

**The Ordinary Meeting of Llanfrynach Community Council took place on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 7.30 at Llanfrynach and Cantref Community Hall.**

**In attendance**

Cllr. Jackie Williams, Cllr. Julia Phillips and Cllr. Charles de-Winton

Also In attendance: Mrs Keren Bender – Clerk

**Councillors agreed to appoint Cllr Jackie Williams to Chair the meeting.**

**1. Apologies for absence**

County Councillor Raiff Devlin.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

were no declarations of interest.

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**3. Approval of minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

**4. Matters arising from the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

There were no matters arising.

**5. Approval of minutes from Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025.**

Minutes of the meeting on the 26<sup>th of</sup> June 2025 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

**6. Matters arising from the minutes of Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025.**

There were no matters arising that were not on the agenda.

**7. Councillor Resignations and Councillor Vacancy Process to Date**

It was reported that the two Community Councillors had resigned from the Community Council, Cllr Phil Kendrick and Cllr Roger Seymour. Both resignations were reported to Electoral Services at Powys County Council. Both Vacancies were advertised on the website, Facebook and all notice boards.

The process is to advertise the vacancy and invite residents to apply in writing to the Returning Officer at Powys County Council to request an election. Neither of the vacancies received a request for an election.

The next part of the process is to advertise the vacancy through a Notice of Co-Option, the notice was placed on the Website, Facebook and all notice boards, inviting residents to apply to be considered for co-option to the Clerk of the Community Council.

**8. Co-option Applications**

There were no applications to consider.

## **9. Public Participation - provision for members of the public to speak.**

There were no members of the public in attendance

## **10. Correspondence and Information**

### **Two emails received from Mr W. Rees, a resident from Llanfrynach Village.**

The first email dated 1<sup>st</sup> August asked if it was time for Community Council elections. The Clerk responded and explained the process of filling Community Councillor vacancies.

The second email dated 4<sup>th</sup> August asked why the July meeting had been cancelled. The clerk responded stating there were not enough Councillors in attendance and that the agenda would be held over until the September meeting. **Noted**

### **Welsh Water's Cwm Taf Water Supply Strategy Update**

Welsh Water wrote to explain its intention to deliver its pre-application consultation in the Autumn. **Noted**

## **11. Llanfrynach and Cantref Community Hall and Ty Bach update.**

It was reported that work on the new boiler will begin in October.

The trustees will hold its AGM on the 9<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Donations received for Ty Bach would enable it to stay open .

## **12. Groesffordd Village Hall update.**

Following the resignation of Cllr Phil Kendrick, Cllr De-Winton agreed to attend future meetings. Clerk to inform Groesffordd Village Hall Trustees. **Action Clerk**

## **13. Replacement Boundary Fence at Groesffordd- update**

J Thomas Tree Services had forwarded a revised quote which had been accepted. Clerk has instructed Mr Thomas to carry out the work and had received a reply that the work would commence the last week in September. When completed Cllr De Winton will inspect the work and instruct the Clerk to pay the invoice. **Action Cllr De Winton and Clerk**

## **14. Highways Issues:**

Following the road resurfacing through Llanfrynach Village, the yellow lines had not been reinstated, Clerk to inform the Highways Department. **Action Clerk**

### **15. Planning Applications.**

25/23745/FUL – Decision Notice – Replace existing oil boiler with air source pump at 2, Victoria Close Llanfrynach . **Noted**

25/24056/CPE- Cwm Oergwm isaf, Llanfrynach – Application for Certificate of Lawful Development. Following a discussion there were no observations or objections raised.

ENF/24/02522/BCP2- Tir Hir, Llanfrynach Brecon LD3 7LQ- Update.

The Enforcement Officer at Beacons National Parks has written to the Community Council stating a site inspection is being arranged to measure for comparison to plans. It is anticipated that the inspection will take place within 21 days. **Noted**

### **16. County Councillor Report.**

Due to other commitments County Councillor Raif Devlin was not in attendance to present a report.

### **17. Website Update**

The Clerk reported that following the resignation of Cllr Seymour, he had agreed to continue posting documents on the website and to train up the Clerk to take over this responsibility. The Councillors also suggested the Clerk contacts Parish Online, the website hosts to ascertain if they could also offer a training course, the Chair said if they did offer training, she would also attend alongside the Clerk. **Action Clerk**

### **18 Playground Equipment.**

The Porthole on the side of the slide had been damaged; however, it has been made safe. Clerk to order a replacement. **Action Clerk**

### **19. Local Government Pay Awards 2025-26**

The Clerk presented the Local Government Pay Awards paper from NALCO. It was agreed to increase the Clerks salary on scale SPC12, from £14.36 to £14.82 per hour. Chair to forward an email confirming the Community Councils decision to be forwarded to payroll services. **Action Chair and Clerk**

### **20. Member Allowance Annual Timetable of Actions**

The Clerk presented the paper from One Voice Wales, Member Allowance Annual Timetable of Actions, which showed Community Councillors allowance had been increased from £150 to £156 per annum and also reported that it was tax free. All Councillors decided not to take the allowance. Councillors to put in writing their wishes to Clerk. **Action All Councillors**

## **21. Financial Matters**

### **a. Bank Balance**

The Clerk reported the bank balance as of 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025 stood at £18,466.26 which included the precept received on the 29<sup>th</sup> August of £4176.00

### **b. Invoices and Payments for approval**

Clerk salary and HMRC payments, June, July, August and September  
Sam Williams – Grass Cutting -Invoice 465- £360 and Invoice 466- £280  
Pavo – Payroll Services Qtr. 1 Invoice 3061--£36

## **22. Annual Audit Returns – Update**

The Clerk reported she had completed the full audit and taken the Audit Returns including all additional required documents by the deadline to the Wales Audit Office in Cardiff. Awaiting the Annual Audit Returns report.

**The meeting closed and the Councillors went on to discuss a confidential item that the press and public were excluded from.**

**Date of next meeting will take place on Thursday the 20th November 2025 at 7.30pm as a hybrid meeting in Llanfrynach and Cantref Community Hall**