



Minutes of the Council meeting held at the Coracle Hall, Llechryd at 7pm on the 13th July, 2026 in accordance with The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021. Virtual access was also provided.

Present:

Cllrs Ken Symmons (Chairman), Jan Culley, Hywel Davies, Dafydd Ladd, Gareth El Tawab, and Mel Robinson.

County Councillor: 0

Clerk

Members of the public: 0

Mr Ashley Jones the graffiti artist who is working on designs for the bus shelter in Llechryd presented his work to the Council. The Council expressed their thanks for the designs and noted the contribution made by pupils at Llechryd school.

The meeting commenced at 7.15pm.

1. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of interest on Matters arising from the agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Confirmation of Order of the Agenda and identification of any items that might be resolved in confidential session.

The agenda was accepted as presented.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of 1st June 2026 and 15th June 2026

Proposed that the minutes of 1 st June 2026 be accepted as an accurate record.	Seconded	
Cllr G. El Tawab	Cllr J. Culley	Carried

Proposed that the minutes of 15 th June 2026 be accepted as an accurate record.	Seconded	
Cllr J. Culley	Cllr G. El Tawab	Carried

Chairman's signature

Dated:

5. Update on Meeting arrangements.

Nothing to report.

6. Cyllid a Gweinyddu / Finance, Governance, IM&T & Administration

6.1 Year End, Internal Audit, and External Audit

6.1.1 Year End Update

6.1.1.1 2024-25 Annual Accounts Update

The Clerk reported that the 2025-26 accounts had been sent to the external auditors within the agreed timetable and the required statutory notices had been posted.

6.1.2 Internal Audit

6.1.2.1 2025-26 Internal Audit

Nothing further to report.

6.1.3 External Audit

6.1.3.1 External Audit Update.

Nothing further to report.

6.2 Financial Matters

6.2.1 Finance Paper July 2026-1

The Clerk presented a paper to the Council dealing with the following matters:

- Payments for the July 2026 Council
- Income received in the period 29th April 2026 to 27th May 2026
- The Bank Reconciliation at 26th June 2026

Monthly Payments Schedule July 2026 Council Meeting

The Clerk presented the payments schedule as set out in Finance Paper July 2026-1 to the Council.

Cllr Ladd noted the high water costs for the toilet. The Clerk said that he was looking into these as they looked high. Cllr Ladd suggested that the Clerk take a reading each month on the evening of the monthly meeting. It was also agreed to check that the right meter was being read by checking against the meter number.

The Clerk informed the Council that the reason that the salary costs were so high was that this represented the normal monthly charge plus the 18.5 hours of overtime that it was agreed would be paid at the last meeting.

The Clerk reported that he had only just received the Danfo invoice for March 2026 as it had not originally been e mailed to him. The Clerk said that there remained a £9 discrepancy on the Danfo account as a result of a transposition error that he was trying to resolve.

Chairman's signature

Dated:

It was noted that the Audit Wales invoice related to the 2023/24 audit but had only just been received by the Council.

Transaction Date	Supplier	Invoice Number	Item Service	Amount £
28/05/2026	Telemat	INV 11274	Exchange May 2026	38.02
20/05/2026	JDH Business Services	5550	Internal Audit	476.40
03/06/2026	Coracle Hall	1481	Hall Hire May 2026	20.00
26/06/2026	Playsafety Limited	99329	Playground Inspection	114.00
20/06/2026	E Bay	09-14796-74249	Printer Ink	23.82
10/06/2026	Royal Mail	n/a	Postage HR Committee	3.60
28/05/2026	Royal Mail	n/a	Postage Council Papers and Insurance Cheque	11.70
04/06/2026	Royal Mail	n/a	Postage Cheques	0.91
08/06/2026	Royal Mail	n/a	Postage Finance Meeting Papers	9.90
17/06/2026	Royal Mail	n/a	Postage Cheque HMRC	1.80
26/06/2026	Home Bargains	n/a	Printer Paper	3.99
28/06/2026	Telemat	11361	Microsoft licence June 2026	38.02
10/07/2026	Clerk	n/a	June Gross Pay and Overtime and WFH Allowance	1,044.99
30/06/2026	Danfo	1076	Toilets June 2026	329.58
02/07/2026	Coracle Hall	1492	Hall Hire 1/6/26 and 15/6/26	45.00
02/07/2026	Audit Wales	ARINV/015214	Audit Wales	627.85
31/05/2026	Danfo	1011	Toilet Cleaning May 2026	329.58
27/03/2026	Danfo	766	Toilet Cleaning March 2026	272.16
Total				3,391.32

Direct Debit

Transaction Date	Supplier	Invoice Number	Item Service	Amount £
31/05/2026	LAS Recycling	P288220	Litter May 2026	33.45
30/04/2026	LAS Recycling	P286104	Litter April 2026	62.85
12/06/2026	Dwr Cymru	7025619680	Water 11 Dec 25 to 11 Jun 26	358.29
Total				454.59

Bank Charges 10th April 2026 to 9th May 2026

Invoice Date	Transaction Reference	Period	Credits Paid In	Cash Paid In	Cheques Paid In	Cheques Paid Out	Account Maintenance Fee	Total
11/05/2026	486335345	10/4/26 to 9/5/26	£ 0.00	£ 0.00	£ 0.00	£ 4.00	£ 4.25	£ 8.25

Income Received from 29th April 2026 to 27th May 2026

No income was received during the period.

Chairman's signature

Dated:

Bank Reconciliation at 26th June 2026

The Clerk presented a bank reconciliation at 26th June 2026 to the Council.

