

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday, 1st April 2026.

Present

Councillors – R Ashton (Chair), B Jones (Vice-Chair), I Edwards, F Cauley, G Davies, S Evans, E Davies, E Lewis, D Jones and G Mitchell (Powys)

Apologies – P Jones

Absent –

The Chair, R Ashton, extended a warm welcome to all

Presentations – None

Declarations of interest – None

Approving minutes of previous Ordinary Meeting held on 4th March 2026

Everyone in agreement

Matters arising

1. Public conveniences – New external doors are needed and the cistern in the Gents' toilets is overflowing
2. Windfall grant – The Clerk has received updated quotes from all agreed contractors with confirmation that they are happy to continue with the work under their original terms despite the delay. The solicitors are discussing the advantage of a License over an Easement for the landowners' agreement. It was agreed that 10 years would be a reasonable period for a License before review
3. The Big Field – R Ashton has discussed the sheep grazing with a local farmer who has agreed to fence around the new beech hedge and to maintain the boundary in lieu of rent for 2 years. Clerk to draft an agreement
4. Street light by Llanerfyl junction – Clerk had a meeting at Russell George AS Office and Diane Poston-Jones will be making enquiries about the next steps – no update
5. Review arrangements between the Council and Claerwen in Bont – Clerk presented a letter of agreement including all the conditions discussed to be signed by the Chair and the property owner. F Cauley to co-ordinate
6. Noticeboard in Pennant – The costs for repairs and renewals have been included in the budget for the next financial year – Clerk and F Cauley to collaborate on ideas – no update
7. Crossing on the A470 in Llanbrynmair Village – Clerk had a meeting at Russell George AS Office and Diane Poston-Jones will be making enquiries about the next steps – no update
8. Charging point in village car park – G Mitchell to refer the Clerk to relevant officers/agents to advise on technical possibilities before going any further
9. Update on Defibs – A new defibrillator has been installed at the public toilets in Llanbrynmair. New pads will be needed in Llan this month
10. New sign post for Newydd Fynyddog public footpath – Clerk to look at sign and find a new bolt
11. Contribution box for the toilets – Clerk has bought the box but not received it yet

12. Posters for keeping dogs on leads – Signs were collected from NFU to distribute where needed
13. One Voice Wales Area Meeting - April 21st in Llanbrynmair – Council to prepare refreshments – Clerk to co-ordinate contributions
14. Overgrown hedge in Llan outside Wyngates – Clerk has written to the owners – No update
15. Biodiversity Training Part 1 – F Cauley completed on 23rd of March and ready to do Part 2. Biodiversity is to be an item on all agendas henceforth
16. Sustainable Powys meeting 2nd March, Theatr Hafren – Attended by the Clerk and F Cauley
17. The look of Llanbrynmair village – Open Reach were asked about mending the fence behind the exchange building but claim it is not their responsibility. E Lewis to make enquiries. The Sbwriel a Sbri rubbish collecting group had a session in the car park, play park and community field and a lot of dog poo was discovered along the hedge in the play park. It was agreed that the possibility of putting a camera on the wall of the toilets could be explored in order to record transgressors
18. Signage for Station House – The Managers do not want to supply a sign for the house so visitors keep getting lost. It was agreed that getting a change of postcode for the property would be helpful for sat-navs – G Mitchell to make enquiries
19. Ceiling of Snooker Room – Clerk is in touch with Powys Head of Assets about organising a formal lease for the building
20. Untidy garden in Glanclegyr – It is understood that there are new residents at no. 103 and the garden has been tidied
21. Investment from BAM – A list of possibilities has been sent to them for consideration
22. Light on the path between the garages and the Community Centre in Glanclegyr – G Mitchell has had a meeting on site with Powys officers to discuss various developments including the garages but although there is an understanding in principle, it is unlikely to be made a priority for now
23. Training for the Chair and Clerk – Preparing for the Audit – Organised
24. Lights by the Community Centre not working – Community Centre Committee to look into it
25. Monitoring water quality – Various problems with water quality and how to test and record were discussed. It was agreed that Dŵr Cymru should be invited to the treatment plant in Tafolwern for a meeting
26. Hanging the gate between big and small field – B Jones to look at it
27. Local Impact Report by Bute Energy for Esgair Galed Wind Farm – It is possible there will be an opportunity in December for the Council to carry out a local impact assessment. The possibility of holding a public meeting was discussed
28. Communicating through the web-site and Facebook – It is understood that there is a need to consider other means of communication in the future. Clerk to experiment with this year's Annual Report
29. Footpath from Dolfach to Llanbrynmair – Although there is little chance of finding suitable funds for such a project, it was agreed that the search be continued with an open mind

Road matters

PCC

Location	Reported	Notes
Floods on B4518 by Maesgwian	Yes	Clerk has reported to Powys

Condition of Bryneinty Road	Yes	The culvert has been mended and the dip past Bryneinty has been filled
Condition of road between Llan and Dolgadfan	Yes	G Mitchell has discussed with Powys Officer but the problem is not serious enough for attention yet
Condition of Cwm Tafolog road	Yes	G Mitchell confirms that the road is scheduled for attention
Condition of road by Fron turning below Lluest	Yes	The Bont to Talerddig road is scheduled for re-surfacing
Pot holes in the road past Llwynel;yn		The whole road to Llanerfyl is bad
Croes Heol, Pandy lane – rocks and a drop		B Jones has spoken to landowner

Trunk road

Location	Reported	Notes
Trees between Station Garage and Pont Brics need trimming	Yes	Network Rail have trimmed trees on their land. Clerk to make enquiries about the next stretch of hedging beside Lllysun
Road surface around Pont Bel		Clerk has reported to NMWTRA

Written and verbal report from Cllr Gary Mitchell (Cyngor Sir Powys)

Correspondence

- Health Hub in Newtown – has received outline planning permission
- Minutes of Esgair Galed Community Liaison Group
- Invitation to National Eisteddfod procession in Llanidloes
- Oner Voice Wales – grant opportunities

Planning

Bank balance and financial statement

Available on 18/03/26

Current Account	£11,806.78
Savings Account	£3,019.75
Total	£14,826.53
Cheques not yet presented	£0
Available balance	£14,826.53

Funding requests and financial payments

Date agreed	Item	Total	Notes
01/04/26	Clerk's salary - March	£417.60	Agreed
01/04/26	Tax and NI on salaries - March	£104.40	Agreed
01/04/26	Mr R A Hughes – Translation services - March	£130.00	Agreed. These costs are being covered by funding from Menter Iaith Maldwyn

01/04/26	Andrew Mears – Cleaning toilets - March	£210.00	Agreed
01/04/26	S Reast – Donation box	£48.98	Agreed
01/04/26	Car Park business rates	£527.10	Agreed
01/04/26	Contribution to Llangollen International Eisteddfod	£100.00	Agreed

AOB

Items for the next meeting

- E Davies – ‘Dead end’ sign needed on Cefn Pennant road
- F Cauley – Planting in the village
- F Cauley – Natural Emergency Briefing film

The Annual Meeting will be held on the 6th of May 2026

The following Ordinary Meeting will be held on the 3rd of June 2026

Sarah Reast

Clerk to Llanbrynmair Community Council