

**CWMDU AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
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**The following are the minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Community Council, be held on Thursday  
 16th May 2024 at Bwlch Village Hall**

**Attendance:** Cllr John Williams (Chair), Cllr Selina Clay, Cllr Martin Pearse, Cllr John Jones, Cllr Paul Silk, Cllr William Forster

County Councillor Claire Hall, Clerk Kay Bailey

**Public Participation:** None

<b>13/24</b>	<b>Apologies for absence:</b> Cllr D Meyers, Cllr Hank Jackson, Cllr Lesley Dogget
<b>14/24</b>	<b>Members' declarations of Interest:</b> none
<b>15/24</b>	<b>Minutes to approve from meeting of the 2nd April 2024 and any matters arising:</b> All matters arising items to be moved to the next meeting on the 2nd June, including the IT/Website/Communication systems report. <b>Proposed:</b> Cllr S Clay <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr P Silk <b>Resolved:</b> that the minutes are an accurate record
<b>16/24</b>	<b>Standing Item: County Councillors Report (for information only)</b> Report from Cllr S Cox sent via email to all Councillors - this was noted with thanks. County Councillor Claire Hall wanted to check that the report sent from County Councillor Chloe Masefield raising issues Cllr Selina Clay wished to raise in the responses that the replies are in general and not the specific issue. There was a specific issue raised? County Councillor Claire Hall stated that if there was a specific issue it is better to raise via the reporting online "faults". Cllr Selina Clay assumed that this would have been raised by Cllr Masefield, Cllr Hall will check if this was the case.  The response regarding evidence in relation to the increases in fly tipping needs to be more in depth and Cllr Hall was also asked to provide figures on fly tipping charges/prosecutions over the last 12 months.
<b>17/24</b>	<b>Standing item: Vedw Wood Charity (Clerk)</b> Report to be finalized and presented at the meeting on the 2th June.
<b>18/24</b>	<b>Standing Item: Planning applications:</b> No further applications at the time of publication. Cllr Silk asked if the Council had received the decision on the Chapel. The Clerk will investigate.
<b>19/24</b>	<b>Standing Item: Finance Report (Responsible Finance Officer):</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Motion:</b> Reconciliation to 31st March to be accepted by full council (quarterly signed) End of Year.</li> </ul> The Council noted and accepted the reconciliation.

- **Motion:** Payments to be noted and approved for April/May:

Date	Type	Name	Budget	Nett	Vat	Gross
28/04/2024	cheque	K Bailey	Salary	486.80	0	486.60
28/04/2024	cheque	HMRC	PAYE	121.80	0	121.80
03/04/2024	cheque	Stefhan Caddick	Office Services	71.00	0	71.00

The full Council accepted the payments above.

- The Internal auditor has been engaged and the RFO will deliver the paperwork for inspection in the next week, to be reviewed and signed off in June by the Full Council.
- Natwest online banking delay - Cllr J Williams explained that the delay was due to an administrative issue and that he will continue to engage with Natwest.
- Powys Rental of land invoices to be discussed and approved

The Clerk shared the invoices and the emails received, she is currently waiting for the new invoices with the suggested increase.

The increase to the allotment and playing field rental was briefly discussed and the amount that the Council invoices to the allotment group, there will not be a further gap between in the income and outgoings in the Council's budget. This will be looked at in further detail and that the allotment group should be informed of the coming increases for next year's budget.

The Council felt that as they had already set their budget for the year that they would be happy to pay the budgeted amount and will accept the increases in next year's budget.

**20/24**

**Standing Item: Governance**

- **One Voice Wales** - governance toolkit - Clerk & Cllr J Williams

Item to be moved to the meeting on the 2nd June.

- **Insurance** - the Clerk has contacted Zurich to update the contact details and to request policy coverage and the asset list held.

This item was dealt with at the Annual Meeting.

**21/24**

**Standing Item: Maintenance**

**Motion:** to accept the quotation for the maintenance to the broken wall - Cllr J Williams is still corresponding with volunteers for the maintenance/

**Motion:** to vote on the quotes to insure the War Memorial (11/23)

These items will be moved to the meeting on the 2nd June.

**22/24**

**Standing Item: Speeding & other Village Matters**

Previous Items to be discussed on the 2nd June

	<p>Cllr Selina Clay is still in correspondence with the volunteers to arrange training.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> That the view of the Community Council that the 20mph speed limit be retained in Bwlch and Tretower and that a 20mph speed limit be introduced in Cwmdu be conveyed to the Cabinet Secretary for Transport in the Welsh Government, and to the Cabinet Member for a Greener Powys in Powys County Council.</p> <p>Cllr Paul Silk stated that given the discussions with the Welsh Government  Proposed: Cllr Paul Silk  Seconded: Cllr William Forster  Resolved: to send this statement to the above parties.</p>
<p><b>23/24</b></p>	<p><b>Correspondence</b> - Councillors are notified of email from external bodies, some are listed below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Email received from Living With Dementia with thanks for the donation sent. - noted with thanks</li> <li>2. Llangattock Green Valleys - energy consultations in the five council area (leaflets and information circulated). - noted</li> </ol> <p><b>Outside body reports:</b> -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Hinterland Group</b> - no further meeting since the last</li> <li>● <b>Five Councils</b> - the next meeting is on the 27th June</li> </ul> <p><b>Update: The potential community use of Bwlch Church (Cllr J Williams)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Update on the project from Cllr J Williams - he confirmed that the Church has given the community 12 months to come forwards with a plan to consider leasing the hall, however they were concerned that any project would not place the Village Hall in a negative position.</li> </ul>
<p><b>24/24</b></p>	<p><b>Date of the next committee meeting will be the 6th June 2024</b> - the meeting date will be moved to the <b>20th June</b> as the date of this meeting is later in the month. The meeting will be held in Cwmdu.</p>