

**MINUTES OF LLANDYFAELOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 14 MAY 2026 AT 7.30PM**

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

Apologies: Cllrs Carys Thomas, Viv Davies, Shan Rees and Eifion Jones.

The Clerk read a letter received from Cllr Carys Thomas providing her resignation as a member of the Council. Members noted their sadness at receiving this news. The Clerk will write to Carys to thank her for her service as a Councillor and will write to the County Council to commence arrangements in relation to the election of a new member of the Council.

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 meetings of Council held on the 2nd April 2026 were confirmed and signed.

5. Matters Arising

1. **Green Gen** – Council awaited further updates 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. **Road safety issues at Bancycapel** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
4. **Pont Rhydyronnen** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
5. **PL/09369 - 1-3 Gelligaeros Trading Estate, Cwmffrwd, Carmarthen, SA32 8DJ** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
6. **Maesglasnant, Cwmffrwd** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
7. **Teifi/Tywi link Community Councils – Meeting for Community and Town Councils in areas impacted by the pylon project** – The next meeting would be held on the 19th May 2026. The Clerk had circulated the minutes of the most recent meeting held on the 31st March 2026. Noted.
8. **Road Safety at Llandyfaelog Junction** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
9. **Police attendance at a Council Meeting or Community Outreach event** – It was hoped that the Police Officer will be able to attend the June or July Council meeting.
10. **Planning Enforcement Issues at fields in Idole** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.

11. **Meddygfa Sarn** – It was note that the Hywel Dda University Health Board would be meeting on the 28th May 2026 where the matter would be considered further. Noted.
12. **Planning Enforcement issues relating to the Birds of Prey Centre at Pantgwyn** - Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
13. **PL/10552 - Full planning permission for the erection of a 400kV AIS substation (including platform, access road and associated infrastructure) - Land at Llandyfaelog, Carmarthen** - Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
14. **NGED Substation Project** – A meeting was noted to have taken place on the 24th April 2026 with the NGED substation project with the minutes of the meeting circulated to members.

6. Correspondence

1. **One Voice Wales** – Y Llais Newsletter. Noted.
2. **One Voice Wales** – Training dates. Noted.
3. **One Voice Wales** – E-bulletin. Noted.
4. **Carmarthenshire County Council** – Notification of an emergency road closure of Cwmale, Llandyfaelog on 13/04/2026 between the hours of 09:30 and 15:30 hours. Noted
5. **Carmarthenshire County Council** – Notification of an emergency road closure of the C2074 at Nyth y Wennol on Monday 13/04/26 between the hours of 09:30 and 15:30 hours. Noted.
6. **Gwynt Glas** – Invitation to attend information sessions on the Gwynt Glas Floating Offshore Wind Farm. Noted.
7. **Carmarthenshire County Council** – Notification of a reduced speed limit to 10mph along the Class A Road (A484 Uplands) leading from Pibwrlwyd Roundabout to Llandyfaelog Square, from a point 320 metres south of its junction with the Class C Road (C2073 Croesyceiliog) for a distance of 150 metres in a southerly direction on 13th May 2026 having a maximum duration of 21 days. Noted.
8. **Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue** – Calon Tân Newsletter. Noted.
9. **Carmarthenshire County Council** – Confirmation of payment of 1/3rd of the 2026-27 precept being £11,333.34. Noted.
10. **Carmarthenshire Federation of YFCs** – Invitation for the Chairman to attend the YFC Rally held on the 9th May 2026. The Chairman noted that she had attended. A letter of congratulations will be sent to the club on their success at the Rally.
11. **Dyfed Powys Police and Crime Commissioner** – PCC Bulletin. Noted.
12. **Play for Wales Magazine** – Noted.
13. **Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine** – Noted.
14. **Hywel Dda University Health Board** - Health Board launches refreshed long-term strategy. Noted.
15. **One Voice Wales** – Minutes of the Carmarthen Area Committee meeting held on the 15th April 2026. Noted.
16. **Carmarthenshire County Council - Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan (LDP) 2018 – 2033** – Consultation on the Matters arising changes, Integrated Sustainability Appraisal and the Habitats Regulation Assessment following the Independent Examination of the LDP. Noted.

