

**CYNGOR CYMUNED
LLANBRADACH & PWLL-Y-PANT
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the ORDINARY Council Meeting held on
Monday 16th February 2026 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre
in a MULTI-LOCATIONAL format in accordance with the provisions of the
Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.**

Present Councillors: N Cabble (Chair), D Edwards, C Mann, V Noble, M Robotham and E Thomas.

Clerk: Cllr C Mann in the Clerk's absence

In Attendance: PCSO Bev Coggan of Gwent Police and Eluned Lewis, Bute Energy.

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble welcomed everyone to the meeting.

140. Declarations of Interest

Councillors were 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.

There were no declarations of interest.

141. Apologies – apologies were received from C Mortimer due to ill health and Cllr N Hewer due to family commitments.

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble invited the Police Officers to present the next item.

142. Police Update – PCSO Beverley Coggan presented her report to members:
APPENDIX 1

PCSO Coggan explained to members that a speed camera was available for deployment in the village and asked for members' views on potential siting. Suggestions included Bluebell View, Rees Terrace and Coedybrain Road

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble thanked PCSO B Coggan for her attendance and she subsequently left the meeting.

Eluned Lewis was invited next to address the members.

143. Eluned Lewis, Bute Energy

Eluned Lewis, Bute Energy Community Investment Manager, was welcomed to the meeting. Eluned referenced a Dulas study based in Machynlleth specialising in renewable energy and community generation and said that she was interested in local sites for possible hydro schemes. A number of local streams were mentioned, the one of most interest being Nant Llanbradach with a head of 85 metres. There was also discussion on PV panels on public community buildings, including the local school. It is possible that developments could happen in the next 12 months. The qualifying area for public buildings is anything within 10 kilometres of the turbines.

144. Public Participation – there were no members of the public present.

145. Chair's Announcements

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble confirmed that she had delivered a bouquet to local resident Gwyneth Walby who had celebrated her 100th birthday recently.

146. Minutes

(i) Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 19/01/2026 were received, noted and approved as an accurate record.

147. Matters Arising – there were no matters arising

148. Finance to 7th January 2026

(i)Balance of Funds

The 'Balance of Funds' document was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

(ii)Reconciliation

The Reconciliation document was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

(iii)Bank Statements

Bank statements no. 273 was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

(iv) Transfer of Funds

RESOLVED: Council agreed to transfer £3k from Instant Access Account to Community Direct Plus Account.

149. Vacancy in Llanbradach

(i) Members noted that if a notice to hold an election has not been received by 17th February 2026 by CCBC Election Services, Llanbradach & Pwllpant Community Council will fill the vacancy by co-option. A notice of the co-option will be published.

150. Financial Assistance/Grants 2025/26

(i) Marie Curie

RESOLVED: Council agreed to grant the standard sum of £100 to Marie Curie

(ii) Llanbradach Junior Football Club

RESOLVED: Council agreed to fund the sum of £200 to Llanbradach Junior Football Club to assist with expenses for the junior footballers visit to our twin community in Brittany.

It was additionally agreed to agenda for review the level of grants at the next meeting

151. Projects 2025/26

(i)Project Summary - was received and noted.

(ii) Easter 2026 9th April 2pm – 4pm

There will be an event for younger children from 2-4 p.m Availability for the event Cllrs Cabble, Thomas, Robotham, Edwards and Newton. Possible – Cllrs Noble and Mann

(iii)Santa's sleigh 2026

Due to the way the dates were falling this year it had been decided to hold the event on Monday 30th November. The Oakdale Silver Band has been booked.

152. Training

Members received and noted:

(i)Training Plan

(ii)Training Sessions

Members are requested to forward Expressions of Interest to the Clerk. The importance of attending booked courses was emphasised, in particular the course for new councillors.

153. Llanbradach Library Update

(i) A Community Survey is needed to add to the Draft Business Case.

154. Ty'n y Graig Footbridge Update - Transport for Wales (TfW)

No further update.

155. Bluebell Woods Bluebell Woods Update - Llanbradach Area Regeneration Committee (LARC)

A Community Survey to ascertain support for the project is needed urgently. It may be possible to combine the two surveys – Library and Bluebell Woods.

156. Land at Wingfield Works Lane Llanbradach CF83 3RW

Members noted that discussions between CCBC and NRW as to the status of the work is ongoing.

157. Planning Applications

Members received the following planning applications:

Comments or enquiries must be emailed to planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk within 21 days of receipt of the email date. Further details on all applications can be found on the following link: <https://planningonline.caerphilly.gov.uk/>

Case Ref. 25/0888/FULL Site Area: 7463m² Location: Maesycwmmmer Service Station Main Road Maesycwmmmer Hengoed CF82 7PP (UPRN 000043090417) Proposal: Demolish existing buildings and develop a restaurant with drive-thru facility (Use Class A3) including access and cycle/footpath, servicing, car parking, hard and soft landscaping, and other associated works Case Officer: Anthony Pyne (01443 864523 : pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk Ward: Maesycwmmmer Map Ref: 315152 (E) 194328 (N) Community Council: Maesycwmmmer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Committee

RESOLVED: Objection on the grounds of potential traffic chaos and increased pollution on the A472. There were also concerns that there could be even more gridlock through the village which occurs if there are any problems on the A472. There were also concerns about increased traffic fumes, litter and social problems.

158. Next meeting Date:

Monday 16th March 2026, 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre

Signed: _____ Chair

Date: 16th March 2026