

# CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANSANTFFRAID AND DEYTHEUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LLANSANTFFRAID AND DEYTHEUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY  
28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025 AT 7PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT                      MR J ASHTON – VICE CHAIR (JA), MR M BEBB (MB), MRS B CROSS- CHAIR (BC), MRS R DAVIES (RDA), MR D EDWARDS (DME), MR R EVANS (RE), MR R JONES (RJ), MR D WILLIAMS (DW)S, MR E WILLIAMS (EW)

APOLOGIES                      MR R DAWSON, MR G THOMAS

MEMBER OF PUBLIC              MR G DAVIES

<b>1.</b>	<p><b>WELCOME AND APOLOGY</b></p> <p>The meeting was chaired by BC.</p> <p>Councillors were welcomed to the April 2025 meeting. The apologies received were accepted.</p>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>AGREE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MARCH 2025</b></p> <p>The minutes of the March meeting had been circulated and they were agreed as a correct record - all in favour for them to be signed.</p>
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCSO did not attend the meeting , clerk to email and request them to attend the Council meeting on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2025.</li> <li>• Godor drain - it was felt that there nothing now wrong with the drain and the matter can be considered resolved.</li> <li>• Zebra Crossings – no response received to last email – 28<sup>th</sup> March to Emma Bradford - this to be followed up by the clerk.</li> <li>• Bethel Chapel – ongoing.</li> <li>• Wynnstay Wall – RJ to arrange repair of the wall and to liaise with GT about the artist.</li> <li>• The fence at the new recreation field - ongoing RE.</li> <li>• Planters – K Francis has annuals FOC for them. RE thanked for the installation of 2 planters.</li> <li>• Information board – ongoing – RD.</li> <li>• Online banking – ongoing – Clerk.</li> <li>• Playground maintenance ongoing. EW and Ray Parry will attend a site meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025 to price the work to be done and he also supplies MUGAS. JA will have a quote for the new recreation field by next meeting.</li> <li>• Clerk to monitor usage of electricity and water on spreadsheet for ease of comparison.</li> <li>• The Defib pads had been replaced with the new pads.</li> <li>• Kiosk on Deytheur has been painted today. Thanks to G Davies and K Stanton.</li> <li>• Collfryn farm – no response from PCC about this. Clerk to follow up.</li> <li>• Speed signs – the Chair highlighted a report in the paper about speed cameras in Llanfair. It was commented that there were a group of people in Trefonen tracking the speed of traffic. They forward any traffic that is over the speed limit to the police and then a letter is sent to the owner of the vehicle warning of this.</li> <li>• River Bank – Chair to discuss this with GT.</li> <li>• Rose bed – there had been no response on Facebook about the Rose bed. Clerk to ask Andy Ellis for a quote to maintain this.</li> <li>• Litter picking – this had been a success.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Steve Witherden – a reply had been sent regarding the meeting he had with the councillors and he requested that he was copied into emails for items that were of importance.</li> </ul>
4.	<b>PLANNING</b> No planning had been received.
5.	<b>ACCOUNTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Insurance - £625.57. Chair read items that were covered by the insurance. The Chair said that there was no cover for Contract Dispute and we may need to consider adding this if we enter into a contract for development of the Recreation field. All in favour for it to be paid.</li> <li>OVW Membership £311 –The clerk had asked OVW where would the Council obtain their information from if it wasn't a member and the reply had been any legal matters would be from a solicitor. The Chair read the reply from A Orells – Senior Leadership Team Officer. It was agreed to pay the membership fee but to ask PCC about a Code of Conduct policy and compare it with that from OVW – AIF.</li> <li>Audit £144 – all in favour for this to be paid. Payments since last meeting:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>British Gas £75.36</li> <li>Hafren Dyfrdwy – allotments £5.91</li> <li>Hafren Dyfrdwy – PC £30</li> </ul> Receipts since last meeting:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not available.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> The Chair had signed the bank reconciliation as of 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2025. There is NIL to pay on the rates for the Cemetery and Public Conveniences.
6.	<b>AUDIT APPROVAL</b> The audit had been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. The Annual Governance Statement was completed by the councillors. The Clerk explained the variances on the audit between last year and this year – councillors were satisfied with the explanations given and this to be submitted with the audit. It was agreed by the councillors that documents are available to the public during the July meeting.
7.	<b>PUBLIC CONVENIENCES</b> The damaged fascia board has not been replaced yet – RE. It was reported that there had been copper piping in the gent's toilets ripped off the wall along with the toilet been blocked by toilet roll. The electric had tripped too. It was felt that waterless urinals could be an option for these toilets. The Council decided to lock the gent's toilets for the foreseeable future due to continual damage and vandalism – AIF. The disabled toilet will remain open.
8.	<b>MEMBER'S ALLOWANCE</b> This had been completed.
9.	<b>ALLOTMENTS</b> A reminder to be sent to the 3 tenants that had not paid their rent.
10.	<b>CEMETERY</b> Memsafe had sent a quote for the inspection of 200 headstones – the quote was for £750 excluding VAT - £3.75 per memorial. It was felt that the quote was rather high. The matter was discussed and the outcome was that RJ would acquire guidelines on producing a Risk Assessment and EW and JA volunteered to help with this – this will be discussed further at the next meeting. Repair to the lych gate metal work ongoing.
11.	<b>COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT</b> Not available
12.	<b>STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS</b> The Clerk was unable to attend the training for the S6 report but there is useful information on the OVW website. The Chair felt that the Clerk should start writing the report now and look at how other reports have been written.
13.	<b>NEW RECREATION FIELD</b> Chair had spoken to Neil Pidgeon but nothing to report.

	JA and EW to get quotes by the next meeting. JA to meet with the person who had planned the Recreation field in Caersws and EW to get a quote from Ray Parry.
<b>14.</b>	<b>COMMUNICATION / CORRESPONDENCE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The National Flood Forum The Chair explained about the National Flood Forum and its scheme and felt that householders at risk of flooding could be a part of this. It was questioned as to whether the flooding was due to blocked drains or river flood. The Chair to register the interest form.</li> <li>• Sustainable Powys – LET’S TALK The next Sustainable Powys meeting will be on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May from 7-9 in the Town Hall. No councillors were available to attend the meeting. Chair to speak to the County Councillor regarding the meeting.</li> <li>• Better Together in Powys Chair encouraged councillors to give feedback on the Better Together in Powys / Powys Teaching Health Board. The information to be put on Facebook.</li> </ul>
<b>15.</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATION</b> JA to complete the asset review.
<b>16.</b>	<b>COUNCILLOR REPORT</b> A complaint had been received by the council about a wasp’s nest at a premises on Treflan. It appears that nothing has been done about it for the past 3 years. A letter to the resident stating that the council will deal with the nest as it is a Health & Safety hazard to pedestrians using the pavement.  K Francis is willing to plant the planters. It was agreed for RD to purchase flowers for the planters on the entrances to the village.  It was agreed to contact PCC to ask either for a larger bin by the Chip shop or that the bin is emptied more often.  It was commented that there were bin bags by the clothing bank – request that this bin is emptied more often.  Over 50 residents have joined the Llandrinio, Arddleen, Four Crosses, Llanymynech and Llansantffraid Neighbourhood Watch programme and membership is increasing each month.  Solar Panel on new builds to be discussed at the next meeting.  The Open Space questionnaire had been submitted but the land on Spoonley was not included in the Open Space as the Community Council have not adopted this land as there was a question over the incumbrance of it. A letter to Pickstock’s regarding the land.  Photos of the flood by Tanhouse were discussed and it was felt that the owner should be involved in the National Flood Forum. RJ to deal with the matter of the flood waters on the Wynnstay entrance.
<b>17.</b>	<b>NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MAY 2025</b>

**MEETING CLOSED AT 8.35PM**