

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday, 5th November 2025.

Present

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

Apologies – R Ashton (Chair), E Davies and G Mitchell (Powys)

The Vice-Chair, B Jones, extended a warm welcome to all and offered condolences to E Davies on the recent loss of his father

Presentations –

Declarations of interest –

Approving minutes of previous Ordinary Meeting held on 1st of October 2025
Everyone in agreement

Matters arising

1. Public conveniences – Hafren Dyfrdwy are going to mend or replace the water meter because it is not recording usage. The Clerk has not had an update. There have been significant problems with filth left for the cleaners to deal with and blocked drains. It was agreed that posters be put up around the building asking visitors to be more considerate. New paper dispensers have been installed. It was agreed that a thank you letter should be written to Jo and Andy
2. Windfall grant – The legal processes to prepare a legal agreement for the landowner have begun
3. Litter picking group Talerddig – An event was held on the 11th of October followed by a very interesting presentation by Emyr Lewis on river life. It was agreed that an application could be made to the Wind Farm Trust for refreshments for the volunteers
4. Network Rail site in Talerddig – The clear up has begun but the work has not quite been completed yet. Another fortnight of work is expected
5. Final accounts and full audit – Audit Wales have sent a report on the accounts with some conditions and recommendations. Clerk is still awaiting further clarifications before publicising
6. Biodiversity report – S Reast and F Cauley to finish before December
7. Parking on the Community Field and sourcing stone – I Edwards to look out for a source of left over stone to use in the field. It was suggested that the highways agencies could be contacted for any left-over materials – dim diweddariad
8. Report from Powys CC about the snooker room – There is a plan underway to lay a new floor covering – R Ashton presented an estimate and confirmed that the club would pay for a portion of it and a case could also be made to the Wind Farm Trust for a contribution
9. Use of Council yard – It was agreed to hold a public meeting in January 2026 to gather responses to case for buying and developing the yard and re-opening a train station

10. Street light by Llanerfyl junction with A470 for children returning from school after dark – There was an article about the problems on Wales' media which included a statement from Welsh Government saying there would be a review within a fortnight
11. Rights of Way maintenance – Clerk has given attention to the path between Llan and Bont. G Mitchell has offered further advise to follow up
12. Manure blocking old Pant Glas to Pont Bell road – I Edwards to take pictures
13. Review arrangements between the Council and Claerwen in Bont – S Reast has made enquiries with solicitor
14. Hedge in Llan – Clerk has written to the owners of Ael y Bryn to ask if they or Powys own the hedge
15. 2026 Elections – The 2026 elections will not affect the Community Council
16. Community Centre Fair – The fair was held on Friday the 17th of October. The evening was very successful and raised about £1700 for the Community Centre
17. Flooding in Maes yr Efail – A meeting was held on the site with the Powys drainage team and neighbouring residents on the 4th of November at 3.00pm. A map of the area was presented to the Council outlining the challenges.
18. Fence on Dŵr Cymry land in Bont – Clerk to ask again for it to be mended
19. Building at Badgers Glade changed use – The building that was a toilet block is now being lived in. Clerk to report to Powys
20. 7.5 tonne Weight restriction on Pandy lane in Bont – The restrictions were in place during the A470 closure but then removed. G Mitchell has made enquiries with Powys to see if they can be re-installed or at least, signs saying the road is unsuitable for heavy vehicles
21. Noticeboard in Pennant – The doors have started to fall apart – F Cauley and S Reast to look at replacement options
22. Junction on the A470 – The Trunk Road Agency have done a review of pedestrian behaviour on the junction with the B4518 and have come to the conclusion that a crossing is needed. Clerk to ask if this entails a reduction in speed limit on the A470
23. Training – S Evans did the Planning training on the 20th of October and B Jones did Understanding the Law on the 28th of October
24. Morgan Lloyd Foundation – Council's representation – D Jones is stepping down and F Cauley is to take his place. D Jones to write a formal letter of resignation
25. Charging point in village car park – A request was received for a charging point in the village car park. It was agreed that this could be considered for another Windfall Grant application (or other similar source) when the current project (Path from Llanbrynmair to Tafolwern) has been completed
26. Recycling bin collections – There is a lack of understanding in how to receive updates about delays and changes in the service
27. Road slopes in Talerddig have become slippery for walkers – Clerk to make enquiries
28. Clerk's email address to change – clercllanbrynmair@gmail.com
29. Remembrance Sunday – Arrangements are in place for a cuppa at 10.00am at the Community Centre on the 9th of November followed by the service at 10.15
30. Pen Graig road and 'Private' sign – This section of road is not officially private but the resident installed the sign to prevent people from parking there and impeding access
31. Crugnant Bridge – Railings not long enough
32. Update on Defibs – All Defibrillators currently functioning.
33. School Governors – It was reported that Llanbrynmair School had completed their Estyn Inspection and that the early indicators were that it had gone well

