

CYNGOR TREF LLANWRTYD WELLS TOWN COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of the Hybrid Council Meeting on Wednesday 16th April 2025 at 7pm

Attending: Cllrs M. Pigott, J. Davies, C. Rickard, G. Watkins, S. Jones, A. Jones, County Cllr P. James and Cheryl Hood (Town Clerk).

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PCSO not able to attend due to attending incident.

178. Apologies: Cllrs L.Pace-Avery and N. Price

179. Minutes of the March meeting and Matters arising -

Minutes agreed as a true reflection of the March Meeting proposed by Cllr Davies, seconded by County Cllr James.

180. Finance:

180.a March balance sheet considered. Discussion about outstanding cheques. March accounts were signed off as accurate. Proposed by Cllr A. Jones and seconded by Cllr Rickard.

180.b Cheques and Credit Card payments for Authorisation – No cheques at this time. Welsh Water expenditure for Public Toilets Action: - Clerk to contact Welsh Water for a meter to be installed in the Public Toilets.

180c. Audit 2024/25 – Audit in process. Hope to have a Finance Meeting in a few weeks' time before bringing back to table.

180d. Online banking in progress - Barclays sending through necessary paperwork.

180e. Clerks extra hours for Land Registration Paperwork - Agreed extra 6 hrs for next 2 months

181. Councillor Updates -

- Dolwen Fields Dolwen Fields Recreation for all to be wound up and Friends of Dolwen Fields group to be founded. Will need new Memorandum of Understanding. Action - Clerk to action Also, River Irfon Project will be installing ponds as agreed previously. The soli survey found that the land will not hold water for the pond, so water butts would be installed to top the pond up. Trail cameras to be installed to monitor what species would be observed using the pond. County Cllr James asked if the Festival Committee were going to clad the container, like the Cambrian Archers container, on Dolwen Field. It is believed it is but Clerk to ask the question of the Festival Committee.
- **Twinning** Residents from Meriel were visiting Llanwrtyd for a few days from the 21st April. This was not an official visit. There would be a breakfast event in the Neuadd Arms, which Twinning Association would be paying for, Tues was a French Evening in the Victoria Hall. There was a planned trip to Cesky Krumlov from the 12-16 October, £469 for flight and B&B.
- Sustainable Powys Meeting Last meeting was cancelled. There is another one planned for next month but this being organised by Powys Council. County Cllr James suggested that we have one as we did before with local Town and Community Councils to discuss what we want as smaller Councils. Also to ask the Fire Station Manager to the meeting for an update. Around the 6th May for the meeting to take place. Action- Clerk to arrange.

182. CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSION REGARDING VICTORIA HALL 20:05 **SESSION REOPENED 20:25**

183. Update on Powys Matters affecting Llanwrtyd Wells:

- Traffic Lights - unfortunately the lights will not be removed as we were previously informed as it will involve part or full road closure overnight.

Drains - State of the pipework has been investigated and new pipework has gone behind the garage and the houses on Beulah Road, which the residents have paid for themselves. Powys Council are still waiting on the grant from Welsh Government to fund further works here. Nothing is being mentioned about the outlet into the river. Need to still put pressure on MS and MP with regard to this. Action - Clerk to contact MS Jane Dodds and MP James Evans. Also need to look at Natural Flood Defences, including Loftwen. On a positive note, the drainage at the Woolen Mill is a lot better.

- Victoria Road - Request to extend the 20mph further up Victoria Road due to speeding traffic.

- **Scaffolding on Chapel** - Can we see how much longer the scaffolding is going to up around the Chapel as it is impacting on the amount of parking available and has increased the parking along the road by the bridge. **Action** - Clerk to send letter.

- 184. Planning Applications received and Decisions No planning applications decisions had been received. Planning Applications Ref: 25/0511/HH Court House, Station Road. It was noted that the application had not been posted at the front or the back of the property. This needed to be reported as it is not in line with Planning Application procedure. No decision was made by the Council until the Planning Application was properly displayed. Action - Clerk to contact Powys Planning to notify.
- **185.** Training Cllr Rickard reported back on the training she had attended, namely two units on Community Engagement and recommended it.
- **186. Draft Vexatious Policy** Policy adopted proposed by County Cllr James and Seconded By Cllr Rickard All in favour.
- 187. E-Bike Launch Llanwrtyd Wheels Launch down on Dolwen Fields on the 12th April. Some teething problems. Would it be possible to use the Bus Shelter shed, not the gardening club and Festival lights have been relocated. Proposed by Cllr Davies and seconded by Cllr Van-Rees, all in favour. Cllr Davies would liaise with Cllr Price.
- **188.** Dolafon School Cllr Davies read out a letter from the Cllr Pace-Avery regarding changes at the school. There was to be an EGM on 24.04.2025.Twinning Association
- **189. V.E. Day Celebrations** Church Service on Sunday 11th May followed by a Picnic in the Park in the afternoon **Action**: Clerk to put advert into Grapevine.
- 190. Correspondence received -
 - Mid Wales Public Convenience Fund Date for meeting to be arranged
 - Compassionate Communities in Wales Thurs 8th May 10-4 Cardiff
 - Car boot Sale on Dolwen Field Request will now be in Victoria Hall as table top sale
 - Message ref. Ty Hafan Children's Hospice Clerk to respond to sender.

191. Any other business for inclusion on next month's Agenda.

Contact Tillhill reference meeting – Toilet leaks fixed in Abergwesyn Toilets – Man v's Horse route, The Garn. – Tir Gorsaf – Sewer outfall – Postbox at Hefron Springs missing

Councillors are reminded that if there is anything they would like on the agenda for next month it needs to be submitted to the Clerk a week before the next meeting.

Date of next meeting - 21/05/2025

Meeting closed at 21:38 Verified at meeting on the 21/05/2025 Minutes Amended: Yes/No Signed off by Chair: