



# Cyngor Cymuned **Glyntraian** Community Council

Minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026

At the Oliver Jones Memorial Hall

**Present:**

Councillor Richard Evans  
Councillor Edith Jones  
Councillor Ky Lewis  
Councillor Colin Hidden  
Councillor David Sopwith

Also present: Stephanie Masters (Clerk), Davena Davies (Community Agent) and  
County Cllr Trevor Bates

Chair opened meeting at 6:30pm

## **1/0126 Apologies**

Apologies from Cllr Pam Hughes

## **2/0126 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

### **(a) Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

None

### **(b) Requests for dispensations**

None

## **3/0126 Reports**

### **(a) Police report**

**SM** had not received a Police report. PCSO Naomi Tudor did not come to the Council meeting as arranged.

**Action**

**(b) WCBC Councillor Trevor Bates**

**TB** reported:

- **TB** had met with PCSO Naomi Tudor and showed her around the local area. They had spoken about the problems with 4x4 vehicles.
- Funding for Community Agents for 2026-2027 has been confirmed by Wrexham Council.
- Members of the Wrexham Council Executive Board had voted unanimously against the proposed North East Wales National Park. There were concerns about the expenses it would bring to the Council.
- Due to the adverse weather bin collections in the Valley had been delayed. Wrexham Council was attempting to catch up with refuse collections.

#### **4/0126 Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Oliver Jones Memorial Hall on 3rd December 2025**

**(a) To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2025 as a true and correct record.**

**CH proposed** the Minutes be approved as a true and correct record. **Seconded** by **DS**. **Unanimously agreed. RE signed the Minutes.**

**(b) Matters Arising**

- **SM** asked Councillors if they had any other issues they would like on the agenda for the 3 Councils meeting next week. The agenda had already been discussed at the December meeting and there were no other issues put forward.
- Snow and ice raised concerns about the safety of the carpark at the OJMH. **DD** had already spread rock salt on the hall steps but there was none available for the car park, Councillors agreed the Council should provide rock salt for future use. **CH proposed** the Council buy 10 bags of rock salt for future use. **Seconded** by **EJ**. **Unanimously agreed. RE** to arrange.
- **SM** had written to WCBC Highways to highlight the issue of repairing potholes that had been reported on the WCBC complaints online reporting system. Complaints were being closed after 90 days without the work being carried out. Kerry Williams (Head of Service Operations at WCBC) had requested any reference numbers of potholes that have been reported so he could look at why the complaints had been closed. He said normally complaints about potholes get closed if they didn't meet the intervention level, but said he needed to check that this was the case in this instance.
- **SM** had requested a price from WCBC for emptying the Pontfadog playground litter bin once a month but had received no response
- The 'Hugs and Hampers' had been successfully packed and distributed by **DD**, **SM**, **RE**, Robin Boston and Sarah Griffiths. These were well received and much appreciated.
- **SM** had notified planning officer about Planning Application P/2025/0799: (Notification for Erection of Agricultural Building at Penisar Glyn Farm, Bronygarth, Oswestry, SY10 7NE) and Planning Application P/2025/0851: (Change of use of Building from Holiday Let to Annexe to Main Building at Craignant Warren, Selattyn, Oswestry SY10) and confirmed the Council supported the both applications.

**RE**

- **SM** had revised the Council Budget and this was discussed later in the meeting.

### 5/0126 Correspondence

**SM** had received:

- A request from Matthew Evans at WCBC for the Council's required 2026-2027 precept amount.
- An email from One Voice Wales advising that the Council needs to write and publish a Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) outlining the actions it will take to meet its Section 6 duty (Environment (Wales) Act 2016) for the next 3 years. **SM** to revise the Council's existing plan for discussion at next meeting. **SM**
- **SM** advised Councillors the Council had passed the external audit, and no issues had been raised.
- An email from One Voice Wales advising the King will be holding three Garden Parties at Buckingham Palace this year on Wednesday 6 May, Friday 8 May and Tuesday 12 May 2026 and asking Councils for suggestions for nominations who are then put in the draw for an invitation. Councillors nominated **DD** for all her excellent work in the community. **SM** to advise One Voice Wales. **SM**

### 6/0126 Community Agent

**DD** reported:

- The Community Christmas Lunch was very well attended and enjoyed by all who came. 50 two course Christmas lunches were served and a further 10 were delivered to people in the Community.
- 8 hampers and 10 'hugs' were distributed in the community.
- The Santa Run on 23<sup>rd</sup> December had been a success. Selection boxes paid for by the Council were given to children in Pontfadog and Dolywern. There were some selection boxes left over and **DD** had given them to residents of the Dolywern Care Home as a gift from the Council.
- **DD** had applied for a grant from the Welsh Government but had been unsuccessful.
- **DD** explained Robin Boston and herself were planning to hold an afternoon tea at the OJMH on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January. She asked if the Council would give a £300 donation to cover the cost. **CH proposed** a donation of £300 from the Council. **Seconded by DS. Unanimously agreed.**
- **DD** had decided not to run a community trip to Llandudno this year. She explained her idea to bring the seaside to the community instead. She was getting prices from deck chair and sandpit hire companies. She told Councillors £161 had been raised from a raffle at the Community Christmas lunch towards the cost of the event. It was agreed to run the seaside fun day in August as a Council event. **CH** said the Council has an allowance for public events in the Council Budget which could be used to cover the cost.

## 7/0126 Finance

### (a) To review Financial Report and (b) to authorise and sign payments

**SM** had sent a copy of the financial report to Councillors prior to the meeting detailing the account balances, receipts and what had been paid. A schedule of items for payment totalling £4787.39 had also been circulated prior to the meeting and these were discussed.

**CH proposed** all payments be approved. **Seconded** by **KL. Unanimously agreed.** The payments were authorised at the meeting by **EJ** and **RE. CH proposed** the Finance Report be accepted. **Seconded** by **KL. Unanimously agreed. RE** signed the Finance Report.

**SM** confirmed there had been a receipt of £8765.65. (Precept: £8666.66 and refund of payment for turkey because this had been covered by a donation from the Llangollen and Glyn Traian Welfare Charities: £98.99), **SM** had transferred £6000 from the precept into the Council's savings account.

### (c) To discuss Council Budget for 2026-2027 and confirm precept

**SM** had revised the draft budget presented at the December meeting. Additional allowances had been included for the Community Agent and community projects and events. The precept required to cover expenditure was £ 27300. This was an increase of 5% (£1300) in the Council's precept from the previous year. **EJ proposed** the Council approve the revised Council Budget and calculated precept for 2026-2027. **Seconded** by **KL. Unanimously agreed. SM** to send request to WCBC.

SM

## 8/0126 Oliver Jones Memorial Hall

**DS** said the Hall Committee was still having problems accessing money from the Hall bank accounts. It was planning to open a new account with a different bank once the issue was resolved.

**DS** asked if there had been any further progress on getting the portacabin removed from the Hall car park. The Bowling Club had sold the porta cabin and was waiting for the buyer to collect it. They had hoped this would be in December, but this had not happened. **SM** to contact the Bowling Club to find out buyer's details so he can be contacted directly by the Hall Committee.

SM

## 9/0126 Agenda items for next meeting

3 Councils meeting

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:20pm

Next meeting will be on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 6:30pm