Proposal

It is proposed that the Council approves the:		
• Payments for the July 2026 Council • Income received in the period 29th April 2026 to 27th May 2026 • The Bank Reconciliation at 26th June 2026	Seconded	
Cllr D. Ladd	Cllr J. Culley	Carried

6.3 Governance

6.3.1 Timetable Compliance

The Clerk reported that the timetable had been achieved for the issue of the draft minutes but not for the issue of Council papers. In both cases the Council had complied with its statutory duties.

6.3.2 Update on Outstanding Work July 2026-2

The Clerk reported that there had been little further progress with the outstanding work. It was noted that the translation of the outstanding minutes into Welsh had been completed with the exception of the tables which were put into the minutes in a picture format. The Clerk said that replicating this work in table form that would allow translation would be time consuming and expensive. It was agreed that the Welsh translations would be uploaded onto the internet with the original English tables.

6.3.3 Bank Signatories

The Clerk reported that the bank had requested that the Council resubmit the papers to the bank. The Clerk will meet Cllr Symmons to telephone the bank to answer their queries in the near future.

6.3.4 Public Engagement

Cllr Culley suggested that as part of the public engagement section Councillors list all the public engagement duties they have performed in the month and these are recorded in the minutes.

Public engagement up to 13th July 2026 included:

- Meeting residents about the planters.
- Making Pom Poms to decorate the village.
- Volunteering for stewarding duties at the Eisteddfod.
- Weeding around the Coracle Hal toilets.
- Making bunting.
- Road safety initiatives regarding tractors.
- Decorating the Coracle Hall.

Chairman's signature

Dated:

- Mencap events
- Riding for the disabled
- Disabled rugby.
- Water testing
- Attendance at the school fair.

6.4 Development and Training Plan

Cllrs Culley and Robinson are to look at the training programmes available.

6.5 Technology

6.5.1 Dedicated email

Nothing further to report.

6.5.2 Website

Nothing further to report.

6.6 Grants

Nothing further to report.

It was noted that the Community Council needed to be looking at grants to boost facilities and equipment available for the Resilience Committee for use in emergencies.

7. Ceisiadau Cynllunio / Planning

The council had received no planning applications.

8. County Council Matters

Cllr James had sent his apologies.

9. Committees

9.1 HR Committee

Nothing further to report.

9.2 Finance Committee

Nothing further to report.

10. Hawliau Tramwy Cyhoeddu / Highways and Public Rights of Way

10.1 Action

10.1.1 Mapping for Village speed

Nothing further to report.

10.2 Footpaths / open spaces

Chairman's signature

Dated:

10.2.1 Llechryd Bridge/River

It was noted that the Clerk had asked the contractor with the grass cutting contract to clear the weeds from the bridges in Llechryd and Llangoedmor.

10.2.2 Public Rights of Way

Nothing further to report.

11. Mwynderau/Amenities

11.1 Update on the Field and Play Area

The Council had received the latest RoSPA report. It was agreed that the Clerk would summarise this and implement an action plan.

11.2 Crossing between Garage and School

Nothing further to report.

11.3 Car Parking in the Llechryd Area

It was noted that this is a health and safety issue and the Clerk needs to raise this with the Highways Department and Police.

11.4 Bus Stop Decoration

The Clerk presented Paper July 2026-3 to the meeting. The option to decorate the inside and outside of the bus shelter seemed to be the best option. It was noted that the Clerk had now received a final quote from the artist and this was £1,300. It was decided that the motion in Paper July 2026-3 be amended to reflect this.

It is proposed that the motion: “It is proposed that the Council approves the decoration of the interior and exterior of the bus stop at an estimated cost of £1,350.” is amended to: “It is proposed that the Council approves the decoration of the interior and exterior of the bus stop at a cost of £1,300.”	Seconded	
Cllr D. Ladd	Cllr H. Davies	Carried

It is proposed that the Council approves the decoration of the interior and exterior of the bus stop at a cost of £1,300.	Seconded	
Cllr D. Ladd	Cllr G. El Tawab	Carried

Chairman's signature

Dated:

11.5 Road side flower planters

Cllr Culley informed the meeting that she had received interest from several residents about having planters. The planters and plants were being sourced from the garden centre and they would invoice the Council for costs. The garden centre were aware of the cap on costs set by the Council.

11.6 Defibrillators

The Council had received a report that suggested that the defibrillator in the Coracle Hall was not being checked regularly. It had been reported that it was not clean enough for use.

The Council instructed the Clerk to write to Cllr Wychwood so that they could get definite confirmation that the weekly checks were taking place. The Council asked the Clerk to put a definite timeline for response on the communication with Cllr Wychwood.

It was noted that the Council may have to look at an alternative provision for routine maintenance and so Cllr Ladd agreed to look at St John's Ambulance and Cllr El Tawab at private providers.

12. Events

The Llwyndyrus Summer Fete is being held on 7th August 2026.

An event is to be arranged at the Football Club for the presentation of the cheque by the Council at a date to be determined.

13. Adroddiad / Meeting reports

Cllr El Tawab reported that the Chair of the school governors had stepped down and a new person has been appointed to the position.

14. Correspondence including electronic communications/ Gohebiaeth (to include consultation documents not covered under any other heading)

Nothing further to report.

15. Materion Personol / Personal Matters - Cllrs Exchange of Information / Cyfnewid Gwybodaeth

Nothing further to report.

16. Date of next meeting

Monday, 7th September, 2026 at 7pm.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8:55pm.

Any agenda items for this meeting need to be with the Clerk by 21st August 2026.

Chairman's signature

Dated: