



CYMUNED CYNGOR

LLANGYNIDR COMMUNITY

COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2026 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr Jane Dawkins (Chairperson), Cllr Harry Duff, Cllr Mark Brian, Cllr Dave Mantle, Cllr Beth Carpenter, Cllr Michelle Williams, Cllr David Williams.

In Attendance: Jessica Jones (Clerk)

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 1. Public Participation:

County Councillor Jackie Charlton – Llangynidr April 2026 Report:  
The Surgery in Llangynidr will be held at the earliest opportunity, awaiting response from Dyfed Powys Police to send the new PCSO.

#### Potholes and Pavements

I have reported all the issues from last month on the pavement along Crawnon Road from the top of Forge Road to the car park. Asked if Powys can contact the landowner of the hedge at the top of Forge Road entering Crawnon Road which is causing issues of visibility. Both have been reported before, but we don't appear to have a good outcome for either. The serious potholes along the A4077 have been raised and have now been inspected by David Lewis. Am looking forward to his response and hopeful this will be addressed. It's not only the potholes but the white lines that should be visible on the sides of the road especially for nighttime driving.

#### Llangynidr School – Federation discussion

The Chair of Governors offered to have a discussion on this and other matters for the school. We have yet to agree a date to meet.

#### Crickhowell High School

Transformation of Powys Post 16, I used information from the last Llangattock Community Council Meeting along with feedback from Llangynidr, as previously mentioned, to inform the Cabinet Member for Education about local concerns on the final consultation proposals. I also confirmed that the Cabinet Paper would address communication and consultation concerns from Llangattock Community Council, and all recommendations were fully accepted. Update on Library and Sports Facilities: Since last month, the school has been working hard to find solutions for both the library and sports facilities, incorporating community suggestions to prepare for the public meeting. The library proposals are currently with the Town Council, and the school is supporting these outlines as a business case. At the public meeting, the sports



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facilities were discussed thoroughly and the proposals, once completed will be formally negotiated with Powys County Council. The Governing body will not participate in decision-making regarding either facility but will continue to support the community to help ensure positive results for both. The threat of closure has passed, although the sports facility is available for group hire only not for individuals at this time.

### Livestock Deaths and Speeding on Common Land

Still awaiting the signs!! Will continue to work with the MP and MS to address this issue. We are now in the pre-election period so will not get a response from the Minister.

### PCSO Update

PCSO was unable to attend the Llangynidr County Council surgery due to lack of back up support needed for the visit from an officer who has not completed her training, but we are rearranging for May/June. We can share the date when it has been confirmed.

### Powys County Council

Due to the pre-election period, there have been no Cabinet decisions or other council business. However, there is a major review of Powys County Council being undertaken this week. It is called a Panel Performance Assessment undertaken by the WLGA for Welsh Government. This includes every member of the Council and its senior officers. The process takes four days and the report will be available to the public sometime in July.

Cllr Harry Duff raised the on-going concern of the new bus timetable still not able to provide an early morning bus service to assist residents to get to work, college or early appointments in the Brecon or Abergavenny direction. County Councillor Jackie Charlton suggested contact is made with Cllr Chloe Masefield to find out more on the possibility of utilising the Crickhowell & District Community Transport Group along-side the possible options that Dial A Ride may be able to assist with and finding ways to link the bus service with other public networks to fill the gaps.

It was also noted the morning bus service has not been consistent on a couple of occasions. County Councillor Jackie Charlton confirmed the bus times are regularly being audited but will follow up and report back with any findings.

The Chair thanked County Councillor Jackie Charlton for her April



report.

2. **Apologies:** Cllr Gareth Woodcock, Cllr Janine Sharpless, Cllr Gene Taylor
3. **Declaration of interest in items of business listed below:** None
4. **Signing of the minutes:** Full Council Meeting 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026-Approved
5. **Finance:**
  - a) Bank reconciliation and Year End to be considered for approval.  
Approved
  - b) Cheques for approval March 2026 and April 2026 – Approved

**Approved Cheques March 2026**

Clean the car park (Mar 26)	£40.00
Clean the public conveniences (Mar 26)	£280.00
Car park non-domestic rates (Mar 26)	£91.00*
British Gas – electricity for the public conveniences (Mar SO)	£27.58
Clerk’s wages and stationary allowance (Mar 26)	£679.00
HMRC (Clerks Tax & NI Contributions - Mar26)	£137.00
Scribe – Monthly Fee inc. VAT (Mar 26)	£37.20
One Voice Wales – Annual Subscription	£225.00
Young Persons Award: Georgina Hill	£150.00
Young Persons Award: Georgia Carr	£150.00
M.B Property Services:	
o 2025 Grass Contract	
o Llangynidr Car Park Hedge Cutting	
o Persondy Hedge & Hedge Cutting & Maintenance	£1625.00
Maintenance repair to Public Convenience Drainage	£60.00
Community lunch expenses	£100.61
Stephanie Duff – Car Park Garden Project	£104.08

**Payments for Approval April 2026**

Clean the car park (Apr 26)	£40.00
Clean the public conveniences (Apr 26)	£280.00
Car park non-domestic rates (Apr 26)	£112.50
British Gas – electricity for the public conveniences (Apr SO)	£29.63
Clerk’s wages and stationary allowance (Apr 26)	£679.00
HMRC (Clerks Tax & NI Contributions (Apr 26)	£137.00
Scribe – Monthly Fee inc. VAT (Apr 26)	£37.20
Viking Supplies – Public Conveniences	£112.99
Car Park Garden Project	£67.80

- c) Interest Payments, Donations – Approved

Car Park & Toilet Donations (Mar 26)	£212.14
Weavers Parking donation	£10.00



d) Renumeration 26/27 – Item carried forward.

**6. Correspondence:**

- **Email received 26/03/2026 from a local resident requesting permission to leave a planter for community garden use at Clos Castell.** Agreed this is a query to be raised with Powys Highways and advise the resident to seek a pavement license from Powys. Should that be successful, the Community Council and the resident will work together to access and maintenance to the back of the hedge. Clerk to write to the resident.
- **Thank you email from the Village Hall Committee for the £400 funds received towards the heating and remodelling project, raised from the latest Community Lunch.** Noted

**7. Planning Application: 26/24451/FUL - Demountable at the Primary School. Demolition of an existing single story modular building and replacement with larger single story modular building.** No objections, with the Community Council giving its full support to the new build particularly supporting more spaces being available for the early year's children.

**8. One Voice Wales Launch of the Civility and Respect Pledge, for consideration and approval.** Discussion on how signing the pledge will make a difference to behaviour but agreed in principle and on balance the Councillors agreed to support the pledge – Approved

**9. ARAG Law - Claim against TWM Traffic Control Systems Ltd. Response received 10<sup>th</sup> April from ARAG Law, for consideration.** Discussion on what the next steps might be given the response from ARAG Law has confirmed it is unlikely any funds would be retrievable. The Chair noted thanks to Cllr David Mantle for the earlier work undertaken in securing the windfall and noted how the Council could avoid any repeat of this problem in the future and noted this was not through any fault of any of the Councillors or the Clerk that TWM went into administration. The Council followed the terms and conditions as set out by TWM, with the order being placed and paid for in good faith. On a positive, part of the windfall monies funded the track to be laid around the playing field, benefiting the wider community. Due consideration to



be given to seeking further input from One Voice Wales and how to raise awareness to other Councils on the distressing and resounding disappointing experience the Community Council has had with TWM.

- 10. Greenman Event 20<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Consider traffic arrangements for Llangynidr: Bridge passes, signage, coffee morning for Monday 24<sup>th</sup>.**  
Agreed the bridge passes are not going to be requested this year. However, discuss with the Greenman organisers on how to improve the marshalling to be more effective, particularly at the top of Forge Road. The coffee morning will run on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August, to welcome residents who feel unable to leave the village but have the opportunity to enjoy some company whilst the large volume of traffic is vacating the event with limited road access out of the village.
- 11. Car Park 'Rockery Garden' Project. Update and note of thanks to the team of volunteers.** The Chair paid thanks to Stephanie Duff and the small team the volunteers who have worked incredibly hard creating the rockery garden, it has been heavy manual work, but the results will be great for that area of the car park once the planting has established.
- 12. A number of concerns raised by residents on the serious problems with large potholes along the verge on the A4077 Cwm Crownon Road to Crickhowell.** Item covered under County Councillor Jackie Charlton's report.
- 13. Canal & River Trust - Brecon Canal 225 Legacy Event / Heritage Diamond Bridge Signs. Would the Community Council wish to host an unveiling event in the summer. Item for consideration.** Clerk to discuss with the History Society and the Coach & Horses to gauge interest.
- 14. Notice of Senedd Elections on Thursday May 7<sup>th</sup>. Polling station will be at the committee room in the Village Hall.** Noted
- 15. Litter pick dates to be agreed and a note of thanks to the volunteers.**  
Plan to hold the next scheduled litter pick on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June on the B4560 mountain road from the cattle grid down, whilst the road is closed for Open Reach maintenance. Seek help from the Llangattock litter pickers, if possible, to schedule with their timetable.



**16. Community Coffee morning dates for consideration.** Next Community Tea & Cake get together is planned for 26<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm.

**17. Annual Parish Meeting, date and time to be agreed, guest speakers and preparations to be agreed.** Date agreed: 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026 at the Village Hall. Agreed to invite the following Speakers:

County Councillor Jackie Charlton

Gene Taylor - Village Hall Committee

Tom Fox - Governor of Llangynidr Primary School

Cllr Chloe Masefield - Crickhowell District Transport Group.

Noted, Councillor Jackie Charlton will aim to have either the new PCSO or Officer in attendance to speak to the residents.

Clerk to arrange the invitations and bookings.

**18. Dates and times to be agreed for Community Council meetings:**

**Following dates agreed:**

Tues 26<sup>th</sup> May - AGM 7.30pm

Tues 30<sup>th</sup> June - 7.30pm

Tues 28<sup>th</sup> July - 7.30pm

Tues 29<sup>th</sup> Sept - 7.30pm

No meeting in August

Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Oct - 7pm

Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Nov - 7pm

No meeting in December

Precept early January 27 - 7pm

Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 27 - 7pm

**19. Any other business (for information only).**

With no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 9.15pm