**BUSINESS MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**HELD ON THURSDAY 24th April 2025**

**LLANRHAEADR YM VILLAGE HALL 7.30p.m.**

**PRESENT**

S BAILEY M EDWARDS M E HART D W ROBERTS G BUCKLEY

M B JONES S LEWIS J H MORRIS CLLR ALED DAVIES

ANN KLAGES (Clerk)

**Members of the Public**: None

1. **Meeting opened with a PRAYER by** S Lewis (E)
2. **Apologies for absence –** P DAVIES , T I MORRIS, R T EVANS
3. **Declarations of Interest – None**
4. **Minutes of the March 2025 meeting were read and confirmed, and signed by M Edwards (Chair)**
5. **Matters arising from previous meeting.**
6. *Reported to PCC – updates from Dave Cannon PCC below.*
* ***Potholes***
1. *1322-7205-0604 = BRYN COCH,LLANRHAEADR-YM-MOCHNANT,OSWESTRY,SY10 0EA Waiting for resources*

1. 0471-8736-2685-8878 Pen y Maes, Llanrhaeadr YM

*Works order in place to repair the defect*

1. 1505-4422-8585-9860 Pont Pisle lane *Waiting for resources.*
2. 5648-7507-7815-0180 Parc Isa Lane

*Paver due to start work in the next week or the week after. Cllr Sara Lewis reported that PCC are working on it today and tomorrow.*

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| 1. Parc Isa windmill crossroads to Cefn Glaniwrch
 | 5435-0290-4965-2609 |

*Ditching / jetter works completed. Damaged drainage pipe needs to be repaired. This is scheduled for May 6th then the potholes will be repaired.*

6. Hafod lane potholes 4893-9957-4801-5990 *Will inspect when next in area.*

1. Henfache  1980-8833-3692-5249  *Will inspect when next in area.*
2. Three Tuns 3672-3937-4445-7694 *Will inspect when next in area.*
3. Elim Chapel 9714-6967-5972-1092 *Waiting for resources*

Cllr Aled Davies will ask Dave Cannon to survey all local roads (including Maengwynedd and Cymdu) so that he can prioritise pothole repairs.

* **Other repairs**
	1. Repairs required to broken pipe Rhydycul /Trap Bank 4667-0210-1364-3913

*No drainage issues observed or reported in this location this winter, no further action will be taken. Cllr Dei Roberts mentioned that this is still an issue in the winter months as the running water freezes and causes very hazardous conditiions. Clerk to report to PCC*

* 1. Steps by 13 Maes y Dderwen, SY10 0LE 8236-1810-8885-5673

*This retaining wall poses no immediate safety issue and works will be completed when the resource is available****.***

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| * 1. Pavement repairs Manchester House/Berwyn House
 | 9922-9222-0243-7803 |

*Highstreet due for resurfacing this year. Any required pavement repairs will be included.*

* 1. *Maesmochnant Isa Bridge 2129-1327-7317-8108*

*On going . EDS (Engineering Design Services) We are still in the process of finalising and applying for consents so there is no programme of works just yet. However, the road will have to be closed when works are being undertaken.*

*Cllr Aled Davies added that the work needs to be completed before September, it is a 3 week job, and the likelihood is that the bridge will be closed for part of this time.*

*Cllr Gwyn Buckley highlighed that during the closure, traffic is most likley to use the road that runs past Frondeg / Cefn Buckley as a diversion. He asked Cllr Aled Davies to prioritise pot hole repairs along this road.*

* 1. *Blocked Drains by Llys Awel 1547-1162-8846-6477*

 *list for Jetter to attend*

* 1. *Ditching gang Maengwynedd* 1940-3731-1452-5060

*On list for Jetter to attend*

* 1. *Hafod lane drains 5516-1342-1863-5756*

*On list for Jetter to attend*

1. ***Other matters arising***

*Cllr Aled Davies updates – highlighted in red.*

* *Remove 2 Bins (layby) Waterfall – no update, with Waste and Recycling Department*
* *Temporary Clearway at the Waterfall – work is in progress to make this a permanent clearway.*
* *Introduce 30mph or 40mph from Maesydd to Tyn y Maes – no update, in discussion with Tony Caine, Traffic and Travel Department*
* *Waterfall Public footpaths – no update , the wooden bridge has been washed away in the recent bad weather. Liaising with Richard Jones, PCC Footpaths*
* *Maes yr Afon / Foundry footpath – will approach a local volunteer group, who are currently surveying all footpaths in the area.*
* *Recycling arrangement with Powys CC/Shropshire – ongoing*

***Tidy up the communal area opposite old Bank / dentist.***

*The Garden Club have been busy tidying up and cutting down a tree.*

*They have purchased a small water butt.*

*They are going to plant up the new plants at the beginning of  May and hopefully there might be some flowers for the Open Village afternoon.*

***Churchyard***

* *Storm Darragh Sat 7th Dec –fallen tree – ongoing with Zurich insurance and Adrian and Alison Roberts. Clerk has contacted Zurich insurance for further details. Zurich responded as follows.*

***8 April 2025***

*Thank you for your email.*

*We did receive a challenge from the claimant, but our position in respect of liability was maintained as per the attached email on 4th February.*

*We have not yet received a response.*

*It is my intention to maintain a watching brief over this claim, with a view to closing our file in July, if nothing further is heard from the claimant.*

*I shall keep you updated as to any further developments.*

* *Clear root of the fallen tree and repair the path – A local contractor has moved the tree root and repaired the path.*
* *Trim Cyprus tree by the west gate - Cllr Meirion Edwards has spoken to Elfed Edwards who has agreed to trim the lower branches.*
* *Assess the large Yew tree by the new vicarage - 2 local tree specialists (Alun Hughes and Tomos Glennie) have been out to view the tree.*

*Both have done a risk assessment and reported that the tree poses no risk and that no work is required at the current time.*

***Mynydd Mawr Energy Park***

*Environmental studies are currently being conducted.*

*Galileo have agreed to a face-to-face meeting with the Community Councillors on Tue 10th June 5pm-7pm . Back half of the hall has been booked.*

***Membership of One Voice Wales*** *2025-26 - 50% Discount i.e. £78 for the first year – it was decided not to join.*

1. **Planning Applications**

*The following planning applications have been emailed to the Councillors prior to this meeting. No*

*objections received.*

*New – 3 Approved – 1 Refused -*

*Application Reference: 25/0443/FUL Grid Reference: E:310139 N: 323701*

*Proposal: Erection of agricultural storage building Site Address: Oaklands , Penygarnedd, Llanrhaeadr-Ym-Mochnant, SY10 0AT*

*New Planning Application Notification 25/0426/HH*

*Grid Reference: E:310763 N: 323824*

*Proposal: Internal alterations including erection of partition walls and doors together with installation of en-suite facilities: retrospective*

*Site Address: Powys Farm , Pen Y Garnedd, Llanrhaeadr Ym Mochnant,Oswestry SY10 0AL*

*New Planning Application Notification 25/0427/LBC*

*Grid Reference: E:310763 N: 323824*

*Proposal: Retention of internal alterations including erection of partition walls and doors together with installation of en-suite facilities Site Address: Powys Farm, Pen Y Garnedd, Llanrhaeadr Ym Mochnant,*

*Oswestry SY10 0AL*

***Approve 15/04/2025***

*25/0034/FUL Full Application Siting of a shepherd’s hut as holiday accommodation, formation of vehicular access, installation of package treatment plant and all associated works*

*Pen Ystryd Brithdir, Llanrhaeadr-Ym-Mochnant,SY10 0AY*

1. **Playground**

*Ryan Swain has very kindly agreed to repair the boards and steps on the large slide apparatus.*

 *Ryan has also quoted for a new swing and a timber trail.*

*It was decided to install new swing (1 flat seat and 1 toddler seat) and also to install a smaller timber trail (with the vision of expanding it next year when more funding is available)*

