

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

**Minutes of the ORDINARY Council Meeting held on  
Monday 13th April 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\*, N Hewer, C Mann, V Noble, M Robotham and E Thomas.

**Clerk:** C Mortimer

**In Attendance:** PCSO L Gibbs and PCSO J Spokes of Gwent Police

\*depicts remote attendance.

*Chair Cllr Norma Cabble welcomed everyone to the meeting.*

**181. 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.

The Clerk declared an interest in Minute no. 189 – employers pension rate.

Cllr D Edwards and Cllr C Mann declared an interest in Minute no. 192 (iv) Llanbradach Bowling Club.

**182. Apologies – there were no apologies received.**

*Chair Cllr Norma Cabble invited PCSO Gibbs and PCSO Spokes to speak on the next item*

**183. Police Update**

A Police Report had not been received however members expressed concerns about vehicles being parked on pavements in various locations, noting that this was obstructing safe pedestrian access and creating potential safety issues. Members noted that while obstructions should be reported to the police, remaining at the location until officers attend may be impractical, as response times can be several hours.

*The PCSO's were thanked for their attendance, subsequently they both left the meeting.*

**184. Public Participation – there were none.**

**185. Chair's Announcements**

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble announced the following:

(i) A letter of thanks had been received from Marie Curie Cymru in respect of their grant.

(ii) Our Easter disco had been cancelled due to many residents being away on holiday.

**186. Minutes**

**Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 16/03/2026** were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

**187. Matters Arising**

(i) Members noted that the co-option vacancy has been extended.

(ii) Wingfield Works entrance could potentially be blocked

**188. Finance to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026**

**(i) Balance of Funds**

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

**(ii) Reconciliation**

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

**(iii) Bank Statements**

Banks st no's 275 & 178 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

**(iv) Unity Trust Bank Account**

Council noted that the new Unity account is set up and signatories were required to set themselves up.

**(v) Council Precept**

RESOLVED: Council ratified the transfer of precept payments from Caerphilly County Borough Council (CCBC) to the new Unity Account.

**(vi) Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS)**

Members noted that FSCS protection scheme, set up by the government, has increased from £85K to £120K with all UK authorised banks, building societies and credit unions in the event of it going out of business.

**(vii) Quotation re: removal of catenary wires**

RESOLVED: Council ratified the quotation received from Elsbury Plant, an approved contractor by CCBC, to safely remove the catenary wires and brackets on lamp columns in the village.

In addition, the brackets would also need to be removed, at an additional charge of approximately £100.

*Clerk declared an interest in the next item.*

**189. Greater Gwent (Torfaen) Pension Fund Employers Rates as set by Actuarial Valuation as at 31st March 2025 for 2026/27**

**(i) Pension Rates**

RESOLVED: Council received, noted and approved LLPCC's employers pension rate decreasing to from 24.10 to 15.8% for 2026/27 and as such agreed to the adjustment to the standing order.

**(ii) Employers Pay arrears**

RESOLVED: Council received, noted and ratified Employers pension arrears to the sum of £129.24 (from April 25 – March 2026) to Greater Gwent (Torfaen) Pension Fund, following an increase in pay last April 2025.

**190. One Voice Wales Membership 2026/27**

RESOLVED: Council agreed to renewing membership for 2026/27 to One Voice Wales.

**191. Financial Assistance/Grants 2026/27**

**(i) Caerphilly County Borough Council Mayor's Appeal Application No.1**

RESOLVED: Council agreed to grant the sum of £150 to CCBC's Mayor's Appeal in support of Home Start Cymru, a Welsh charity based in Caerphilly, which offers a range of parenting services to help families overcome challenges and to thrive.

**(ii) Fund for All Appeal – Urdd Gobaith Cymru Application no. 2**

RESOLVED: Council agreed to grant the sum of £150 to Fund for All Appeal in support of young people attending Ysgol y Castell and Coed y Brain being offered the opportunity of enjoying a holiday away from home with their peers.

**192. Projects 2026/27**

**(i) Project Summary** was received and noted.

**(ii) Playground improvements** – Clerk to arrange a meeting with CCBC

**(iii) Llanbradach YFC – kit Project no. Project no.13**

A quote from Sporting Solutions was received and noted.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to grant the sum of £100 towards the teams kit.

*Cllr David Edwards and Cllr Colin Mann declared an interest in the next item.*

**(iv) Llanbradach Bowling Club Project no.14**

RESOLVED: Council agreed to grant the sum of £350 as a contribution towards the purchase of bowls for younger people in celebration of the club's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year.

**193. Training**

- (i) Training Plan – was received and noted previously.
- (ii) Training Sessions – new training sessions from April will be emailed to members.

**194. Llanbradach CCTV Review**

RESOLVED: Council expressed support for the continuation of CCTV in the area noting its value as a deterrent to anti-social behaviour and its usefulness in assisting the police with live incidents and subsequent evidence gathering.

**195. Llanbradach Library Update**

- (i) Members noted that Cllr Mann and Mr Bradley Garwood had met with Bute to discuss the drawing up of a survey.

**196. Ty'n y Graig Footbridge Update - Transport for Wales (TfW) - no further update received.**

**197. Bluebell Woods Bluebell Woods Update - Llanbradach Area Regeneration Committee (LARC) – LARC are awaiting to learn of the identity of the new buyer.**

**198. Land at Wingfield Works Lane Llanbradach CF83 3RW – no further update received. Awaiting to hear from Planning and National Resources Wales (NRW)**

**199. Berllan-Ddu One Planet Development**  
Clerk to arrange a suitable date to visit (Thursdays to Sundays)

**200. Planning Applications, Determinations & Appeals**  
Members received and noted recent planning appeal Ref: CAS-04797-F6K8C8

**201. Next meeting Date: Annual & Ordinary Council Meeting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026, 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre**  
**Addendum: Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2026.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chair

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> May 2026