

Cyngor Cymuned Llanarmon yn Iâl Community Council
4th March 2026 7pm Ordinary Meeting of Llanarmon yn Ial Community Council
Canolfan Dewi Sant and via Zoom

1. Present: Susan Jones (Chair), Darren Pollard (Vice), Kevin Ford, Steven Latham, Trevor Brand, Richard Rogers
Cllr. Terry Mendies, Norma Wright, Clerk: **Public:** Dr Hugo Watts.

2. Apologies: Hannah Munro (work)

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

4. Declaration of Interest & Gifts: None

5. Read and Confirmation of Minutes: Minutes from the Ordinary Meeting 4th February 2026.

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

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

Reported concerns to DCC about trees being cut down, and thought to be protected in Graianrhyd; a site visit from DCC
Tree Officer met with the resident – the trees are not protected, one tree had been felled, others pruned.

7. Cllr Terry Mendies Reported on: 1) Planning issues and planning applications; new Lead Planning officer and
Enforcement Officer to be employed. 2) Issues in the Ward ahead of a meeting with the HoS.3) Meeting with the new
CEO. 4) Confirmed the collapsing Back Road, Llanarmon is on the “Wish List” along with £15,000 for Hen Ardd,
£15,000 for Eryrys housing parking issues; School Lane resurfacing due to start. Cllr Mendies will request the
installation of two black litter bins on the lane from the Sun Inn Eryrys (at the far end of Eryrys Walk and near
Arbennig Lodges) to The Rose and Crown at Graianrhyd.

8. Planning:

15/2025/0493/PF: Burley Hill Garage, Llanarmon. **Resolve:** Use of site as coach depot to include maintenance
facilities. After a discussion it was agreed to include on April’s Agenda, for comments.

15/2026/0071/PF: Ty Isa, Llanferres Road, Llanarmon, CH7 5SN: Change of use and alterations of buildings and land
from agricultural use to cultivation, harvesting and packaging of micro-herbs and mixed leaf salads. Erection of a lean-
to extension to the buildings; erection of a polytunnels; and formation of a raised bed herb garden. Replacement of
existing static caravan with a chalet type office/grow room building, erection of a roofed structure to compost enclosure
to form a fish tank and associated works (part retrospective) **Resolve: Supported.**

15/2017/0172 & 0173 Engine House at former Nant Lead Mine, Eryrys. Restoration and conversion of engine house to
form one dwelling with new access track, (Listed Building Application). **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.
Following a reply from the enquiries with Skills& Education, they stated they have not received the £35 payment and it
is a banking error by HSBC. Clerk had handed in a letter to Chester office, as already had written to Mold Branch no
replies received yet.

2. S Jones confirmed, signed authorisation for internet banking / card payments; balances and transactions; and aware of
the £35 payment to be explained. HSBC will refund pending further investigation.

3. Clerk attended a meeting 10am 3rd March with **Chloe L Roberts** Llewellyn-Jones Solicitors; Concerning Tyn Llan
land for sale in Llanarmon; will be on April’s Agenda.

4. Clerk reported that at the end of February there was £12,315.70 current account and £5841.39 and £5,252.04
This includes all reserves and £250 ring fenced from the National Lottery revenue grant for Welsh language. The costs
of Welsh/English Biodiversity outdoor information posters are being gained.

5. a. Payment Schedule

£643.79	Clerk March
£218.02	HMRC March
£413.81	Clerk expenses Office Allowance/phone/mileage
£5.10	Bevan XL Bin bags for Maes y Droell graveyard
£18.00	Canolfan Dewi Sant Feb 2026
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£2118.00	Michael Jones Ruthin Welder
£225.00	One Voice Wales Membership 2026-27
£ 36.79	Anley Dog signs- pick it up

£159.53	Viking Stationary /postage stamps
£250.00	Yewbarrow Website Fee
£330.00	Llewellyn Jones Solicitors'
£13.15	EBay No fouling dog signs
£35.00 R	HSBC (will refund until further investigation)

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. A) Maintenance/ B) Biodiversity Matters:

A) Council were pleased with the work carried out on the railings of Dewi Sant Graveyard. When the weather improves the contractor Michael Jones, will work on the skate-park, along with repairs to the goal posts.

