

**Minutes of the meeting of the Meeting of Llangynin Community Council
Bryn Chapel Hall, Llangynin
Tuesday 11 March 2026 – 7pm**

Present : Councillors Les Murphy, Caroline Jones, Phillip Morgan, Brickchand Ramruttun, Rhydian Davies, County Councillor Dorian Phillips

In the Chair - Councillor Brickchand Ramruttun

Attendance by a member of the public in relation to item 5.2 of the agenda

1. **Apologies for Absence** – Cllr G Bulford
2. **Declarations of Interest** - Cllr Jones declaring a personal interest in respect of all and any matters concerning the Bryn Chapel Hall (of which she is a trustee and the Chairman). Cllr Les Murphy declaring a personal interest in respect of any discussion relating to 60+ Group of which he is the Chairman.
3. **Minutes of the meeting 10 March 2026**

It was **RESOLVED** that minutes of the meeting of the council held on 10 March 2026 be approved and signed as correct record. Proposed by Cllr Davies and seconded by Cllr Jones.

With the agreement of the Chairman, item 5.2 of the agenda was brought forward to be discussed due to the arrival of the Secretary of the Bryn Chapel Hall.

Cllr Caroline Jones taking no part in the discussion.

5.2 – Consideration of Urgent request for financial support by Bryn Chapel Hall – It was explained to members that a risk assessment had been prepared by Fire Consultancy Wales which detailed a number of upgrades required to the protections and procedures in place. A set of quotes had been secured which indicated that the cost of the required works was c£8,500. The Chapel Hall Committee's Secretary had prepared a grant application (Community Facilities Grant) which required some match funding. The members, the County Councillor and the Secretary of the Hall Committee discussed other funders and securing further quotes. The clerk and members considered the budget with a view to identifying what potential funding might be available as match funding. The budget prepared in January had already identified certain sums for Bryn Hall developments but those could be repurposed for this immediate need. Further amounts could be found within the budget that could add to those amounts. Potentially, the council might contribute by way of grant funding £1500. It was agreed that the Secretary would keep the members updated and that all were very content to have informal meetings so as to move everything forward as smoothly as possible.

Secretary of the Bryn Hall then leaving the meeting

4. Existing business:

- 4.1. **Llangynin Park** – The clerk confirmed she had heard nothing further. County Councillor Phillips reported that as of the morning he had heard nothing either but was able to secure an update in the afternoon. He had been informed that the County Council had undertaken a survey of the services in place and its contractors would be producing a report with a plan. County Cllr Phillips was waiting for a further update. The members agreed that at least this indicated some progress.
- 4.2. **traffic damage, village signs, speeding and road safety** – the members agreed that generally, speeds had reduced through the village – although there had been notable exceptions in terms of commercial vehicles and tractors. The speed notification sign at

the south of the village was still not working. Cllr Phillips confirmed that he had raised it several times but had secured no response.

- 4.3. **Matter of potential flooding at Bont Goch** – It was reported that the landowner was not prepared to incur cost to cut the tree that was blocking the river. There the matter rested. It was agreed that the matter be removed from the agenda.
- 4.4. **Consideration of potential flyer for a “buddy” or “point of contact” scheme in the community** - members considered the extent of any scheme in the context of protecting all involved and it was agreed that its scope ie what it was and what it was not, would need careful drafting. Cllr Ramruttun agreed to contact Hwb Bach Y Wlad to understand how that service (<https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/council-services/hwb-bach-y-wlad/>) might connect with/support/influence any local scheme. Copies of the hand drawn map of the community were shared with members so that an updated version could be created.
- 4.5. **Consideration of whether there is potential to acquire a bus stop shelter in the village.** –Cllr Phillips reported back and confirmed that the County Council did not have objections as such but had no budget for bus shelters. It would be possible to arrange a site meeting however as it was the County Council that would need to provide formal consent. Members agreed a site meeting should be arranged and Cllr Phillips will advise on potential date. Members to look at possible costs. Early indications are that a shelter suitable for the purpose might be obtained for something like c£2.5k

Cllr Davies leaving the meeting.

5. New Business

- 5.1. **Financial Assistance in respect of Eisteddfod Y Garreg Las 2026.** Members agreed that the sum of £300 had been budgeted for - to match the donation provided in the last financial year. RESOLVED that the donation was approved.
- 5.2. **Consideration of Urgent request for financial support by Bryn Chapel Hall** – dealt with out of order as set out above.
- 5.3. **Consideration of Risk Register** – Members agreed that it represented a useful summary of risk and mitigation of risk currently. It will need to be kept under review given current plans in place for future developments by the community council. RESOLVED that the current risk register was approved and it was signed off by the Chairman as required.

6. County Councillor’s Report

No further matters beyond those already discussed and minuted above.

County Cllr Phillips leaving the meeting.

7. Clerk’s Report and correspondence not otherwise on the agenda

Only matter of note was that there were further training opportunities from One Voice Wales to be circulated to members. It was this September that a new training programme needed to be considered by members.

8. **Planning matters** – noting that no member had comments on PL/10622 in respect of Ffynonlwyd (the date having now passed). The members considered PL/10817 being garages for the properties currently being built in Trem Y Cwm. The members discussed the proposed size and position of the garages. No conclusion reached at the meeting and members would consider further.
9. **Finance and Payments (Contractual and invoiced).**
 - 9.1. **Budget monitoring** – the members had considered the Financial Report and noted year end in the context of the budget for the up coming year. Noting potential budget adjustments. Receipt of first tranche of precept in the sum of £3574 on 29 April 2026. Current balances at 2 May 2026 (to take into account payment of clerk’s wages): current account £6152.07 and instant access savings £5438.45.
 - 9.2. **Members confirmed payments made** (ie those not authorised specifically at March meeting):

- Footway Lighting Charge referred to at the March minutes at 9.3 arrived after the meeting, requiring payment in 30 days. Paid in accordance with the Financial Regulations in the sum of £377.57 inclusive of VAT.
- Payment of clerk's wages monthly (and HMRC) in March and April 2026.

9.3. Payments authorised:

- One Voice Wales membership 2026-2027 - £58
- Fees of the internal auditor – £50.
- Hall hire for Community Council meeting May 2026 - £20.
- Payment to Eisteddfod Y Garreg Las in the sum of £300.

9.4. Noting that ICO annual data protection fee of £47 (£52 less £5 deduction due to payment by direct debit) will be collected on or about 17 May 2026.

10. Date of next meeting – 14 July 2026.

Meeting closed at 21:10

Unapproved