

Cyngor Cymuned Penybontfawr Penybontfawr Community Council

**Minutes of the meeting of held on Tuesday 11th March 2025
At Canolfan Pennant at 7.30pm**

Minutes

Present: Cllr Worthington (chair) Cllr Davies took over when he arrived, Cllr P. Williams, Cllr E. Jones, Cllr G. Jones, Cllr G. Roberts
Clerk: Rhian Briscoe

Apologies (148)

Cllr A. Jones
Cllr Davies – late
CCllr Bryn Daives

Declaration of Interest (149)

None

Minutes of the last meeting (150)

It was **RESOLVED** by council to accept the minutes of the meeting dated 11th February 2025. Chair signed the minutes.

Public Participation (151)

No public in attendance

Clerk's Report (152)

Unity application – completed, now need to change mandate to include all councillors – locked out, now resolved

British Heart Foundation – training online, Calon Cymru – didn't respond once they knew where we were, SJA – waiting to hear from their community training team (back log) Ask locally for possible courses

ACTION CLERK

RESOLVED to write lock code on defibrillator cabinet rather than leaving the door unlocked. Check that school are still checking hall defibrillator **ACTION CLERK**

Chase up playground lease ACTION CLERK

Chairman's report (153)

Congratulations to Cllr Anna Jones– send a card on behalf of council

County Councillors Report (154)

None

Correspondence (155)

ICO renewal

Salvation Army clothing bank – payment when amount is at least £15

Finance (156)

Current Account: £29650.83

Deposit Account: £0 (in readiness for transfer or bank accs from HSBC to Unity Trust Bank)

Income: Salvation Army clothes bank

Payments:

(Feb payments carried over due to internet banking delay – get cheques signed for the following payments)

BT (Feb) £43.33 DD

Clerks wages (Feb) £222.20

HMRC PAYE (Feb)	£11.80
HSBC standing bank charge (Feb)	£5.00 DD
Top Notch Loos (Jan)	£60.00
Toilet Cleaning (Jan)	£43.93
BT (March)	£43.33 DD
Clerk wages (March)	£222.20
HMRC PAYE (March)	£11.80
ICO fee	£
Top Notch Loos (Feb)	£60.00
Toilet cleaning (Feb)	£41.68
OVW membership	£102.00
Dyffryn Tanat YFC Grant application	£100
Welsh Air Ambulance Grant Application	£100

It was **RESOLVED** by council that the invoices and payments be honoured. ACTION CLERK

To agree to remove Graham Smout from the mandate (no longer a council member) and to add the following council members to the bank mandate for internet banking: Eifion Davies, Carwyn Worthington, Gwynedd Jones. To change mandate to add internet banking to Elfyn Jones and Peter Williams Sign all required forms as necessary from Unity Trust in relation to the above mandate changes. (157)

RESOLVED to make the above changes and add Eifion, Carwyn and Gwynedd to internet banking.

Wall at Hirnant churchyard slippage – to consider quotes (158)

Quotes not yet obtained

Grass Cutting tender - to agree wording (159)

Wording agreed – advertise on Facebook and in the shop window ACTION CLERK

Tree stump in river – update from NRW (160)

RESOLVED to contact PCC – their responsibility due to the eroding of the road. Forward the NRW emails and state that there is risk of it hitting the bridge and creating a flood risk to more properties. Flood waters have been greater than previous floods since the stump has been in the river.

Reply to original email too – grave concerns re above – can you accept responsibility if it does hit the bridge.
– Done, no responses as yet. Chase up – with photo of the road erosion.

Clerk pay scale and contract review (161)

Clerk to research for next meeting

One Voice Wales membership – renewal (162)

RESOLVED to renew membership (cost £102)

Planning (163)

Applications: none

Decision Notices: None

Highways (164)

In between Tyn Twll and Maes y Fedw – big potholes

Manhole by Bethania Garage overflowing – Main drain – definitely Council

Potholes on back road by Bryn Draenog

Jetter needed on back road to Llangynog & around Hirnant

Hirnant potholes –Stryd Ddu have big potholes – accident caused by the holes.

Subsidence between Cwmmwr and Ty Brith – growing rapidly

Potholes from Clochnant to Ty Croes, Hirnant

BT Poles on Croes Wilan to Penygarnedd leaning onto road B4391 – dangerous if two large vehicles meet
*Report to BT/ Openreach
Footpath between village and Parc caravan park is overgrown – verge encroaching on path
Playing field grass is encroaching on the carpark
Big pothole outside Minafon
Bit pothole by Pentre
Penybontfawr sign in coming from Hirnant need posts and Give Way sign by Pentre post needs replacing
Salt bin required at top of Gelli Bank – piles of salt get washed away

Pothole on the bridge at Minafon – cars have had punctures

Pothole on junction of Ffordd Goed and the main road

Hirnant Road – numerous potholes

Between Wern Ddu and Ty'n Wern, subsidence – verge is giving way – potential future landslide?

Blocked culverts on road from Stryd Ddu to Bache Doethion leading to serious erosion on the better parts of the road. Almost half the tar has come off in some parts.

Road near Cwmmwr Isaf – nasty pothole

RESOLVED to report all issues ACTION CLERK

Members Points of Information (165)

None

To confirm the next Council meeting (166)

To confirm next Council Meeting for TUESDAY 8th April 2025, 7.30pm at Canolfan Pennant

Meeting ended 8:40pm

Signed (Chair) Date.....