b) Council agreed with Dr H Watts, that when the weather permits the grass in Llanarmon playing field around the new play equipment, inside the matting will need an extra cut for H&S. Reported a lot of litter on the field.

c) DOG MESS - LCC purchased signs to remind dog owners to clear up after their dogs. Cllr T Mendies will ask DCC is it is possible to provide two new bins for Eryrys. There is no excuse, for owners not clearing-up after their dogs. Due to increased complaints about dog mess being left in Graianrhyd Community Field, LCC agreed if it continues it could mean banning dogs from the field; as play equipment for children and community vegetable growing could be affected.

d) DCC had been contacted, and Cllr T Mendies will report again, the amount of plastic and litter that has blown off their recycle-wagons in both Graianrhyd and Llanarmon. Many thanks to local volunteers, including John Hanahoe who litter pick in our community.

10.B) Biodiversity

a) Following a meeting with Sam Langdon LCC were pleased to accept a grant from 'Keep Wales Tidy' of a pond liner, wild meadow seeds, bulbs and signage. Further grants are being applied for some play equipment for Graianrhyd Community Field.

b) LCC Biodiversity Future Action Plan for 2026- 2029, continues to be updated; plans working to achieving a wide variety of goals and targets. Residents and local organisations are asked to volunteer and contribute both ideas and time, being involved with changes and events supporting our community.

c) LCC had talked about 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 Chair or Clerk.

d) Kevin Ford and volunteers have started to fill the 'help-yourself vegetable boxes' with soil for the Graianrhyd Community Garden. Volunteers are asked to spare an hour and contact Kevin to come along and help to start to install the new wild-life/nature-pond, when the weather allows.

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 10am;** just meet outside the local pubs.

11. (a)Dates future or attended (b) Training

(a) Meetings & Events:

1. Keep Wales Tidy' Officer Sam Langdon 3pm 6.3.26 on Graianrhyd Field will meet with the Clerk.

2. 'Our Community Energy Projects' Knowledge Sharing Event, Colwyn Bay, 11th March, 10am; Details from the Clean Energy Feasibility Studies.

3. Clwydian Range & Dee Valley National Landscape Forum, requested a councillor to join. They hold two meetings annually to share updates. Next meeting - Salisbury Arms Community Pub, Tremeirchion, Thursday 14th May 7pm

(b) Training: One Voice Wales Training details for March April sent to councillors

12. Correspondence: Emails forwarded.

1. All Council Chairs' names are put in a hat and LCC Chair Sue Jones' name was lucky to be pulled out for a visit to Buckingham Palace Garden Party on Friday 8th May.

2. One Voice Wales launches its Manifesto for the Community and Town Council sector in Wales ahead of the election to the Senedd in May. There are 731 Community and Town Councils in Wales, covering approx 94% of the land area, and 70% of the population of Wales.

3. DCC will be resurfacing and tree cutting on B5430 School Lane and junction for Pant y Gwylanod.

4. DCC wants to appoint 2 Independent Members to the Council's Standards Committee, for Town and Community Councils within Denbighshire.

5. DCC Residents Garden Waste Subscription Service period will be starting on the 1st April 2026.

6. One Voice Wales have circulated the 2026-27 remuneration for Councillors. There are no changes to payments for Community Councillors.

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

- 1. K Ford stated his disappointed that DCC has not helped to contribute resources to provide free or affordable Welsh lessons in Eryrys. He now had details from a Llysfasi College tutor who is willing to try to help. Cllr Mendies will also continue with this request to DCC.
- 2. S Latham reported the complaint from the Raven Pub, of the damage/ inconvenience that the large-bin wagons cause by turning around on their small car park. Cllr Mendies will make enquiries.
- 3. S Jones Chair, this month had personally reported over 7 issues to DCC;- local blocked road-drains/grids, potholes and has requested, again one year later, for the directional finger post-sign to be returned/ installed at the Rose & Crown junction. Cllr Mendies promised to chase this up with DCC.

14. General Meeting: 7pm Wednesday 1st April 2026 at Canolfan Dewi Sant, Eryrys and Zoom.
All minutes are 'draft' until signed off by the Chair. Meeting ended 8.05pm.

Signed Dated.....