

Minutes of Llansantffraid Glyn Ceiriog Community Council held on the 22nd June 2026

Yn Hedyn Mwstard

PRESENT: Councillors Sarah Davies (Chair); Richard Jones; Elinor Jones; Trevor Bates; Jonathan Pritchard; Christina Brewin (CA); Jean Davies (Clerk)

Agenda No	Details	Minutes	Action
1	Welcome and apologies	Apologies: Eric Jones; Barbara Roberts; Robert Jones; Jane Bates; Phillip Lloyd	
2.	Discussion with NWP`	Not present and no crime figures received – NWP website crime figures out of date! Clerk stated that she had been asked to invite NWP to the 3-council meeting in September but as yet had not received a reply from the PCSO as to who to invite!	
3.	Discussion with CA	Ms Brewin reported that her case load is stable – although a lot of her time is taken up in Ceiriog Uchaf at the moment – this does fluctuate though and is not indicative of a trend. The mentoring scheme – Ffrind – is moving forward – she is trying to establish if C in W will help to finance the cost of DBS checks and she has secured a facilitator to deliver the safeguarding training. She stated that HM was going to donate £140 towards the scheme and Ceiriog Uchaf £150	
4.	Expressions of Interest	Councillor Bates – Planning	
5.	Confirmation or otherwise of previous meeting	Minutes of previous meeting confirmed as accurate and signed accordingly (May)	
6	Matters arising	Request for Plaque on grave in cemetery – Councillor Bates had met with the family of the late Christine Nash – and apparently it was agreed that a precedent had been set – with a plaque being placed on another grave. The Clerk had stipulated at the time that the plaque should lean on the gravestone already there but it appears that this had been ignored. Under the circumstances this request had to be granted. Feedback from Street scene regarding pot hole by Y	

		Dryll and road sweeper from Pont Bell towards Dolywern - despite Clerk emailing Street scene regarding this no response as yet received! Any other matter not listed	
7	LA Representative report -	Gelli Lane – following a section S171 licence from WCBC the lane will be blocked for 18 months for work to be undertaken by the owner. National Park proposal – it would appear that NRW did not consult directly with CC's as to the views of Councillors on the proposal. Poverty – assessed that 25% of residents in the Ceiriog Valley live in poverty – this is lower than the national average – although due to 'hidden poverty' this may not be a true picture. Fire Brigades gaining access to property in the Garth - Councillor Bates had been liaising with NW Fire Service who had agreed to send smaller vehicles to the Garth due to narrowness of the lane. Dwr Cymru – investing substantial amount in Glyn Ceiriog over the next twelve months NRW – planning to fell trees and place them in the river to try to avoid flooding further down stream Planning applications and Betsi Cadwallader - Councillor Bates stated that Betsi Cadwallader Health Board don't comment on planning applications (especially large ones) and how it would impact on primary care services and the Maelor Hospital. WCBC – Councillor Bates reported that W. CBC showed a deficit of £14.5 million at the end of March. Ffos Ddwr - Despite Councillor Bates's best efforts a resolution is still not forthcoming Canolfan Ceiriog - The centre has agreed a contract for Inpost lockers to be situated at the Canolfan – however the initial cost is £650 for a WCBC licence – but it is hoped that following this cost the scheme will generate income of around £900 p.a.	
8	Reports	No reports	
9	Discussion/decisions	Pride in Place (PIP) - Clerk updated Council that 4 bids had gone in for the PIP grant – New GVT; Canolfan Ceiriog; Insitute and this Council (toilet refurbishment). Response from WCBC encouraging although they needed two more quotes each from New GVTI Canolfan Ceiriog; and Insitute and confirmation from the owners of the toilet block who the CC was leasing it from that they gave permission for this to be done. Clerk had contacted the other bidders for them to arrange two more quotes and she is liaising with WCBC Legal department regarding the lease. Hedyn Mwstard Youth Provision - response from Hedyn Mwstard management regarding points raised in email from	

		WCBC youth service was read to Council and Councillors agreed the issues raised had been answered with no concerns. Clerk to inform Richard Thomas of WCBC Insitute Clock - Clerk had had a telephone conversation with Smiths of Derby who stated that the call out fee was £750 – this included travelling/labour and basic maintenance/check of the clock if it needed more work then the £750 initial fee would be deducted from the total cost. Clerk to let Insitute Committee that the CC was prepared to meet the callout cost and then decision made regarding any further cost. Community Pride- Councillor Pritchard had undertaken some research into this to see if a similar scheme had taken place elsewhere – He and Councillor Davies agreed to meet to explore further and report back to Council	
10.	Letters of thanks		
11.	Correspondence	a. Bank Statement; Statement of income/expenditure/monthly bank reconciliation - had been circulated by email to Councillors separately and hard copies available during the meeting these were accepted as accepted as accurate. b. WCBC - Email regarding Salt Bins and how many the CC owns. – which is zero – apparently new bins have to be installed to comply with regulation. Email received regarding Community Council areas and possibly reducing the numbers – Clerk asked to respond that although there are 3 councils in the Ceiriog Valley and although the population is low – due to the geography of the Valley, the area , and the difference between various parts of the Valley – no change whatsoever would be preferable Invite to Mayor’s Civic visit to St Giles – NFA c. Welsh Government d. Any other correspondence not listed – Dwr Cymru – this was highlighting that Dwr Cymru is to invest substantial amount over the next twelve months in Glyn Ceiriog, Dolywern and Pontfadog	
12	Planning applications	Amended application – Broad Oak High Street – change of use from shop to dwelling and installation of air source heat pump – no objections	
13	Payments	Outstanding accounts - (section 136 Legislative Powers): - amounts sent separately to Councillors and discussed in Council Christina Brewin John Keene (caretaking) John Keene (Bins) Jean Davies (monthly)	

		EE (monthly bill CA) HMRC Nest Pension British Gas Outstanding invoices to pay: - (section 137 Legislative Powers):	
14	Any other matters not listed	Biodiversity Plan 2026-2028 – Clerk reported that this needs to be drafted asap and once approved by Council and posted on the CC website. 3 Councils meeting – Clerk asked to invite NRW and Dee Valley Trust to the meeting in September. Cylch Meithri/after school club; Councillors were saddened and concerned that Cylch had folded and the after-school club had closed – this due to lack of numbers. WCBC have now agreed to meet cost of 12.5 hours childcare for children from 9 months and the new Welsh Government is committed to provide 30-hour free child care to children – from 9 months in the near future. This seemed like an ideal opportunity to explore how many parents would be interested in this if it was offered in Ysgol Cynddelw. Clerk to speak to Carys Davies, Chair of School Governors.	