1. **Grass Cutting tenders.**

*Elfed Edwards has agreed to cut the grass at both St Dogfans and Llanarmon MM churchyards.*

1. **Reports**

*Cllr Aled Davies reported that following the Estyn report on PCC Schools Services, PCC have set up a AIB (Accelerated Improvement Board) to review the report. Powys schools have been severely underfunded in recent years which has had a major impact on the standard of education.*

*Llangedwyn school is being returned to the ownership of Church of Wales*

*Cllr Davies has also asked PCC for a list of priorities for road repairs in the area, he is waiting for a response.*

1. **Correspondence**

*Correspondence has been emailed to the Councillors prior to this meeting.*

* *Email from Secretariat – Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales*

*The Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales (the Panel) will be abolished on 31 March. The Panel’s functions will transfer to the Democracy and Boundary Commission Cymru (the Commission) (formerly the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales - LDBCW) on 1 April 2025.*

* *Two emails from Peter Carr – Tre Tylluan, Doly bont*

 *Rights of way report M18093*

***Type:****Cross path / Tree Fallen****Ref:****M18093****Description:****Fallen Trees at Grid Refs SJ 12298 25948 and SJ 12342 25359****Grid Ref:****SJ12332593****Path Status:****Footpath****Path code:****239/1/1****Community:****Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant****Date Logged:****2025-03-27T00:00:00+00:00*

*Rights of way report M18094*

***Type:****Cross path / Tree Fallen****Ref:****M18094****Description:****Fallen Trees at Grid Ref SJ12487 25887 and SJ 12517 25873 (alongside the river).****Grid Ref:****SJ12472587****Path Status:****Footpath****Path code:****239/1/3****Community:****Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant****Date Logged:****2025-03-27T00:00:00+00:00*

* ***Email from Llangollen Eisteddfod 2025 Local Authority Appeal***
* ***Two emails from Pavo***
	+ - 1. *Suicide Awareness Evening Wed 23-4-2025 6:30pm-8:30pm, Llanfyllin Institute - Councillor Sarah Lewis attended.*
			2. *Minutes of meetings of Llanfyllin Locality Network held 27 March 2025 and next meeting 25 June 2025 at 2.30pm at the Llanfyllin Library*
* *Email from* ***James Gibson-Watt, Leader, Powys County Council***

*Sustainable Powys - LET’S TALK! - Welshpool town hall 8-5-25 7pm*

* *Email from Stuart Turner re Mynydd Mawr Windfarm*
* *Email from Rev Norman Morris – agreed to donate £200 towards repairs for the Church Clock*
1. **Accounts for Payment**

*The Councillors approved the following payments.*

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| **Apr-25** |  |
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| Caretaker | £150.00 |
| Clerks Salary | £180.00 |
| Bank Charges | £5.00 |
| Public Hall room rental (nov 2024, 2025 Jan, Feb and Mar) | £40.00 |
| Donation in memory of the late Pat Jones (Clerk) to Wales Air Ambulance | £20.00 |
| Audit Wales Fee 2022-2023 (full audit) | £692.00 |
| Garden Club - water butt  | £33.89 |
| St Dogfan's Clock | £200.00 |

1. **Any Other Business**
* *Cheque received from St Dogfans and Seion Chapel who have held 2 Soup lunches in March and April. The donation will go towards repairs for the village playground.*
* *Campfires at the Waterfall – Cllr Aled Davies has asked PCC for some signs.*
* *Congratulations to DTYFC on reaching the YFC National Pantomime final on April 12th.*
* *Congratulations to Llanrhaeadr YM Football club for reaching the Montgomeryshire Cup Final , final to be played on 5th May.*
* *Penywalk – handrail damaged – Clerk to take photos and send to Cllr Aled Davies who will forward them to Richard Jones, PCC Footpath officer.*
1. **Future agenda items**
* *Xmas Tree Lights*
* *National Park*
1. **Date of Next meeting – AGM *29th May 2025***

*The meeting closed at 9:15pm*

Signed (Chair) ………………………………… Date …………………………..