make a request for any funds to benefit the area prior to the Planning Item being discussed in the Planning Meetings. The Council also decided to instruct the clerk to write to Carmarthen County Council, Planning Hub requesting that any funds in respect of the Section 106 scheme, be appropriated to be used by local organisations to improve facilities in Cynwyl Elfed.

96.Payments and Finances

(a) Payments and Account

Payments

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| • Maria Thomas Magic Mops - January 2026 | £230.00 |
| • ME Davies Clerk's Salary 01/2026 | £309.90 |
| • EDF Energy 01.01.26-31.01.2026 | £ 51.30 |

- The Council agreed for the above mentioned payments to be made. Proposed by BD and seconded by JE.

REVIEW - RECONCILIATION OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Councillor Amy Evans reviewed the accounts to the 31 January 2026 and verified that they appeared to be correct.

97.Highway Matters:

Highway Matters reported on: 16.02.2026

- a) Penheol Penlanchwilor - Pothole has been filled but there is a sharp edge of a drain protruding with reports received of tyres being damaged.*
- b) Penrhiwcrynfryn - concerns raised about several areas of the road between Cynwyl Elfed and Penrhiwcrynfryn Junction including the junction. Edge of the road in many places has eroded and disintegrated making the road more narrow. This is especially worrying at the site where a lorry recently rolled off the road. Cllr. BD informed the meeting that this matter is in hand - he had recently visited the site with a Road Engineer. The County Council are monitoring the road. The Junction is also to have further clear warning signage to make drivers aware of the junction.*
- c) Pannau Hill - Drains and gutters are full and collapsing.*
- d) Cwm Hagar - Road continues to be in a very poor condition, cracking and subsiding. Cllr. BD informed the meeting that engineers had assessed the site during the last week and that matters are in hand.*
- e) Esgair Bridge/Culvert - Cllr. Bryan Davies Reported that matters are in hand.*
- f) It was reported to the meeting that during the recent road closures and the bus being diverted from its normal route that apparently no provision was made for the people who depend on the bus who lived along the road affected. Clerk is to write to Carmarthenshire County Council, Transport Department requesting that consideration be made for the people affected by Transport Issues arising from road closures in the future.*

98. Reports from Sub-Committees and Organisations.

Public Conveniences: -

- The area around the Water Meter needs to be cleared in order to access the meter to read it. Clerk to contact local Dŵr Cymru officer regarding making the water meter more accessible.
- A new toilet roll dispenser has been received to replace existing broken dispenser.
- Cllr.JE reported that there is an ongoing problem with Male cubicle No.1 with regular episodes of the floor and wall befouled. He cleaned several times on the weekend. Cleaner has reported in the past that she has been having difficulty in getting rid of foul smell in that cubicle and has had to deep clean on several occasions but it keeps on happening. Clerk to liaise with cleaner to ensure that she has help with this if required.
- Cllr. BD told the meeting that a compliment had been given for him to pass on to the Council regarding the cleanliness of the Female cubicles.

Cae Chwarae Bro Elfed Playing Field -

- Cllr. AE reported that the park committee is now effectively made up of two people for the time being since one official is on maternity leave. There will be an AGM to be held in approximately

two weeks time. Cllr. AE will inform the clerk who will pass on the date to Councillors and will also place a notice in the Council Notice Board.

Canolfan Cymdeithasol Cynwyl Elfed Hall -

- Cllr.ED reported that the evening of “Local Talent/Doniau Bro” arranged by the Fund Raising Committee and held in order to raise funds for the hall had been well supported with positive feedback from those who had attended. All of the organisations and groups using the hall were invited to provide 5 minutes of entertainment resulting in a very enjoyable evening. The net sum of £813.50 was raised from ticket sales and raffle sales.

99. Any Other Matters

Training- One Voice Wales - Applications for free webinar training - 4 free places for each module with 50% discount after free places used.

Module 24 - Finance and Governance Toolkit - has been booked for Cllrs. Elfed Davies and Delme Phillips on Monday 02/03/26 and for. Cllr. Amy Evans and Cllr. Robin Bowen on Wednesday 25/03/26. Cllr. Julian Evans to be provided with alternative dates to attend Module 24 .

100. Date and Time of next Meeting.

Monthly meeting on: Monday **16 March 2026** at **7:30 p.m.**

The meeting concluded at 20.30 hours.

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Cllr. A. Evans (Chair)

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Date.