17. Carmarthenshire County Council – Review of footpaths requesting information on a Byway Open to All Traffic in the Cwmffrwd area. The Clerk will request further information on the request. The Clerk will also contact the County Council Archive Department on the lack of Council records information noted in the email received.

18. One Voice Wales – Information on Biodiversity Packs. Noted.

7. Idole Field and Council Amenities

1. Tree Survey Works

Completion of works by Lampeter Tree Services was confirmed.

8. Community Handyperson

The Clerk confirmed 28 hours worked in April with a cost of £672.00 agreed. Grass cutting for April with a cost of £336.00 was also agreed.

9. One Voice Wales Civility and Respect Pledge

The Clerk presented the amended One Voice Wales Civility and Respect Pledge. Members recalled that they had approved the previous version of the pledge at the January Council meeting. The Council therefore considered the updated Civility and Respect Pledge. The Council agreed to adopt the pledge.

10. General Power of Competence

The Clerk noted that Llandyfaelog Community Council currently met the requirements of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 to remain an eligible Council able to exercise the general power of competence.

Council considered the issues and unanimously agreed a resolution confirming that Llandyfaelog Community Council continues to meet the conditions in accordance with Schedule 4, Part 1 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 and therefore wished to remain an eligible community council able to exercise the general power of competence.

11. Members Payments and Allowances 2026-27

Consideration was given to the deliberations of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales for the 2026-27 year as follows.

Cost of Care – The Council must provide for the reimbursement of necessary costs for the care of dependent children and adults (provided by informal or formal carers) and for personal assistance needs.

This would be reimbursed at the meeting following a claim being submitted to the Clerk. This was noted.

Costs and Expenses 1 – The Council must make available a payment to each of its members of £156 per year towards the extra household expenses (including heating, lighting, power and broadband) of working from home.

This will be paid in March of each year unless a member confirms to the Clerk that they do not wish to claim all, or part of it. This was noted.

Costs and Expenses 2 - Councils must either pay their members £52 a year for the cost of office consumables required to carry out their role, or alternatively councils must enable members to claim full reimbursement for the cost of their office consumables.

It was agreed to provide for reimbursement for the cost of office consumables. This will be paid in March of each year unless a member confirms to the Clerk that they do not wish to claim all, or part of it. This was noted.

Senior Roles – The Council may make available an annual payment of £500 each to from one and a maximum of three members in recognition of specific responsibilities. This is in addition to the £156 and £52 payments for costs and expenses. It was agreed not to take forward this payment.

Travel – The Council can make payments to each of their members in respect of travel costs for attending approved duties. This is optional. This was noted and approved.

Overnight stays – The Council, if a duty requires an overnight stay, may authorise reimbursement of subsistence expenses to its members at the maximum rates as published. This is optional.

This would be reimbursed at the following meeting after a claim is submitted to the Clerk. This was noted and approved.

Financial Loss – The Council can pay financial loss compensation to each of their members, where such loss has occurred, for attending approved duties as published.

This would be reimbursed at the following meeting after a claim is submitted to the Clerk. This was noted and approved.

Attendance Allowance – The Council can pay an attendance allowance for members. The mandatory maximum for each qualifying event is £30 and a member in receipt of financial loss compensation will not be entitled to claim attendance allowance for the same event.

If the council decides in favour of attendance allowances, it must produce a scheme for formal adoption and make provision for it to be publicly available.

Payments for attendance must be in respect of official business or approved duty which are identified in the council's Standing Orders or alternatively by specific resolution. The scheme should specify for which events payments will be made.

4. Information	£52.00	Data Protection Registration
Commissioner's Officer		
5. Zurich Insurance	£658.11	Insurance Policy 2026-17
		See item 12

The Clerk confirmed receipt of the 2025-26 VAT re-claim from HRMC in the sum of £1,066.87.

16. Any other business

1. The Clerk will report the need to cut the junction verges at Glanmorlais to the County Council.

The next meeting of Council will be held on Thursday 4th June 2026.