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LLANBRADACH & PWLL-Y-PANT  
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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5<sup>th</sup> March 2025

**Dear Chair and Members of Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council**

You are summoned to the **ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MEETING** of Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council held on **MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 6.15pm** at Llanbradach Community Centre. The meeting will be in MULTI-LOCATIONAL format in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

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The business to be transacted is set out in the agenda below.

Yours sincerely

*C Mortimer*

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Clerk to the Council

### **AGENDA**

- 1 Declarations of Interest**  
Councillors are reminded of their personal responsibility to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interest(s) in respect of any item of business on this agenda in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution, and the Code of Conduct for both Councillors and Clerk.
- 2 Apologies**
- 3 Police Update** – to include the arson attacks.
- 4 United Welsh** – Mr Richard Thomas
- 5 Twyn Hywel Wind Farm** – Ms Eluned Lewis, Community Investment, Bute Energy.
- 6 Public Participation**
- 7 Chair's Announcements**
- 8 Minutes**  
To receive and if approved to confirm and sign the **Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 10/02/2025** as an accurate record.

**9 Matters Arising**

**Re: Minute no. 142 (i) on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024 - The Crown Estate**

To receive and note response from the Welsh Government following our request to transfer the management of the assets of the Crown Estate in Wales to the people of Wales.

*“Thank you for your e-mail of the 21<sup>st</sup> of January regarding the motion passed by Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council stating that the Crown Estate should be devolved to Wales.*

*We welcome the motion put forward by the Council. Our programme for Government includes a commitment to pursue the devolution of the Crown Estate in line with Scotland, and our position on that remains unchanged. It is important that the Welsh Government have the powers to pursue net zero in a way that retains wealth in Wales, and management of Crown Estate assets would greatly contribute to this goal.*

*The Independent Commission on the Constitutional Future of Wales has recommended devolution of the Crown Estate to Wales, and that an expert group should be established to ascertain how the devolution settlement between the UK Government and the Welsh Government could be reformed, particularly with regards to energy generation.*

We have held initial discussions with UK Government on the constitutional reform agenda, and the UK Government has recently announced that a Welsh Commissioner will be appointed as part of the Crown Estate Bill. We look forward to collaborating with the UK Government to ensure we maximise the opportunities and benefits for the people of Wales, while working towards our goal of devolving the Crown Estate to Wales”.

**10 Finance to 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

**(i) Balance of Funds**

To receive, confirm and approve ‘Balance of Funds’ document.

**(ii) Reconciliation**

To receive, confirm and approve reconciliation document.

**(iii) Bank Statements**

To receive, confirm and approve bank statements 261 & 262.

**(iv) Memorial Bench**

Council is requested to ratify the following:

- (a) additional items as agreed for the bench at a cost of £1,280 (helmet, pick, rifle)
- (b) 2<sup>nd</sup> bench cost to the sum of £840, reusing old metal sides.
- (c) Galvanising costs to the sum of £170

**11 Smart Money Cymru – Community Investment Bond**

To receive and note

**12 Audit Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 and 2024 – deferred from last meeting as awaiting response from Audit Wales.**

**13 Section 137 - Discretionary Expenditure Limit for 2025-2026**

Members are requested to receive and note the following:

An appropriate sum for the purposes of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for Community and Town Councils in Wales for the financial year 2025-26 is £11.10 Section 137(1) of the 1972 Act permits each Community or Town Council to incur expenditure for purposes for which it has no other specific powers if the Council considers that the expenditure is in the interests of, and will bring direct benefit to, the area or any part of it, or all or some of its inhabitants, providing that the benefit is commensurate with the expenditure incurred.

Community and Town Councils are also permitted under section 137(3) to incur expenditure for certain charitable and other purposes. The maximum expenditure that can

be incurred under both section 137(1) and (3) for the financial year 2025-26 will be £11.10 per elector.

For the financial year 2025-26, the appropriate sum for the purposes of section 137(4)(a) is calculated by applying the formula set out in Schedule 12B to the 1972 Act. The Retail Prices Index increased by 2.68% between September 2023 and September 2024. This means that, by application of the formula, the appropriate sum for the financial year 2025-26 increases from £10.81 to £11.10 per elector.

Therefore, members are to note that for 2025/26 the following applies:  
 $3,241 \text{ electors} \times £11.10 = £35,975.10$  for Section 137(1) and  
 $£35,975.10$  for Section 137(3).

*\* CCBC Electoral Services figure Feb 2025*

- 14 Financial Assistance/Grants 2024/25** (late applications will be tabled).
  - (i) Kids Cancer Charity Appeal
  - (ii) SSAFA – the Armed Forces Charity (Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen’s Families Association).
- 15 Projects 2024/25**
  - (i) To receive project summary
  - (ii) Victory in Europe (VE Day) Commemoration to mark 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary since the end of WWII in Europe – extra Bank holiday on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025.
  - (iii) Any new project proposals
- 16 Training- Members are encouraged and supported to attend training**  
**To receive:**
  - (i) Training sessions
  - (ii) Training Plan
- 17 Ty’n y Graig Footbridge Update - Transport for Wales (TfW)**  
To receive and note update
- 18 Bluebell Woods Bluebell Woods Update - Llanbradach Area Regeneration Committee (LARC)**  
It has previously been noted that LARC has received charitable status.
- 19 Land at Wingfield Works Lane Llanbradach CF83 3RW**  
To receive and note any updates, if there are any.
- 20 CCTV in Llanbradach**  
To receive, note and comment
- 21 Planning Applications** (any additional applications will be tabled at meeting)  
To receive & discuss planning applications. Comments or enquiries must be emailed to [planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk) within 21 days of receipt of the email date.
- 22 Next meeting Date:** ORDINARY Meeting on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025, 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre.