CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Cilycwm Community Council held on Tuesday 6th January, 2026 at Home Farm, Cilycwm due to being no internet connection at Capel y Groes/
Clerk attended remotely.

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Present:
Chairman: Councillor L. Holdaway
Councillors: Aled Edwards, Moira Davies, Matthew Paul, Jamie Pickup
County Councillor Arwel Davies

1. Ymddiheuriadau a datganiadau o fudd/Apologies and declarations of interest
Datgan o fudd/Declarations of Interest
Menter Cilycwm – Aled Edwards
Tilhill Forestry – Aled Edwards
Bute Energy/Green GEN Cymru - County Councillor Arwel Davies

Ymddiheuriadau/Apologies
Councillor E. Lewis, Councillor H. Jones

2. Cofnodion y cyfarfod a gynhaliwys 18fed Tachwedd, 2025 a 18fed Rhagfyr, 2025/Minutes of the meeting held 18th November, 2025 and 18th December, 2025
Minutes were accepted as correct.
The Clerk was asked to amend the following:
Minute 7 – Planning Consultation PL/10220 – amend house to read dwelling and amend to read Dol-Croiddur and not Croiddur
Proposed by Councillor Aled Edwards and seconded by Councillor Moira Davies, these had already been discussed at 18th December, 2025 meeting.

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

9 (1) River erosion – Highway issues
The river erosion continued to be a dangerous situation, this was discussed and agreed to organise a site visit and the Chairman to be invited.

9 (k) Bute Energy/Green GEN Cymru/Nant yr Ast and Ty Llwyd Wind Turbines – Bryncadwgan
These issues were discussed, many various correspondence and updates had been received and copies distributed to everyone.

9 (u) Tilhill Forestry
County Councillor A. Davies had been reporting any issues affecting the highway, Councillor Aled Edwards would liaise with the Chairman.

9 (w) Defibrillators – CBS Bleed Kits
Llandovery Rotary had donating Bleed Kits for the defibrillators in the area, need to ensure that each one in the Cilycwm area are covered.

4. Gohebiaeth/Correspondence

(a) Llais y Goedwig (NRW)
(b) One Voice Wales Biodiversity Section 6 ****
It would be necessary to place a report regarding Biodiversity on the website
(c) SDP consultation
(d) Hywel Dda clinical consultation
(e) One Voice Wales E Bulletin issue 13
(f) Mentrus Community Grants
(g) Emergency Road Closure U4101 Ffaldybrenin
(h) Lan Fawr Webinar
(i) Bryn Rhudd webinar
(j) One Voice Wales E Bulletin14
(k) Llandovery Pylon – Nant Mithil consultation
(l) Teifi/Usk minutes
(m) One Voice Wales E Bulletin 15
(n) LDP – Rural Wales, bring communities together
(n) Buckingham Palace Garden Party
The Chairman was unable to attend, it was agreed to pass the invitation to the Vice Chairman

(i) Adroddiad Ariannol/Financial Report

Copies of the financial report had been forwarded to everyone and copies of the bank statements were included with Councillor M. Davies

Precept

Copies of the expenditure for 2024/2025 expenditure and a Financial Statement had been sent to everyone. Following a discussion, it was agreed that there would be no increase with the precept. It would remain at £8,000.00. The Chairman signed the official paperwork, which would be returned to the Clerk.

VAT

A VAT claim of £614.65 had been received, with details placed with the financial report.

S137 donations

The sum is £11.60 per ratepayer.

(ii) Cais am Arian/Request for financial support

No further requests

(iii) Cadarnhau Taliadau/Confirmation of Payments

Carmarthenshire County Council – lanterns to led - £208.50

(iv) Derbyniadau/Receipts

Thank you letter from Y Lloffwr
Thank you letter from Wales Air Ambulance

(v) Biliau I'w Talu/Bills for payment

None

6. Materion Cymunedol/Community Matters

(a) Menter Cilycwm

Councillor Aled Edwards gave a brief but concise report on what was happening with the work at Capel y Groes. There had been a break over the Christmas period but the architects, contractors were going at an amazing pace in order to reach the deadly for grants.

There had been a meeting with Jason Lawday regarding upgrading the main road to Capel y Groes and making it disability friendly. Councillor Arwel Davies was thanked for assisting with information regarding the surface water.

(b) Closure of Cilycwm Church

At a meeting on Sunday, 23rd November 2025 the Acting Rural Dean, Dr Marc Rowlands did inform the congregation present that the churchyard burials was a separate issue from the proposed closure of the Church and that burials would be allowed.
The Acting Rural Dean did explain the reasons and the process for the Church closure.
The Acting Rural Dean mentioned that it may be opened as a Pilgrim Church.

On the 18th December 2025 some members of Cilycwm Community Council were invited to meet members and officials of Cilycwm Church to discuss the proposed closure. Members/electors on the Church Parish Role and Standing Orders will be updated on receipt of further information. The Community Council members present gave their support to any work being carried out. A public meeting may be called as not everyone in the village and community knew what officials had resigned and that their help was needed.
As stated in the previous meeting Councillor M Paul would be available if he could be of any assistance to ensure that Cilycwm Church remains open.

A well supported "Plygain Service" was held on Sunday, 11th January 2026.

The well attended last service "A Eucharist in Celebration and Thanksgiving for the Life work and Witness of St. Michaels, Cilycwm" was held on Sunday, 25th January 2026 and within the Order of Service there was "A Time of Rememberance".

8. Llwybrau Cyhoeddus & Priffyrdd/Public Footpaths and Highway Issues

(b) Access to the footbridge over the river which flows down from Mynydd Mallaen - No further updates received.

(c) Footbridge 8/10 – No further information received.

9. Other matters

None.

10. Date and venue of next meeting

The next meeting would be held on Tuesday 3rd March, 2026 at 7.30 p.m. Venue to be advised. The Clerk to attend remotely.