

LLANYBYDDER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MEETING 20 MAY 2025

1. Chairman's Welcome.

2. In attendance: K Jones, D Owen, M Morris, N Morris, H Jones.

It was good news to welcome Heulwen Jones to her first meeting as a new Councillor with Llanybydder Community Council, and was welcomed by the Clerk.

Letter of resignation was received from T Gordon. Clerk is to acknowledge her resignation.

Letter of resignation was received from C Wagner. Clerk is to acknowledge his resignation.

The Annual meeting was postponed until the 24 June 25, but it was decided the choosing of Chairman & Vice Chair must take place this evening.

New Chairman: K Jones was nominated by D Owen and seconded by N Morris.

New Vice Chairperson: N Morris was nominated by K Jones and seconded by D Owen.

The Chairman and Vice Chairperson were both welcomed by the Clerk and she wished them all the best for the coming year in their new positions with our Council.

Email received from Mrs Indy Perrin, on reflection she did not feel now was a good time to join our Council.

Clerk will now update Electoral Services.

3 PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST.

None.

4. MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed as correct.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES :-

May 2024 - 2.3 - Clerk did contact Mike Dixon, South Wales Sports 07867 988 898. He asked for a plan and sizes of lines. K Jones is now going to measure etc and let the Clerk know asap so the Clerk can supply the information needed. As soon as this plan is received, Clerk is to obtain 3 quotes.

May 2024 - 4.1 – Container – It was decided after all to choose a 20ft container. Clerk is to email Mark Jukes telling him we are reverting back to the 20' container. The gazebos etc were removed from C Wagner's premises and are temporary stored free of charge at the RFC, Llanybydder, by kindness of Andrew Lewis.

Apr 25 5.1 Outside toilet lights - Clerk is to speak to Eddie Davies again in respect of the outside toilet lights at the far end.

Apr 25 5.3 The Zebra has been removed – Matter is in hand.

Apr 25 5.4 Goal posts painting. The Tender is now on display with a closing date of 1//6/25.

Apr 25 6.1 Damaged street sign & pavement – this matter has been reported to Carms CC.

6.12 Kay & James, Ramblers – Kay informed the Clerk they can only attend our meeting on 24/06/25.

6.15 Mr Garside – Carms CC are still looking into Land Registry. D Owen will chase up.

6.16 VE Day – May 8th 2025 – The evening turned out to be well attended. Again, the Clerk wishes to thank both Tania and Gary for all the help. Letter of thanks to be sent to Gary Evans and the Venerable Eileen Davies.

6. NEW LLANYBYDDER MATTERS

6.1 Notice boards – Clerk is to contact Dai Thomas to ask him to clean and service the notice boards, and ask him if it would be possible to have a different backing to the notice boards, e g cork, as it proves difficult to stick or pin any paperwork on. Clerk is to ask Dai his best recommendation in a new backing to the notice boards.

6.2 Toilets – Coin meters. Matter is in hand. There appears to be evidence of drug use in and around the toilets. There is an awful smell of drugs. All to keep a look out for our next meeting.

6.3 Disabled toilets – Door does not close properly unless it is pushed. Clerk is to ask Carms CC who services their toilet doors.

6.4 Potholes Gwrdd Lane. Matter to be reported to Carms CC.

Large potholes bottom square from junction to front of Dolgwm Stores and front of the Black Lion Hotel. Letter to be written to Mrs B Edwards.

6.5 Poplars – Fallen large branch at the park. Clerk is to send a letter to the Proprietor. N Morris inspected the broken branch in the park as part of her Community Council role.

6.6 Picnic bench at the park – It has been vandalised. Malcolm Miller has very kindly offered to carry out the repairs free of charge. Tomos Evans notified the Clerk of this.

7. RHYDCYMERAU MATTERS

None.

8. TEN TOWNS

8.1 Mural – The matter of the mural being painted on the container was discussed.

8.2 A new rural Grant of £2k has now began under the sensory garden GBI small grants scheme relating to green areas. D Owen will deal with this matter.

8.3 New Grant available - N Morris is to let the RFC know this grant is available.

9. COUNCILLOR & CLERK'S TRAINING

(REPORT)

This is an up to date Training Report as at 20/05/25 for Llanybydder Community Council. At present, there are no other Training sessions for now, but may later this year.

This Training Report is prepared as a response to an email received from Mr R Edgecombe in respect of Code of Conduct Training for Town & Community Councils. He did say only 1 session will be held via Zoom on 10/07/25 and there will be no option to attend in person at County Hall.

The following will attend via Zoom at 2pm :-

M Y Beynon (Clerk).
D. Owen.
M. Morris.
H. Jones.

The following will go for the recording method :-

K Jones, Chairman.
N Morris, Vice Chairperson.

Clerk is to complete and return the Code Training Attendance Request to Mr Edgecombe.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Invoice received from Colin Wagner (Tiny Thumb) for £1000.00 for the storage of Llanybydder Community Council market stalls, gazebos and tables for 40 weeks @ £25.00 per week from July 24 to April 25. Clerk is to telephone OVW for advice as there had been no mention from C Wagner during his attendance at our meetings when he was our Chairman for 12 months, that this rather high amount of £1k that an Invoice would be forthcoming. Had C Wagner informed us, which he had plenty of chances to do so at our Council meetings of a charge in the beginning, or expressed his concerns, our Council would have acted sooner. Further delay had been caused due to the current car park works.

10.2 Storage for Llanybydder Community Council - Tania Gordon made an enquiry to the Clerk and asked as to when our boxes etc will be removed from storage at her premises. Clerk informed her it would be as soon as the car park works were complete.

10.3 Dyfed-Powys Police Report May 25 received.

11. PLANNING - None.

12. FINANCE

Bank Statements

NatWest Bank Current A/c	18/04/25 - 19/05/25	£56248.34.
HSBC	01/05/25 - 30/05/25	4150.17.

PAYMENTS

STANDING ORDERS

TALKTALK

22/04/25 Invoice £123.14. (Paid by BACS).

BT

07/05/25 Invoice £4.45.

BT telephoned the Clerk. A new order was being placed for our Council on 8 May 25, with the completion date of 13 May 25. They have at long last resolved their problem.

ON LINE PAYMENTS

07/04/25	EDF	248.39	Toilets electricity.
29/04/25	M Y Beynon	1198.87	Salary 4/25.
29/04/25	HMRC	299.60	Tax 4/25.
01/05/25	K Jones 05/25 Invoice	459.19	Toilets cleaning.
20/05/25	M Y Beynon	1198.87	Salary 5/25.
20/05/25	HMRC	299.60	Tax 5/25.
13/05/25	TalkTalk	123.14	Telephone.
27/05/25	Clear Insurance Management	1765.74	Annual Insurance

M Y BEYNON SALARY

May 25	£1498.47
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Less Tax	299.60
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Payable to Clerk	£1198.87
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INCOME

None.

12 DONATIONS

None.

Donations to date:	S137	£750.00	S19	£0.00
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CHARITY COMMISSION

Matter is in hand.

INTERNAL AUDITOR

Clerk is in the process of completing the Accounts and send them to the Internal Auditor.

AUDIT WALES

This is further information from the Clerk in respect of a minor discrepancy £175.00) between the Accounting Statement and cash book as commented by Audit Wales. When Llanybydder Community Council first went on online banking, the Clerk could not get the system to work, and each time over approximately 3 months, NatWest had to take instructions from the Clerk so they could make the payments for her. They were baffled until 1 member of staff suggested they send me a new card reader, which they did. It was then it was discovered I had a faulty card reader all along. The second card reader has worked perfectly ever since. The discrepancy Audit Wales speaks about is in connection with the Clerk's unpaid tax (1 month). When the Clerk phoned HMRC at that time they informed her the tax was fully paid up to date as the account showed up as clear. They advised her not to pay it again as it would create a credit balance on my account. The Clerk picked up the matter with the Internal Auditor and he agreed it should not be paid, even though he agreed with the Clerk it had not been paid, as only 11 monthly payments had gone through the bank in the year in question. The Clerk will ask the Internal Auditor's advice on how to remove the £175.00 in order for the Accounting Statement and cash book balance correctly in future. The reason for this discrepancy must have been some misunderstanding between NatWest and the Clerk when moving on to online banking. However, after my days as Clerk, this matter may come back and haunt our Council, but at least should HMRC ask for this unpaid tax, it is now minuted for all Councillors to see.

The Annual Accounts y/e 31/03/25 will soon be sent to the Internal Auditor.

FINANCIAL REGULATIONS 2025

Clerk had already forwarded the email that contained the Financial Regulations prior to our meeting. All Councillors to look over for our next meeting.

INSURANCE RENEWAL

Renewal Notice received. Clerk is to pay the amount of £1765.74 and discuss further next month.

14. AOB

None.

Meeting closed 9.20pm.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT ABERDUAR CHAPEL VESTRY

MONDAY JUNE 23 2025 - 7.00pm.