CYNGOR CYMUNED YSTALYFERA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Ystalyfera Community Hall

& online via Zoom on 19th March 2026 at 7pm

Present

Cllr. Rachel Townsend (Chair)
Cllrs. Hayley Morgan, Rhian Llewelyn, Ann Lewis, Julie Jones, Dan Davey, Geraint Williams (online), Kim Hopkins (online), Alun Llewelyn (online), Rosalyn Davies (online), Ann Jenkins (online)

Apologies

Name	**Reason**
Cllr. Simon Prothero	LOA
Cllr. Cathy James	Working
Cllr. Emyr Wyn Williams	Personal
Cllr. Steve Thomas	Working

		ACTION
5010.	**Welcome, Declarations of Interest and late Apologies:** Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. She started the meeting at 7pm. There were no Members of the Public in attendance. **Resolved.**	
5011.	**Minutes of Previous Meeting & Matters Arising:** It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 19th February 2026 were a correct record – **Resolved.** **Matters Arising:** • Further to minute 5004 Matters Arising – Clerk reported that the gate is due to be delivered. James Bayliss will fit. James Bayliss has also completed repair works on the path at Alltygrug Park. **Resolved noted.** • Further to minute 5004 Matters Arising – Cllr R Llewelyn reported that she had forwarded the email from Calon Hearts to Cllr A Jenkins. Cllr R Llewelyn also asked Tesco with regards to the blue token scheme. She suggested that Cllr A Jenkins meet with her to liaise. **Resolved noted**. • Further to minute 5004 Matters Arising – Clerk reported that sale of the plot at Prospect Place is ongoing. **Resolved noted.** • Further to minute 5004 Matters Arising – Clerk reported Pathfinders still haven't collected their garden items. They say they will be collecting them. If not, all agreed that Hadyperson plant some flowers in the planters and check if the swing is in a safe condition to be moved. **Resolved noted.** • Further to minute 5009 Correspondence – Cllrs R Llewelyn and J Jones attended the first Eisteddfod Cwmtawe. It was very sucessful with lots of schools involved. Cllr R Llewelyn reported that the Learner's Eisteddfod had also gone very well the previous week. **Resolved noted.** • Further to minute 5009 Correspondence – Clerk reported that the planning application for the One Planet development had been turned down. Members were disapinted with this news and remain supportive of the application. **Resolved noted.**	Clerk to liaise. Cllrs to liaise. Clerk to liaise. Clerk to liaise.

5012.	**Project Group** **Parks:** • Clerk reported that she had met with D Williams from Kompan and spent time at Carreg yr Afon Park looking at options. She also spent time online with him designing the new multiplay unit and surfacing. Lots of advantages with Kompan, parts very easy to get and long guarantees. He hopes that he could get a multiplay and all surfacing (including under both sets of swings) for £25,000. He will confirm this in due course. **Resolved noted.** • Members suggested that Handyperson be asked to paint playground equipment as some of it is looking tired and could do with a refresh. **Resolved noted.** • Cllr G Williams reported that Cllr EW Williams had stated that he has not received a response from the schools regarding projects at Godre'r Graig Country Park as yet. Cllr J Jones stated that it may be an awkward time due to upcoming exams. She offered to meet with Cllr EW Williams again to try to advance this project. **Resolved noted.** • Cllr A Llewelyn reported that he and Cllr S Grounds are aiming to coordinate projects for their £25,000 Members Fund grants. It was suggested that Clerk speak to Kompan regarding a disbale swing or wheelchair roundabout for Farteg Park. **Resolved noted.** • It was reported that the surfacing at Penyrallt and Farteg Parks need pressure washing. **Resolved noted.** • It was suggested that Handyperson be asked to move Hares fencing from Gnoll park and place in the Community Hall grounds for storage. **Resolved noted.** • Cllr D Davey reported that the Climbing wall at Parc y Gnoll is damaged and needs repair. **Resolved noted.** **Christmas** • Clerk reported that she has contacted Centregreat to say that Council would prefer to hire decorations in 2026 as well. Centregreat have confirmed this will be OK. **Resolved noted.** **Jerusalem Chapel Site** • Cllr R Llewelyn gave an update on the situation with regards the site. Fixed price for site is set at £15,000. County Councillors were meant to meet last week with NPTCBC but the meeting had to be rearranged. Plans need to made for the land before any purchase can be made in order to secure funding. Gareth George is currently coming up with plans. NPTCBC could fund 70% of the purchase with 30% needing to come from Community Council. There is a possibility that Council would have to pay for the land in the first instance and then claim back the funds used from the grant. Timescale is tight for the project as it would need to be completed by April 2027. Possibility of additional funding from other sources. Further update will be sent to Members once the meeting has taken place. **Resolved noted.**	Clerk to liaise. Clerk to liaise. Cllrs to liaise. Clerk to laisie. Clerk to liaise. Clerk to liaise. Clerk to report. Cllrs R Llewelyn & A Llewelyn to liaise with NPTCBC.
5013.	**Finance** • Clerk stated that she will be preparing the accounts and documents for internal audit at the end of the finacial year. **Resolved noted.** • Council insurance due for renewal on 1st June 2026. Clerk will meet with Gallagher to ensure everything is covered appropriately. **Resolved noted.**	

	Accounts: RESOLVED 204 PP Adobe Systems £29.96 205 BACS iD Mobile (Clerk's mobile) £37.40 206 BACS A. Thomas - Wages & Expenses £3,599.99 210 BACS HMRC Tax & NI £642.57 211 BACS City & County Swansea Pensions £609.88 212 BACS Fenland Leisure Products Ltd £2,894.40 213 BACS One Voice Wales - Annual Membership £1,093.00 214 BACS Ystalyfera Development Trust - room hire £20.70 215 BACS Coleg Sir Gar – Training Handyperson £625.00 216 BACS KDY Electrics - Hall lighting £174.00 217 BACS Centregreat - Festive Lighting £9,055.20 218 BACS One Voice Wales - Annual Membership £1,093.00 219 DD E-ON Gas £229.41 220 BACS NPTCBC - Footbridge Rent £2.00 221 BACS NPTCBC - Godre'r Graig Country Park Lease £320.00 222 PP Lebara Mobile (Caretaker's Mobile) £5.00	Clerk to make BACS payments.
5014.	**Planning** • P2026/0124 – Proposed conversion of attached garage to study – 9 Graig y Fforest, Godre'r Graig SA9 2DP – no objection. **Resolved noted.** • P2026/0053 – Proposed conservatory additional elevations – 1 Llys Harri, Godre'r Graig SA9 2EQ	Clerk to liaise with NPTCBC.
5015.	**Community Hall** • Clerk reported that she awaiting an outcome on the application for state of the art conferencing equipment. **Resolved.** • Chair metioned that she will speak to K Jones about grants and safe online schemes. **Resolved noted.**	Chair to liaise.
5016.	**Correspondence** • S & L – notice of planning application being refused. **Resolved noted.**	
	The meeting ended at 7:50pm. Chair thanked all for attending the meeting. Next Meeting will be held on 16th April 2026.	