34. Status of bungalow on Bryneinty road – No update until E Davies and G Mitchell are present
35. Mirror by Ty'n Llwyn and Wern turning – It was agreed that residents could install a mirror in the hope that their own risk
36. Farm traffic sign for Bont, Llan and Talerddig – Clerk to make enquiries although it is understood that Powys are reluctant to grant new signs because of over-saturation and people ignoring them anyway
37. Water on Pont Green – Powys have jetted the drain
38. Sign for Post van – Clerk to re-instate
39. Problems communicating with water authorities – Hafren Dyfrdwy are the first port of call for enquiries and reports of problems. Enquiries to HD do get sent on to Severn Trent as they are the national organisation that may sometimes co-ordinate contractors
40. Preparing grit/salt bins – Clerk to co-ordinate moving grit bin in Bont with landowner
41. Bin in the playpark – Bin overflowing, often with domestic waste. Clerk to make enquiries
42. Bench on Pandy lane – Thank you very much to Paul Stratford for keeping the area around the bench nice and tidy all year

Road matters

PCC

Location	Reported	Notes
Speed of traffic through Bont, Llan, Talerddig and Llanbrynmair	Yes	It was agreed that a plastic 'cut out' of a policeman holding a speed camera would be bought
Holes in road to Gelli		

Trunk road

Location	Reorted	Notes
A470		Awaiting confirmation about repairs to road surface through Pont Bel
Water on the road between Pentre Mawr and Gwern y Bwlch		Trunk Road Agency have done repairs

Street lamps

Location	Reported	Notes
Talerddig		Needed at Llanerfyl junction Powys

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

Correspondence

- Letter from Welshpool Town Council received highlighting concerns that the Public Spaces Protection Orders are lapsed. Clerk to make enquiries
- Letter from Carno Community Council about the height of Pontdolgoch bridge being an impediment to HGVs. Clerk to write a letter reflecting local concerns

Planning –

- 25/1458/REM | Section 73 application to vary conditions 19 and 35 of planning approval 20/1610/REM (in relation to car park and foundations/access track details) – Agreed to make no comment
- 25/1506/REM | Section 73 application in respect of the removal of conditions 26 (structure and capacity assessment) and 34 (highways works) of planning approval 20/1610/REM – Agreed to make no comment
- 25/1484/FUL. Barn conversion into holiday let, installation of treatment plant and all associated works. Yr Allt Mallwyd Machynlleth SY20 9HS – Agreed to support

Bank balance and financial statement

Available on 07/10/25

Current Account	£6,481.04
Savings Account	£3,008.79
Total	£9,489.83
Cheques not yet presented	£0
Available balance	£9,489.83

Funding requests and financial payments

Date agreed	Item	Total	Notes
05/11/25	Clerk's salary - October	£417.60	Agreed
05/11/25	Tax and NI on salaries - October	£104.40	Agreed
05/11/25	Mr R A Hughes – Translation services	£120.00	Agreed. These costs are being covered by funding from Menter Iaith Maldwyn
05/11/25	Joanna Whiteway – Cleaning toilets - October	£230.00	Agreed
05/11/25	E.ON Next - October	£27.95	Agreed
05/11/25	Planning Aid Wales - Training	£40.00	Paid. Agreed by email on 07/10/25 with R Ashton
05/11/25	DRE & Co. – PAYE admin costs	£180.00	Agreed
05/11/25	Andrew Mears – Unblocking toilets and installing new dispensers	£75.00	Agreed
05/11/25	Andrew Mears – Unblocking toilets	£50.00	Agreed
05/11/25	Air Ambulance Appeal	£100.00	Agreed by vote 4:2
05/11/25	Clerk's miscellaneous expenses – Remembrance Sunday wreath, magnets for noticeboard	£33.48	Agreed
05/11/25	Normanton Screen Printing – Cut Out Cop	£116.34	Agreed

AOB

Items for the next meeting

- P Jones – Culvert at Ystradfawr needs attention and road by Ystrad Fach is deteriorating
- G Davies – Trees between Station Garage and Pont Brics need trimming

- G Davies – Gwern y Bwlch – a farm gate was left open after the accident on the 26th of October

The following Ordinary Meeting will be held on the 3rd of December 2025

Sarah Reast

Clerk to Llanbrynmair Community Council