# MINUTES OF LLANDYFAELOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4 SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 7.30PM

**1. Present:** Cllrs Philip Davies (Chairman), Nicola Jones, Janet Knott, Shan Rees, Elfyn Williams, Meinir James, Eifion Jones, Jenny Jones, Carys Thomas, Rheinallt Jones, County Councillor Tyssul Evans and Arfon Davies (Clerk).

Apologies: Cllr Viv Davies.

The Chairman extended the Council's condolences to Cllr Janet Knott on the loss of her brother. The Chairman noted the Council's sorrow at the loss of former Councillor Huw John.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations.

## 3. Public Participation

It was noted that no Members of the public were in attendance on this occasion.

4. Minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025 were confirmed and signed.

### 5. Matters Arising

- **1. Green Gen** Council awaited further information on the matter. Noted.
- 2. Planning application, PL/02147 in property in woodland area Idole to Pentrepoeth Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
- 3. Concerns relating to parking on double yellow lines in Llandyfaelog Council awaited further updates on the matter. Further complaints had been received on the matter and the Clerk will again chase an update. It was also noted that an emergency vehicle had not been able to attend to a patient in the village over the weekend period as a result of vehicles blocking the road. Noted.
- **4. FP29/4 Pentrepoeth** Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
- 5. Planning Enforcement Issues at fields in Idole Confirmation was received that an enforcement notice was served on the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025 which was not appealed. The compliance period was set at 6 months, enforcement would therefore visit after the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2026 to check on compliance. Noted.
- **6. National Grid Substation in Llandyfaelog Area –** Council had met with the substation team on the 10<sup>th</sup> July and provided a comprehensive response to the consultation. A response and further information was now awaited.
- **7.** Road safety issues at Bancycapel Council awaited the consultation on a proposed no-overtaking zone for the area. Noted.
- **8. Council Chairman's Chain –** The Clerk continued to seek prices for new name badges for the Chain.
- 9. Tree cutting in Croesyceiliog FP 29 4/1 and 4/2 Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.

- 10. Pont Rhydyronnen Council received confirmation that the County Council intended to provide improved signage to discourage large vehicles from attempting to cross the bridge. Noted.
- 11.PL/09369 1-3 Gelligaeros Trading Estate, Cwmffrwd, Carmarthen, SA32 8DJ Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
- **12. Maesglasnant, Cwmffrwd** Council received confirmation that the matter continued to move towards litigation. Noted.
- **13. Concerns regarding traffic speeds from Pibwrlwyd at Bolahaul Road Junction –** Confirmation was received that the Police had visited the area on the 21<sup>st</sup> July with 4 vehicles noted over the speed limit. The Clerk had requested information on next steps.
- 14. Teifi/Tywi link Community Councils Meeting for Community and Town Councils in areas impacted by the pylon project Minutes of the latest meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025 were circulated. Noted.
- **15. Heol Ddu Solar Park –** The Chairman noted his interest. The Clerk noted that a renewed application for dispensations had been made by members (other than the Council Chairman) which had been approved with dispensation granted for members to 'speak, vote and make representations' on the matter. Noted.
- **16. No through road sign, Garthowen to Bryngors –** Confirmation was received that provision of a sign had been approved for this location. Noted.
- **17. Community Benefit in relation to Planning Applications –** Confirmation was received that there did not appear to be specific guidance on the matter. Comments should therefore be raised when applications are received. Noted.

#### 6. Correspondence

- **1. One Voice Wales –** Minutes of Carmarthen Area Committee meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025. Noted.
- 2. Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Calon Tan Newsletter. Noted.
- 3. One Voice Wales E-bulletin. Noted.
- 4. West Wales Safer Communities Network Rural Crime Survey. Noted.
- 5. Public Services Ombudsman for Wales Newsletter. Noted.
- **6. One Voice Wales –** Practice Development Note Members Allowances. Noted
- 7. One Voice Wales Training dates July September. Noted.
- 8. Carmarthenshire County Council Notice of change of the temporary road closure of the U2219 and C2074 Uplands Arms from the 15th September for 5 days to the 21/8/25 to 23/8/25 (U2219) and 18/8/25 to 20/8/25 (C2074). Noted.
- 9. Carmarthenshire County Council Temporary road closure along the unclassified U2211, Ferryside (SA17 5TP) from its junction with the unclassified road leading to Pentrecwn Farm to its junction with Cwmburry Road, Ferryside for a distance of 460 metres in a general South Easterly direction from Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2025 for a period of three days. Noted.
- **10. Carmarthenshire County Council** Temporary road closure along the unclassified U2211, Ferryside (SA17 5TP) from its junction with the unclassified road leading to Pentrecwn Farm to its junction with Cwmburry Road, Ferryside for a distance of 460 metres in a general South Easterly direction from Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2025 09:30-15:30. Noted.

