

CYNGOR TREF LLANWRTYD WELLS TOWN COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of the Hybrid Council Meeting on Wednesday 15th January 2025 at 7pm

Attending: Cllrs M. Pigott, J. Davies, A. Jones, L.Pace-Avery, C.Rickard, T. Van-Rees, N. Price, County Cllr P. James and Cheryl Hood (Town Clerk).

Cllr S. Jones joined late at point 137.

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- **129. Apologies:** Cllr G. Watkins.
- 130. Minutes of the December meeting and Matters arising -
- 131. Finance:
 - **131.a December balance sheet considered**. December accounts were signed off as accurate. Proposed by Cllr S. James and seconded by Cllr Rickard.
 - **131.b Cheques for Authorisation –** Audit Wales 2022/23 and SLCC Membership.
 - **131.c. Draft Budget 2025/26.** This was discussed in detail and proposal for 4.66 increase by Cllr Van-Rees and seconded by Cllr Price. All in agreement. **Action:** Clerk to send Precept request to Leuan Lewis.
- **132.** Play Park Project Amber Graham unable to attend tonight. Meeting to take place on the 5th Feb 2025 in the Institute. Members of the Playpark Project and LWTC Councillors Rickard, Price and Davies to attend and inform Council at the next meeting in February.

133. Councillor Updates -

- **Dolwen Fields** Broadband quote for Pavilion was very high, other options to be sourced. Need to look at funding to change the heating system in place.
- DAS Legal Still waiting on photographic evidence to be produced.
- **Openreach Broadband** The upgrade is going ahead and there is still time for those that have not yet applied to do so. Gavin Jones of Openreach will be attending the rescheduled PAVO Funding Fair on the 28th January 10am to 12pm.
- Cost of Flag attachment to side of Pavilion Clerk advised on attachments available but felt a more robust would be needed. Action: Cllr James to provide clerk with name of company.
- Meeting with Llangammarch/Trefflys/Tirabed Arranged for February 12th in Trefflys Hall. Cllr
 James advised that this should be extended to other Community Councils such as Cilmary and
 would report back to the Clerk to advise whether they would be attending. Action: Cllr James to
 report back to the Clerk.
- Barcud Meeting Barcud Housing Association had emailed to say that they would be happy to meet. Action: Clerk to ask for dates they are able to attend and arrange visit with Cllrs.

134. Update on Powys Matters affecting Llanwrtyd Wells:

- **Meeting Sustainable Powys** Discussing Temporary Closure of some facilities.
- Road outside Woolen Mill Plans drawn up for new drainage system due to flooding on the road.
- **135. Planning Applications received and Decisions –** No planning applications or decisions received for Llanwrtyd Wells.
- **136.** Abergwesyn Toilet Quote –Other quotes to be sourced and brought back for next month.
- **137. Funding Fair** 28th January 2025, 10 to 12 in the Victoria Hall. for 10-year agreement on pond development on Dolwen Field. **Action** Clerk to provide letter, Wi-Fi quote.
- 138. Christmas Lighting Costs Christmas lights will not be removed while the traffic lights are in place, Powys have been informed by Trunk Road Agency. Looking towards Christmas 2025, we may have different arrangement of Christmas lights due to the charges by Powys Council for the light's installation. Action: Clerk to write to Builth Town Council regarding lighting charges.
- **139.** Additional Bus Service and Local Bus Service Survey Ask as many people to fill in survey as possible readvertise on local platforms.
- **140. Flooding Town** Meeting held in Neuadd over the weekend. Cllr Pigott added that he had a personal interest as his property was one of the ones where the gardens were being flooded. However, he had attended the meeting and there was press interest too. A pump was being used to help remove the

water behind the garage and the pipework was being looked at. Further meetings were being arranged with different agencies to see what more could be done to prevent further flooding in the town.

Action: Clerk to write to First Minister to request meeting of all agencies.

- **141. Road closure of Abergwesyn to Beulah Road-** Concern was raised over the amount of time this road would be closed for the repairs to take place, approx. 6 months. It was already causing a long detour for those that lived the other side of the repair to get to the main road. If there was an accident, some properties would be cut off completely if the road had to be closed.
- **142. Correspondence received** Email from R Myatt that children had not started using the library (Septembers report on Library). Cllr Pace-Avery reported that the new headmaster is intending to use the Library, but due to the Estyn Inspection at the school and Christmas, this had been delayed. The Ducklings had already started to use the Library on a Weds. As of this week, Class 1 would be using the library on a Tues and Class 2 on a Friday. Library Volunteers need to have their DBS completed.
 - Bat Friendly Town and Community on-line Cllr Rickard attending will report back next month.
 - Police Beat Surgery Thurs evening in Institute
 - Memorial Survey by Powys County Council
 - Local Speed Limits Beulah applying to have the 40mph changed to 20mph
 - Martin Davies Rights of way officer Funding available to improve pathways etc but require a percentage of money input from Councils **Action**: Clerk to respond, not at this time.
- 143. Any other business for inclusion on next month's Agenda.

Council Assets – Victory in Europe – Flooding – National Holocaust Day

Councillors are reminded that if there is anything they would like on the agenda for next month it needs to be submitted to the Clerk a week before the next meeting.

Date of next meeting - 19/0/2025

Meeting closed at 21:08 Verified at meeting on the 19/02/2025 Minutes Amended: Yes/No Signed off by Chair: