

**YSTRAD FFLUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
20.03.2025 @ 7PM
PANTYFEDWEN HALL LIBRARY
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1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME AND PERSONAL MATTERS

Chair Cllr Elgan Williams welcomed all to the meeting.

2. PRESENT

Cllr Ieuan Davies;
Cllr Ifan Lloyd Davies;
Cllr Gareth Edwards;
Cllr Alun Price Jones;
Cllr Angharad Jones;
Cllr Richard Jones;
Cllr Gareth Owen;
Cllr Elgan Williams &
Eleri Thomas (Clerk).

3. APOLOGIES

Cllr Mel Briant, Cllr Non Jones and PCSO John Evans.

4. POLICE MATTERS

PCSO John Evans provided the following information re police matters for the past month:

Antisocial behaviour / Harassment: zero

Burglary: zero

Criminal Damage: zero

Theft: zero

Violence/ Assault: zero

Fraud: zero

5. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST: None declared.

6. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 20th February 2025

It was PROPOSED (Cllr Richard Jones); SECONDED (Cllr Gareth Owen) and RESOLVED that the Minutes of the 20th February 2025 were a correct record and were signed by the Chairperson.

7. MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Pantyfedwen Play Area

Cllr Gareth Owen had contacted Jacqueline Evans, Business Support Assistant – People and Places grant funding – The National Lottery Community Fund. A Quote was awaited for sand blasting and powder coating within the park, before applying for a grant. Fence in need of repair.

7.2 School Car-Park: Cllr Richard Jones had brushed the carpark.

7.3 Inscribing additional names on the Bont War Memorial.

Cllr Richard Jones had established the cost of a stainless steel A5 Plaque where the names of 4 persons could be inscribed. £90 for plaque x2 . It was AGREED to ACCEPT. To position on the concrete in close proximity to each other.

7.4 New bus-stop at Ffair Rhos

Cllr Ieuan Davies had located a suitable bus-shelter. To secure a parcel of land on which the bus-shelter could be positioned. It will be necessary to seek permission and to establish who was in possession of the deeds. To fund-raise to meet the costs.

7.5 Trimming of Ash Tree on the Village Green: work in progress – Cllr Richard Jones. It was reported that the trees within the Park, had been trimmed. (£1,500)

7.6 Grit Bin: Cwrtywern: It will be necessary for a representative of Ceredigion CC to inspect the proposed site for the bin to establish its feasibility. If suitable, it was agreed to purchase the grit/ sand.

7.7 Annual Dinner: Saturday 1st March 2025, Teifi Inn, Ffair Rhos. 7-7.30pm It was reported that a successful evening had been enjoyed by all present.

7.8 Grass cutting Over the summer months: Tenders One expression of interest was received from Mr Dai Benjamin

Location	Per cut and no of cuts and total 2025-26	2024-25	Projected – both the same cost 2026-27 2027-28
Glan-yr-Afon - riverside	£65 x3 = £195	£195	£70 x 3= £210
No 1-5 Maesydderwen	£65 x3= £195	£195	£70 x 3 = £210
Entrance of village approx. 2m from the Village Sign to include the Green	£140 x 6= £840	£750	£155 x 6 = £930
Around Pantyfedwen Hall to include the area within the fence of the Ysgol Feithrin and Park	£180 x 6 = £1,080	£960	£195 x6 = £1,170
TOTAL	£2,310	£2,100	£2,520

It was **AGREED** to accept the quote of £2,310 for 2025 and to ask if the 2025 price could remain constant for 2026 and 2027.

7.9 Victory In Europe (VE) Day Celebrations within the Village:

Thursday 8th May 2025: Beacon Lit.

Friday 9th May 2025: 1940s Theme Night within a Public House

Saturday 10th May 2025 – Village Tea Party- each attendee to bring own food and refreshments and flags if required.

Sunday 11th May 2025: Church Service

Cllr Ifan Davies to design a poster advertising the events and forward to Cllr Ieuan Davies to include within the Community Council's FB.

- 7.10 Signs – Keep Tidy:** it was reported that dog faeces proved a hazard at certain locations within the Village. Cllr Richard Jones to assign attention to the purchase of suitable signs to encourage dog owners to dispose of dog faeces in a responsible manner.

7.11 Committees:

Pantfyfedwen Hall: AGM: had taken place on the 17.03.2025 at 19.00.

Cllr Richard Jones reported that the Pantfyfedwen Hall Committee's income had decreased £1,000 when compared to the previous year.

Cllr Richard Jones appealed for all organisations within the Village to help with the painting of the exterior of the Hall in April 2025.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- 8.1 Green GEN Cymru** was hosting its second non-statutory consultation for the Towy Teifi project. The consultation of six weeks will extend from the **5 March to 16 April 2025**.

GreenGen said,

"The proposed line would connect the Lan Fawr Energy Park, located east of Llanddewi Brefi, Ceredigion, to a new National Grid substation at Llandyfaelog, Carmarthenshire.

