

**YSTRAD FFLUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
15.01.2026 @ 7.00pm
PANTYFEDWEN HALL LIBRARY
PONTRHYDFENDIGAID**

1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME AND PERSONAL MATTERS

Chair Cllr Elgan Williams welcomed all to the meeting.
Members were saddened to hear of the recent passing of the mother of the past Community Cllr, Clare Hughes. It was agreed to express the Community Council's condolences.

2. PRESENT

Cllr Ieuan Davies;
Cllr Ifan Lloyd Davies;
Cllr Gareth Edwards;
Cllr Alun Price Jones;
Cllr Richard Jones;
Cllr Gareth Owen;
Cllr Elgan Williams
Eleri Thomas (Clerk) &
Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) John Evans

3. APOLOGIES

Cllr Mel Briant, Angharad Jones & Cllr Non Jones apologised for their inability to attend the meeting.

4. POLICE MATTERS

PCSO John Evans provided the following information re police matters, over recent months.

- 4.1 Countryside Crimes:** Lamping – hunting hares had been evident in the Swyddffynnon and Ysbyty Ystwyth areas in December 2025. Police had come across a car containing five individuals, a dog and lamps and were investigating the matter further.
- 4.2 A bike had** driven into, and damaged a gate.
- 4.3 Ffair Rhos: Nov 2025:** 2 dogs had been left out to roam and bail conditions had been breached.
- 4.4 Teifi Pools:** issues concerning a 4 x4 vehicle.

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

6. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 27th November 2025

It was **PROPOSED** (Cllr Gareth Edwards); **SECONDED** (Cllr Richard Jones) and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the 27th November 2025 were a correct record and were signed by the Chairperson.

7. MATTERS ARISING

- 7.1 Gauging the Precept 2026-27:** The Budget Report was considered (attached). The 2024-25 Precept of £8,710 for the Band D Council Tax Payer in Pontrhydfendigiad/ Ffair Rhos implied that a payment of £0.49 was made every week. After careful deliberation it was agreed to increase the Precept, which could be translated to a weekly payment of £0.75 for the Band D Council Tax Payer. The revised Precept would be set as £13,332. All agreed to this proposal apart from Cllr Alun Price Jones, who voted AGAINST.
Ceredigion CC will be informed accordingly.
- 7.2 Bont Pavilion:** Cllr Ieuan Davies, Cllr Gareth Edwards and County and Community Cllr Ifan Davies represented the Community Council on the newly formed committee re the Pavilion, which included members from many local committees. They endeavoured to establish the way forward re the future of the Pavilion.
- 7.3 Place Plan: Drop In Session for the Public had taken place on Thursday 4th December 2025 (12 noon – 7pm) at the Pantyfedwen Hall:** <https://placemaking-ceredigion.wales/> and had proven a success. An online session will take place shortly and a delegation of the Community Council will attend.
- 7.4 Pantyfedwen Play Area**
It was agreed to assign attention to the National Lottery Grant. Hazel Thomas Chief Executive CAVO could offer assistance in relation to grant funding and recommended Lottery Funding [Arian i Bawb y Loteri Genedlaethol Cymru | Cronfa Gymunedol y Loteri Genedlaethol](#) – many places within Ceredigion had been successful in their application and it was worth assigning attention to the grant in her opinion.
- 7.5 Grit Bin: in the environs of Heol y Bannau:** was now in place. Cllr Alun Price Jones enquired why the Maesydderwen Estate had not been a candidate for a Grit Bin considering the demand during inclement weather in this vicinity. It was explained that the gradient was not sufficient to warrant a bin. The Community Council considered purchasing a grit/salt bin for the Maesydderwen Estate. It was agreed to find out the cost of doing so.
- 7.6 Biodiversity Section 6:** Work in progress. Cllr Mel Briant was assigning attention to the matter.
- 7.7 Vehicle Parked on Green:** The lift remained on the Green despite the fact that the vehicle had been removed.
- 7.8 Parking in front of Garage: double yellow lines in need of refreshing to deter parking in this area.** To inform Ceredigion CC once again.
- 7.9 Llanilar Surgery** re ceasing the delivery of prescriptions to the Pantyfedwen Hall, Pontrhydfendigiad and other villages in the locality. It could mean two journeys for the patient. A letter of opposition to this move had been forwarded to the Surgery, which would have a detrimental impact on the elderly, disabled and for those without a support network.
A response was received from Mike Coleman, Managing Partner, Llanilar Health Centre.

