CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Cilycwm Community Council held on Tuesday 23rd September, 2025 at Capel y Groes.
Clerk attended the meeting remotely.

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Present:
Chairman: Councillor L. Holdaway
Councillors: Aled Edwards, Moira Davies, Eurwyn Lewis
County Councillor A. Davies
Councillor M. Paul had problems connecting to the meeting remotely.

1. Ymddiheuriadau a datganiad o fudd/Apologies and declarations of interest
Datgan o fudd/Declarations of Interest
Menter Cilycwm – Councillor Aled Edwards
Bute Energy – County Councillor A. Davies

Ymddiheuriadau/Apologies
Councillor M. Paul

2. Cofnodion y cyfarfodydd a gynhaliwyd 6ed Mai, 2025, 5ed Awst, 2025. Minutes of the meetings held 6th May, 2025 and 5th August, 2025
Minutes were accepted as correct. Proposed by County Councillor A. Davies and seconded by Councillor A. Edwards

3. Materion yn codi o'r cofnodion/Matters arising from the minutes:

(1) Cilycwm Information Board – Cwm Rhaeadr
The work had been completed. This to be removed from the Agenda.

(2) Church Railings Notice Board
This was now complete, and item to be removed from the Agenda.

9 (1) River Erosion, Highway issues
This was an ongoing problem in the area.

9 (k) Bute Energy/Green GEN Cymru/Nant yr Ast and Ty Llwyd Wind Turbines-Bryncadwgan
The above would be discussed further under "Any other matters" as Wind Turbines with Lon Fawr/Bryn Rhudd and Waun Maenllwyd Energy Park – Belltown Power would be included in the discussions.

9 (q) Defibrillator Pads/Battery – Siloh and Tywi Bridge
These needed to be checked at regular intervals.

4. Gohebiaeth/Correspondence:
(a) Dyfodol Coedwigoedd Caio Forests consultation
(b) Emergency Road Closure C163 Rhandirmwyn
(c) OVW Training Dates
(d) Emergency Road Closure U4180
(e) OVW Members to attend meetings
(f) Emergency Road Closure C2163 Rhandirmwyn

(g) Keep Wales Tidy grants
(h) Llandovery pylon steering group updates
(i) Clinical Services consultation
(j) South West Wales Cohesion Fund
(k) Review of Electoral arrangements
(l) OVW – Biodiversity
(m) C.FF.I. tickets
(n) VE day celebrations
(o) Draft planning consultation
(p) Community Bureau Grants
(q) OVW Well being future generations
(r) OVW Innovative Practice Conference

Correspondence since 1st July, 2025

(a) Carmarthenshire County Council updates
(b) PCSO to attend an event – informal basis
(c) National Forest landscaping Scheme 2025/2027
(d) Understand active travel Wales
(e) Code of Conduct Video – Powerpoint *****
(f) Dog fouling posters
(g) Road closure C2159 Llandovery
(h) Carmarthenshire County Council updates
(i) All Wales play opportunity grants – capital
(j) NRW copy of insurance for Notice Board
(k) One Voice Wales – Repair Café Wales
(l) Emergency road closure C2156 Llandovery
(m) Electrical safety grants – community projects

Not sent

(a) One Voice Wales – Biodiversity Team
(b) One Voice Wales – E bulletin
(c) One Voice Wales – training dates

Everyone was reminded regarding a (e), to go through the Powerpoint presentation

(i) Adroddiad Ariannol/Financial Report

A financial Report had been prepared and distributed. Copies of the Bank Statements had been sent to Councillor M. Davies.

Precept payment

A precept payment of £2,666.67 had been received.

IRP payments

All Community Councillors were allowed to claim expenses, a form to sign either to accept or decline payment to be sent to every member.

Internal Auditor Report

Main findings

With the exception of items 4 and 5 in the outline of work undertaken, the vast majority of the control objectives tested proved to be satisfactory and as a result there are no matters I need to bring to the attention of your Council on this occasion. My conclusions are reflected in the internal auditor's report contained in the 2024/2025 Annual Return and are based inter alia on tests conducted by me – see outline of work completed.