The Towy Teifi project was part of Green GEN Cymru's plans to "develop a stronger, more resilient electricity network, adding much needed grid capacity to deliver clean, renewable energy for businesses and communities.

By adding additional capacity to the grid, the Towy Teifi project would support the transition to net zero, whilst unlocking the potential for future investment in the area, supporting the creation of jobs and skills." Proposals had been updated following feedback to the first consultation, and included:

- Two sections of undergrounding near to Merlin's Hill and Llandyfaelog
- Proposed pylon locations
- Changes to the route to reduce impacts on communities"

It was agreed to forward a response to GreenGen to express the Community Council's opposition to the proposal. Wales did not need more electricity generation and the desecration of Wales' natural beauty. The development will adversely affect tourism and the lives of those nearby.

- 8.2 Ffair Rhos Fair:** A committee had recently met to discuss the feasibility of reintroducing the former Fair at Ffair Rhos. Grant funding and insurance cover were considered. 23rd August and 6 Sept. possible dates. Minutes of the 16.03.2025 had been forwarded. Next Meeting Sunday 23rd March at 7pm at the Teifi Inn.

- 8.3 One Voice Wales;** announced the launch of their brand-new website. The new site, available at <https://onevoicewales.wales>, was designed to provide a more user-friendly experience, with enhanced features and resources to better serve councils across Wales.

Key Benefits of the New Website:

- **Improved Navigation:** Easily find the information and resources you need.

- **Exclusive Member Areas:** Access content specifically tailored for member councils.
- **Enhanced Communication:** Stay updated with the latest news and events.

- 8.4 Independent Remuneration Panel For Wales - Annual Report 2025.** In accordance with the requirements of Section 147 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011, a link to the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales's ("the Panel") Annual Report 2025 to 2026 was enclosed.

[Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales: annual report 2025 to 2026 | GOV.WALES](#)

Annual Report 2025 to 2026

The [Annual Report](#) highlighted the changes made to remuneration for next year. A full list of all relevant [Determinations](#) to be applied, are on the Panel's [website](#).

Legacy Report

This was the Panel's last Annual Report, before its functions transferred to the Democracy and Boundary Commission Cymru (DBCC) from 1 April 2025. The Panel had produced a [Legacy Report](#) to aid the transition of functions to the DBCC. This report included all relevant information on the work to date of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales and the areas of interest identified for future consideration by the DBCC.

Determinations 2025 to 2026

[Determinations](#) the Panel had made on remuneration and allowances in place for the year 2025 to 2026.

- 8.5 Other Correspondence: For information only- many emails had been forwarded to Cllrs, between meetings, electronically.**

9. PLANNING NONE

10. FINANCE

- 10.1 Clerk's Salary March. 2025** £238.33
- 10.2 Clerk's Costs:** (ink VAT) £63.40
- 10.3 Enid Hughes:** Pantyfedwen Hall Audit: £100
- 10.4 Street Lights: Ceredigion CC** £630.80 + £126.16 VAT TOTAL £756.96
- 10.5 One Voice Wales Membership:** £69
- 10.6 Hire of Hall:** Hall Committee: £165
- 10.7 Teifi Valley Trail: Update from Mr Jim Cowie re progress of this project.**

The entire 80-mile route from Strata Florida/ Teifi Pools to Poppit Sands was completely way marked with the distinctive Taith Dyffryn Teifi Valley Trail way

markers. A great deal of work had been undertaken and remained ongoing to ensure the route was clear of obstructions and safe to use.

The website was virtually complete and will shortly go public . This will include adverts and links to accommodation, food and other businesses which will increase as more are added.

The guidebook with turn by turn instructions was now written and will soon go to the designer before printing at Gomer Press Llandysul. There will be a Welsh and English edition.

Iolo Williams was the author of the *Foreword* to the Guidebook.

Many people and organisations up and down the valley had supported the project. These were mentioned in the *Acknowledgements* section of the Guidebook. Further costs were expected like signage, information panels and printing and more grant funding was sought.

Mr Cowie said, “Ystrad Fflur Community Council had previously declined to make a financial contribution to this project due to financial constraints. However, it would be appropriate for Ystrad Fflur and Pontrhydfendigaid as the first major settlement within the Teifi Valley Trail, was mentioned in the *Acknowledgements* section. Even a small contribution would help and merit the inclusion of Ystrad Fflur in the Acknowledgements - it would be unfortunate to miss the opportunity of some recognition for the community.”

It was PROPOSED (Cllr Elgan Williams), SECONDED (Cllr Ifan Davies) and RESOLVED to contribute £50.

11. Items for Facebook: VE Day

12. AOB

- 12.1 Cllr Elgan Williams will arrange a “maintenance” day** within the Village (brushing, weeding etc) imminently.
- 12.2 Litter Pick within the Village:** usually organised before the May Bank Holiday Eisteddfod.
- 12.3 Potholes were evident on the Square, opposite Pantyfedwen Hall.** To remind Ceredigion CC.

As there was no other business the meeting ended at 8.35pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 17th April 2025 @7pm.

Signed/ Date -----