The Prescription delivery service was ceased on 17th December 2025.

It was with regret that the Practice had to make the decision to stop the delivery service; however, it was not possible to continue, as the cost of delivery was no longer sustainable.

It was highlighted that general practice was facing increasing pressure on resources, and difficult decisions had to be made to ensure the provision of safe and effective care to the 3,300 registered patients, presently and in the future.

It was appreciated that this change may be inconvenient for some patients, and the concerns raised were not underestimated. Nonetheless, any service provided was consistent with the broader obligation to maintain essential clinical services for the whole patient population.

- 7.10 Lôn Fach: Bont Werdd: flooding:** A response from Ceredigion CC stated that they were assigning attention to the matter. It was agreed to discuss the matter further with Cllr Non Jones.
- 7.11 Japanese Knotweed on main bridge of the Village:** A response received from Mr Brian Thomas, Ceredigion CC stated that eradicating the knotweed was the responsibility of the land owner. It was implied that the owners of the Red Lion were responsible for the land in question.
- 7.12 Public benches within the locality:** to position one bench by the War Memorial.
- 7.13 Committees:** No reports received.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- 8.1 Notes re the meeting held between** members of Town and Community Councils and the Chief Executive and Leader of Ceredigion CC at the end of November 2025. Ystrad Fflur Community Council had not been represented at these meetings. Notes circulated to members – for information.
- 8.2 Ethics and Standards Committee- Ceredigion CC.** Advert for two independent members for the Ceredigion County Council's Ethics and Standards' Committee. No expressions of interest. from the Community Council.
- 8.3 Ceredigion County Council:** Launching the Ceredigion Youth Strategy Engagement – Call for Action. Information re how to complete the engagement consultation – for information.
- 8.4 Community Boundary Reviews**

One Voice Wales (OVW) and the Society of Local Council Clerks extended an invitation to the Chair and Clerk of member councils who will or may be affected by the outcome of community boundary reviews to attend webinars to provide important information about the implementation process that will take place over the period up to the May 2027 elections.
- 8.5 One Voice Wales – Ceredigion Area Committee Meeting, Wednesday 14th January 2026 at 7pm via Zoom:** for information.

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

9. PLANNING

9.1 Planning Application: A260001

Applicant: Huws and Jones

Location: Cefngaer, Pontrhydfendigaid, Ystrad Meurig, Ceredigion , SY25 6EJ.

Proposal: Works relating to the installation of biomass boiler to heat properties on site, including erection of woodchip storage building, extension to existing building and associated works (retrospective)

Community Council's Observations: No Objections.

9.2 Planning Application: A250952

Applicant: ED Jones

Location: Dolbeudiau Land, Pontrhydfendigaid, Tregaron, Ceredigion , SY25 6EJ.

Proposal: Proposed dry muck store building.

Community Council's Observations: No Objections.

10. FINANCE

PAYMENTS

10.1 Poppy Wreath c/o Cllr Gareth Owen £25

10.2 Clerk's Salary: December 2025 £238.33; Expenses: £68.70

10.3 Appropriate Sum under Section 137 (4) (a) of the Local Government Act 1972 – Section 137 Expenditure Limit for 2026-27 for Town and Community Councils in Wales for the financial year 2026-27 was £11.60 per elector.

10.4 Insurance of the Community Council: to review at a future meeting.

11. Items for Facebook: None

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 Annual Dinner: Friday 20th February at the Red Lion, Bont. Richard to circulate the menu in advance.

12.2 Potholes were evident adjacent to Maesllyn, Dolau Meurig and Heol y Bannau: To report to Ceredigion CC.

12.3 Christmas Lights: Storm mats had been blown from their positions and could prove a hazard. To consider the matter during future arrangements.

The meeting ended at 8.45pm. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 19th February 2026 @7pm.

Signed/ Date _____