

Canolfan Dewi Sant and via Zoom

1. Present: Susan Jones (Chair), Darren Pollard (Vice), Kevin Ford, Steven Latham, Trevor Brand, Hannah Munro, Norma Wright, Clerk: Public: Dr Hugo Watts.

2. Apologies: Cllr. Terry Mendies, Richard Rogers (Holiday).

3. Meeting open to the Public & Press for 10 minutes: No comments.

4. Declaration of Interest & Gifts: S Jones declared she was on the newly set-up 'Sun Inn Community Committee' and an investor, along with Kevin Ford, N Wright, D Pollard, Mr Munro.

5. Read and Confirmation of Minutes: Minutes from the Ordinary Meeting 7th January 2026.

Resolve: Confirmed and accepted the minutes as a true and correct record by the Council. Prop: D Pollard Sec: K Ford. There were no votes against or abstentions, motion carried.

6. Matters arising from those minutes not on the agenda:

1. Reported local salt bins have been refilled by DCC. Each bin has a reference number, you can just call the Customer Service line on 01824 706000 or customerservices@denbighshire.gov.uk

2. A public right of way (footpath No.2) being obstructed by a gate having a private padlock installed to deny passage, in Llanarmon was resolved by DCC.

7. Cllr Terry Mendies: On holiday, today; but as always had sent emails and information during the month, to keep the council fully up-to-date.

8. Planning:

15/2026/0012/HH: 2 Ochr y Foel, Eryrys: Erection of a ground floor extension, and first floor extension with associated works. **Resolve: Supported.**

9. Finance Matters and Schedule of payments:

1. D Pollard checked and signed all bank statements against all transactions made, on all accounts; they were accepted.

2. S Jones confirmed, signed authorisation for internet banking / card payments; balances and transactions.

3. Bank account details; Main: £12,979.71 : Reserve: £5,252.04: Projects: £6,091.39

4. Defib pads have been purchased; accounts will be transferred when all pads have been delivered (£250 for pads less VAT reclaimed). Council informed NHS had provided one free of charge as it had been used, but the more expensive 5-years pads had been purchased; (as cheaper one-year pads were not available, a refund is expected from such an order).

5. a. Payment Schedule

£115.20R E Supplies Medical (3 packs of adult Zoll pads) * out of stock payment refunded

£643.79 Clerk Feb

£218.02 HMRC Feb

£34.20 Jones & Graham payroll

£18.00 Canolfan Dewi Sant January 2026

£150.00 Defib Store 60907

£150.00 Defib Store 61138

b. Prices gained so far, for signs have been very expensive. Further enquiries will be made to use the remaining £250 Lottery, for Welsh information signs for Llan Playing Field.

Council authorised 9(1-5): Resolve: All Finance Matters & Payments Schedule, Confirmed & Approved.

Prop: D Pollard Sec: K Ford. No votes against or abstentions motion carried.

10. Maintenance/ Biodiversity Matters:

A) With reference to the ROSPA Report and following the earlier site meeting on Llanarmon Field, with Michael Jones Ruthin Welder, Gareth Bryan (H&S Warden) and Clerk; LCC agreed to accept the quote for the repairs to the safety railing on the skate park, including the repainting of the rusty parts; along with repairs to the goal posts.

b) Council agreed with H Watts, that the grass has grown well around the new play equipment, inside the matting and may need an extra cut for H&S.

c) Ray Parry had returned to replace the two faulty screws on a piece of equipment that had been reported, in Llan field.

d) Following a poll of Graianrhyd residents, the costs of installing a small swings / slide play area in Graianrhyd field are being forwarded to DCC in addition to organizations for gaining grants. The idea of a BBQ area will be discussed after the play-area stages of the field development is completed.

e) Complaints concerning the large amount of litter in our community. Volunteers are requested to join the annual Conservation Society litter picking event, to be held on 28th March; just meet outside the local pubs. Also, DCC contacted as there is quite a lot of plastic and litter that has blown off their refuge-wagons in Graianrhyd. Many thanks to locals and T Brand who litter pick in Graianrhyd.

B) Biodiversity future plans of LCC: This will hopefully include DCC agencies working with LCC and becoming more involved with help, advice and funding for Hen Ardd, Eryrys as part of the Section 6. Council had written for help last month – but no reply so far. **Resolve:** The **LCC Biodiversity Report** is completed, and accepted. Prop S Jones Sec: K Ford. There were no votes against or abstentions, motion carried.

LCC Biodiversity Future Action Plan for 2026- 2029 outline was accepted, Councillors continue to update plans working to achieving a wide variety of goals and targets. Residents and local organisations will be asked to volunteer and contribute both ideas and time, being involved with changes and events supporting our community.

Councillors talked about considering paying and honorarium and expenses for a volunteer Yards-Man; this could involve picking-up litter in the community, looking after the planted produce, cleaning the bus shelters, casual DIY. If anyone was interested they should contact the Clerk.

On Sunday 8th Feb at 1pm Kevin Ford and Gwyndaff Jones will install bird boxes, Bug Hotel/Nature Home, and 'help-yourself vegetable boxes' for the Graianrhyd Community Garden. Volunteers are asked to spare an hour and come along and help to start to install the new wild-life/nature-pond, if the weather allows.

11. Dates future or attended:

(a) Meetings & Events:

- i. 5th February 9.30am - 4pm Venue Cymru Llandudno North East Wales Biodiversity Partnership - conference, Marvellous Meadows.** With One Voice Wales'
- ii. 12th February 6pm** – DCC Information Sessions 'Long Range' WAN - 'Wide-Area Network'. These gateways will allow individual, businesses and the council to utilise internet of things, sensors to sense, monitor, manage and report - via teams, book by email or phone. Kate Thew – 07920767514 CTCCLiaisonOfficer@denbighshire.gov.uk
- iii. 13th -27th February** The Clwydian Range & Dee Valley National Landscape programme events for Wales Dark Sky <I:\Dark Sky\Dark Sky Events all years\Dark Skies Week 2026\Promotional items\DSW2026 Programme English.jpg>
- iv.** Ray Parry Playground meeting 4th Feb; Sovereign Playgrounds meeting 17th March – for Graianrhyd field.

(b) Training: Clerk attended 2.2.26 Parish on Line, Gov.uk email services for Assertion 10. The Llanarmon .com email for councillors and clerk are acceptable – but not considered best practice. Appreciated to change to a Gov.uk email and website will incur a cost. K Patterson will be asked if the Llanarmon.com website used meets the required standard for accessibility. Clerk will attend Wed 11th February, 10am Mastering Year End 2026 by Scribe.

12. Correspondence: Emails forwarded.

1. DCC has circulated information of a Residents' Survey for all to send comments; also on their website.

2 New National Park Proposal - Latest updates: <https://naturalresourceswales.gov.uk/about-us/how-we-are-managed/board-meeting-dates-agendas-and-minutes/12-january-2026/?lang=en>

Public Notice period from the 16 Jan until 15 Feb 2026, to formally respond to the proposal.

<https://ymgyngori.cyfoethnaturiol.cymru/north-east-gogledd-ddwyrain/notification-period-2026/>

13. Unrhyw fater arall / other Matters Brought to Councillor/Representatives Attention:

1. St Garmon's Graveyard has CCTV; unfortunately, the problem of an anonymous glass-bottles dumper has returned. Posters will be put up in the village, to ask for this to stop. If it doesn't then the footage will be given to the Police, of the local resident who is dumping these bottles forcing the council to prosecute the offender.
2. Reported to DCC concerns about trees being cut down which are thought to be protected in Graianrhyd.
3. Reported to DCC blocked drains/grids near North Hills Farm, Rose & Crown, Llanarmon Rd near the quarry Graianrhyd and other local roads are causing flooding problems.

14. General Meeting: 7pm Wednesday 4th MARCH 2026 at Canolfan Dewi Sant, Eryrys and Zoom.

All minutes are 'draft' until signed off by the Chair. Meeting ended 8.20pm.

Signed Dated.....