- 11. Carmarthenshire County Council Temporary road closure along that length of road known as the U2219 Uplands, Carmarthen from its junction with the C2074 Uplands (SA32 8DZ) for a distance of 460 metres in a north westerly direction from 09:30 hours on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 to 15:30 Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Noted.
- **12. Carmarthenshire County Council** notice that from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025 for a period of three days between the hours of 09:30 and 15:30 a traffic order is prohibiting up to 15 minutes delay of any vehicular traffic from proceeding along a length of road known as the U2211 between the properties Trelymsi and the junction of the C2074 for a distance of 475 metres in a North Westerly direction. Noted.
- **13. Carmarthenshire County Council –** Town and Community Council's Update. Noted.
- **14. Dyfed Powys Police and Crime Commissioner –** Annual report 2024-25. Noted.
- 15. Older Peoples Commissioner for Wales Newsletter. Noted.
- **16. Carmarthenshire County Council –** Code of Conduct Training information. Noted.
- **17. Carmarthenshire County Council –** Information on the All Wales Play Opportunities Grant. Noted.
- 18. Dyfed Powys Police and Crime Commissioner Bulletin. Noted.
- 19. Carmarthenshire County Council Temporary road closure along the unclassified U2211, Ferryside (SA17 5TP) from its junction with the unclassified road leading to the property Coed yr Enfys to its junction with the unclassified Cwmburry Road, Ferryside leading to the property Trelymsi for a distance of 447 metres in a South/South Easterly direction from Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2025 for a period of three days between the hours of 09:30-15:30 hours. Noted.
- 20. Carmarthenshire County Council Temporary road closure along that length of road known as the C2074 Uplands, Carmarthen from its junction with the U2219 Uplands for a distance of 927 metres in a south westerly direction from 09:30 hours on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025 to 15:30 hours on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Noted.
- 21. Carmarthenshire County Council Notice that on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025 between the hours of 09:30 and 15:30 a traffic order prohibiting up to 15 minutes delay of any vehicular traffic from proceeding along a length of road known as the U2211 between the properties Trelymsi and Blaengwastad for a distance of 443 metres in a South Westerly direction will be put in place. Noted.
- **22. Carmarthenshire County Council** Temporary road closure along the C2073 Croesyceiliog from a point 990 metres north-west of its junction with the A484, for a distance of 190 metres in a northerly direction on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025 for a period of 5 days. Noted.
- **23. One Voice Wales** Information on the Annual Conference and AGM to be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> October. The AGM originally arranged for the 3<sup>rd</sup> September had been cancelled due to low attendance. Members will let the Clerk know if they were available and wished to attend.

- **24.Welsh Government -** Consultation on extending the duty on local authorities to broadcast meetings. Noted.
- **25. Carmarthenshire County Council –** Confirmation of payment of 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the 2025-26 precept, being £10,333.33. Noted.
- **26. Cymdeithas yr laith** Invitation to a Future of Carmarthenshire's Rural Welsh Speaking Communities event on the 27<sup>th</sup> September. Noted.
- 27. One Voice Wales Newsletter. Noted
- 28. Barclays Bank Statements. Noted.
- **29. Llandyfaelog Community Hall Committee –** Request for a letter of support towards a grant application being made for funding towards re-development of the Hall building. A letter of support will be provided.
- 30. Clerks and Council's Direct Magazine Noted.

#### 7. Idole Field and Council Amenities

**1.** Prices were received for the tree survey at Idole Field and Tir Gof as follows:

Arb Team £480.00
Crown Tree Consultancy £550.00
Arb Tech £589.00
The price from the Arb Team was approved.

2. Damage was noted to the BBQ at Idole Field. This will be reported to the Council Handyperson.

# 8. Community Handyperson

The Clerk confirmed 28 hours worked in July and August with a cost of £644.00 per month agreed. Grass cutting for July and August with a cost of £322.00 per month was also agreed.

## 9. Community Events 2025

## 1. Garden and Community Effort Competition

The Chairman noted the success of the Garden Competition event with costs as follows approved for payment:

- Buffet £166.53
- Trophies £64.00
- Prizes £150.00

Thanks were expressed to the competition judges and photographer It was noted that there had been no entries in the Community Effort Competition. This will be revisited for 2026.

#### 2. Remembrance Sunday

Arrangements for Remembrance Sunday were discussed.

#### 10. Planning

- **1. PL/09613** Proposed rear single storey extension with pitched roof Upland Arms Farm, Uplands, Carmarthen, SA32 8DX. No objections.
- 2. PL/09725 Proposed replacement dwelling to include extension of garden curtilage of dwelling, and siting of temporary caravan for the duration of construction works Nant Yr Haul, Cwmffrwd, Carmarthen, SA31 2LX. No objections.

#### 11. Accounts

# The following payments were approved:

1.	Description	Salary	Expenses	Total Gross	Tax Deducted	Employers NI Contribution	Net Pay
Arfon Davies	August Salary, backpay and costs	£775.54 £96.22	£26.00 £95.40 £27.84 £166.53 £64.00	£1,251.53	£348.80	£68.21	£902.73
Arfon Davies	July Salary	£751.49	£26.00	£777.49	£300.40	£50.17	£477.09

Receipt of the 2025-26 pay award was noted with full time salary being £34,434 (£9,306.49 fte)

2. Arfon Davies £150.00 Garden Competition Prizes
 3. Michael Leefe £644.00 Grass cutting July and August (see item 8)

**4. Michael Leefe** £1,288.00 Handyperson July and August (see item 8)

## 12. Any other business

- 1. The Clerk confirmed the reporting of the following matters to the County Council:
  - a. Full bin at Llandyfaelog.
  - **b.** Weed spraying and hedge cutting at Llandyfaelog.
- **2.** The Clerk will check in relation to when the community bus shelters were due to be cleaned.
- **3.** Community events were noted as follows:
  - a. 23<sup>rd</sup> September Harvest Thanksgiving;
  - b. 29th September Hall Fund raising curry evening;
  - c. 13<sup>th</sup> September Llandyfaelog Show.

The next meeting of Council will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025.