(a) 4. Risk Management Arrangements

Review of the minutes did not identify any unusual financial activity. **No risk assessment has been undertaken during 2024/2025.** Insurance cover appropriate and adequate.
The Clerk wished to note that Financial Reports are prepared every meeting and copies of Bank Statements sent to Councillor M. Davies.

(b) 5. Budgetary Controls

Council has prepared an annual budget in support of its precept. Actual expenditure against the budget **only reported verbally** to the council.
Note/comment: Copies of a budget report for the year was sent to every member.

(ii) Cais am Arian/Request for financial support

Requests for financial support had been received from the following:
(a) Menter Bro Dinefwr
(b) CISS – Cancer Information and support
(c) Kids Charity – provide a range of services for young disabled people and their families
(d) Cilycwm Play Area (balance sheet included)

The above requests were discussed and it was agreed to give only to "Cilycwm Play Area" a donation of £400.00 to cover their insurance.

(iii) Cadarnhau Taliadau/Confirmation of Payments

Cheque No. 000782 – Menter Cilycwm - £129.90
Cheque No. 000783 – Tywi Pylons - £100.00
Cheque No. 000784 – V. L. Llewellyn - £265.00
Cheque No. 000785 – Clerks Wages - £556.80
Cheque No. 000786 – HMRC/NIC - £147.45
Cheque No. 000787 – Cilycwm Play Area - £400.00

Precept

A precept payment of £2,666.67 (August)

(iv) Receipts

(v) Biliau l'w talu/Bills for payment

6. Materion Cymunedol/Community Matters

(a) Cilycwm Community Association

The Community Association had been closed. Jan Lucas had taken on the work of the website.

(b) Menter Cilycwm

Phase 1 was ongoing and the work should be completed by March in order to honour the Funding.
Phase 2 - Planning department required an Environmental Licence. Hopefully funding would be received from the National Lottery.
While this work would be in progress there would be no internet in the building. Following a discussion Councillor L. Holdaway agreed to enquire for a temporary meeting place.
Possibly at the Function Room at Tywi Bridge, we would need to give a contribution for using their facilities.
Facebook page and the website was discussed briefly.

7. Materion Cynllunio/Planning Matters (July 2025)

Carmarthenshire County Council – PL/09714 – Demolition and construction of 3 similar sized buildings – Brynllan, Cilycwm

Carmarthenshire County Council PL/09524 – Pole replacement – land at Troedrhiw Beynon, Rhandirmwyn.

There were no issues/comments.

8. Llwybrau Cyhoeddus & Priffyrdd/Footpaths and Highway issues

(a) Access to the footbridge over the river which flows down from Mynydd Mallaen
The Clerk to contact PRoW for any updates regarding evidence of use.

(b) Footpath 8/10
The Clerk to contact PRoW for any updates required the request for further information.

9. Other matters

9 (r) Lan Fawr/Bryn Rhudd – Bute Energy onshore Wind Energy Parks
9 (s) Waun Maenllwyd Energy Park – Belltown Power
Bute Energy/Green GEN Cymru/Nant yr Ast and Ty Llwyd Wind Turbines- Bryncadwgan (Galileo)
A total of 80 Wind Turbine altogether would be built. Bryncadwgan were responsible for 19 and the closing date for the consultation is Wednesday, 1st October, 2025. Possibly 4 or 5 out of the 19 comes into Cilycwm Parish. This was discussed and Councillor L. Holdaway (Chair) agreed to respond to the consultation on behalf of the Community Council, copies to be sent to everyone for any additions. There was a possibility that the "blade station" would be in Llanwrda.
The next consultation for Green GEN Cymru is 2026. Lan Fawr site is east of Tregaron and across Ceredigion and Carmarthenshire and they propose to build and operative an energy park of up to 40 turbines. Bryn Rhudd is located in Ceredigion and propose to build an energy park of approx.. 15 turbines.
This work will last maybe seven to eight years. A discussion followed regarding the effects of these Wind Turbines on our roads, landscapes, etc.

9 (t) Water leak – Siloh
Dwr Cymru had asked for our permission to move the Notice Board and Defibrillator while they repair a leak in the ground. Permission was given on condition that everything be put back in place. Councillor M. Paul had removed the defibrillator while the leak was being repaired.

10. Date of next meeting
The next meeting would be held on 4th November, 2025. Venue to be advised, the Clerk to attend remotely.