

# Cyngor Cymuned LLANBEDROG Community Council

## Minutes of Hybrid Meeting 31 March 2025 at 7:00pm.

NAME	PRESENT	APOLOGIES
Hywel James Sinclair Evans	✓	
Alan Harper-Smith	✓	
Greta Hughes	✓	
Gwenllian Davenport Hughes	✓	
John Brinley Jones	✓	
Thomas Victor Jones	✓	
William Roger Jones	✓	
Andrew Parry (Cadeirydd)	✓	
Ian Goronwy Williams (Is-gadeirydd)	✓	
Keith Williams	✓	
Kevin Wheatley		✓
<b>ALSO</b>		
Caroline Jones (Clerk)	✓	
Ann Llwyd (Translator) (online)	✓	
* arrived or left the meeting where recorded.		

### 1. Present and apologies

Those present, as well as apologies, are listed in the table above.

The Clerk noted that she had written to Kevin Wheatly to draw attention to his attendance at meetings, i.e., that he had not attended since July 2024. A response had been received from Mr. Wheatly, which was read out by the Chair.

**Agreed: To grant permission for Kevin Wheatley to be absent from Llanbedrog Community Council meetings until the September 2025 meeting.**

### 2. Declaration of Financial or Business Interests

No declarations of financial or personal interest were received.

### 3. Minutes – for accuracy only. Meeting held on 27 January 2025

The minutes were unanimously accepted as correct.

Proposed by: Gwenllian Davenport Hughes

Seconded by: Ian Goronwy Williams.

The Chair read aloud a letter received from the Fire Service in response to the letter sent by Llanbedrog Community Council, expressing gratitude for their efforts in controlling the recent fire on Mynydd Tir y Cwmwd.

### 4. Urgent Matters

4.1. Application for subsidy from SSAFA Regional Fund for Wales.

**Resolved: Clerk to request a balance sheet from them before making a decision, and to resubmit application once the balance sheet received.**

4.2. Llanbedrog Community Council representation on external organisations - AONB and One Voice Wales. Victor Jones was thanked for representing Llanbedrog Community Council on AONB and One Voice Wales committees throughout the years. It was

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accepted that he would stand down from these committees at the earliest opportunity. Following discussion:

**Agreed:**

- **Andrew Parry to represent Llanbedrog Community Council on the AONB area committee.**
- **No proposal was received from the members to represent Llanbedrog Community Council on the One Voice Wales area committee. Members were therefore asked to reconsider and confirm a representative (or not) at the April meeting.**

- 4.3.** Cyfeillion Llŷn – to consider a local lettings policy for Llanbedrog and a Memorandum of Understanding for Gwynedd Welsh Community Councils. A discussion was had on the content of the documents presented to Llanbedrog Community Council by Cyfeillion Llŷn. Following discussion:

**Agreed:**

- **To await Gwynedd Council and Clwyd Alun Housing's letting policy for the social housing at Penyberth, and to comment on this policy before considering whether a local letting policy would be required for the Llanbedrog community.**
- **Not to commit to the memorandum of understanding at this time.**

- 4.4.** Follow-up from the second meeting of Pen Llŷn community and town councils: Ian Williams had attended the March 2025 meeting and presented the contents of the latest Cymunedoli meeting minutes. The Cymunedoli group had proposed two options for the future of the group. Following discussion:

**Agreed: Support option 1\* for the future of the group. The Clerk to convey Llanbedrog Community Council's support to Arfon Hughes, Cymunedoli. Ian Williams and James Evans to represent Llanbedrog Community Council in the Cymunedoli social enterprise.**

\*Incorporate as a legal co-operative society with a Chair, Treasurer and Secretary with 2 representatives from each community council on the board (if easier, councils can choose individuals from their area if no interest from councillors in being involved in the initiative).

## **5. Footpaths**

The Clerk confirmed that Gwynedd Council had reimbursed £570.60 towards the cost of footpath maintenance for the year 2024-25.

A comment was received that the zig-zag path down to the A499 from the path near Penybryn was dangerous.

**Agreed:**

- **The Clerk to contact Roger Fisher to arrange for him to assess the work required on the zig-zag path.**
- **Clerk to contact Gwynedd Council once again for a progress update on widening the path behind the school / Refail land.**

## **6. Cemetery and New Cemetery**

The Clerk reported that Dilwyn Williams had begun repairs to the cemetery wall and that he had asked for advice from a carpenter about the work needed to repair damage to the neighbour's shed. Details were expected in due course.

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The late David John Russell had been interred in the cemetery on 28 March, condolences were expressed to Councillor Angela Russell and family on their bereavement.

Attention was drawn to the headstone installation fee, which was currently £155. It was unclear whether a fee had been agreed for replacing a headstone, i.e., if a stone had already been installed and was being replaced, the current rules were not clear on this matter.

**It was resolved: for the Clerk to amend the cemetery fees and rules for adoption at the next annual general meeting - to note that there would be no fee for re-installing a headstone in the cemetery, only for installation of a new headstone.**

The Clerk reported that she had met with Greta Hughes and John Brinley Jones at the New Cemetery site to begin discussions on how to move the development forward. The Clerk was actively gathering the information that would be needed.

### 7. Playing Field

Gethin Hughes' bill for clearing a tree in the playing field was received, the details were shared with the members before agreeing payment under point 9 below.

The fence that needed to be erected was discussed, Rhys Jones had unfortunately not been able to do the work.

**It was agreed: for the Chair to ask Alaw Ceris to arrange for the contractor working on the playing field to install the fence.**

### 8. Village Hall

Ian Williams reported that the cleaning had now been done. There were still problems with the drains as items were being discarded in the toilets that were not suitable for disposal in that way. It was announced that the next meeting of the Village Hall committee was being held on 10 April 2025.

Keith Williams reported that the Village Hall committee had asked him to source prices for new doors, and that he had now received two prices for doors, which in each price, were slightly different. The committee would discuss these and seek grant funding towards the cost.

It was noted that the light/heater switches had still not been repaired.

**Agreed: The Clerk to follow up with Barbara Warren to arrange for the switches to be repaired.**

### 9. Payments

9.1. The following payments were agreed:

- a) Clerk's Salary: £443.67
- b) PAYE and NI: £111.00
- c) One Voice Wales Membership: £297
- d) Viking Direct: £247.97
- e) Ann Llwyd: £70.00
- f) Gethin Hughes, tree surgeon: £3,700.00

Unanimously agreed.

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### 9.2. Receipts

- a) Gwynedd Council (footpath): £570.60

Details of the receipts were received for information.

### 9.3. Bank statements: The statements had been shared with the papers in advance, the balances were:

- a) Natwest Business Reserve: £1,203.40  
b) Natwest Current: £25,555.44  
c) Natwest Liquidity Manager: £71,761.19

## 10. Planning Applications

- 10.1. [C24/0362/38/AC](#) Developments at Woodcroft. An email had been received from a local resident drawing attention to developments to the property that were not in accordance with the original application, i.e. development without planning permission.

**Agreed: For the Clerk to write to Gwynedd Council to express concern about unauthorised development.**

- 10.2. [C23/0338/38/LL](#) Lôn Pin Solar Development. Amendments to the original application had been made. The additional information did not change Llanbedrog Community Council's opinion on the six objections already submitted on the development. Llanbedrog Community Council had a further objection to:

*"Item 7. Community benefit: In addition to ground rent payments to the site landowner, the developer has offered to engage with the Community Council regarding future community benefit contributions. The possibility of community investment is being explored; however, this is challenging to achieve and cannot be assured."*

With this change, Llanbedrog Community Council opposed the development as community benefit was not guaranteed.

- 10.3. [C25/0146/38/DT](#) Holton. No objection.

The meeting closed at 20.35.

Next meeting Monday, April 28, 2025.

### DRAFT CHAIR APPROVED MINUTES

**SIGNED:** D.A Parry      **DATE:** 08.04.2025

### MINUTES APPROVED

**SIGNED:**

**DATE:**