



Minutes of the Council meeting held at the Coracle Hall, Llechryd at 7pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2026 in accordance with The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021. Virtual access was also provided.

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**Present:**

Cllrs Ken Symmons (Chairman), J. Culley, Hywel Davies, Gareth El Tawab (using remote access), and Mel Robinson.

County Councillor: 0

Clerk

Members of the public: 0

**1. Apologies for absence**

No apologies for absence were received.

**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. Update on Meeting arrangements.**

Nothing to report.

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

**5.1 Year End**

**5.1.1 Accounting Statements, Annual Governance Statements, and Internal Auditors Report 2025-26 Paper June 2026-7**

The Clerk briefed the Council that paper June 2026-7 dealt with the following matters:

- Approval of the Accounting Statements for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026
- Approval of the Annual Governance Statement for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026

*Chairman's signature*

*Dated:*

- The bank reconciliation at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026
- The Annual Internal Audit Report for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026
- The Fixed Asset Report at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026
- The Fixed Asset accounting policies used by the Council

The Clerk explained that the Council's Annual Return is made up of the following elements:

- Accounting Statements for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026
- Annual Governance Statement for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026
- Annual Internal Audit Report for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026

The Clerk took the Council through the outturn position for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 explaining the major year on year variances on income and expenditure headings.

The Clerk presented a bank reconciliation at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 to the Council.

The Clerk then went through the 2025-26 Internal Audit Report with the Council. While the Internal Auditor was happy with the governance operated by the Council during the year he had raised concerns in his report about a number of issues and in particular:

- The use of personal credit cards for expenditure; and
- Regular reports to support budgetary control.

It was noted that the Council would have problems operating without the use of private credit cards at present as access to the Clerk's debit card had not been sorted. Finalisation of the new banking arrangements were seen as a priority.

The implementation of budgetary control procedures were noted as part of the Clerk's performance targets for the year.

The Clerk explained the Council's Fixed Asset Register and Fixed Asset Accounting Policies to Councillors. It was noted that a review of the Fixed Asset Register was needed.

#### Proposal

<p>It is proposed that the Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approves the Accounting Statements for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.</li> <li>• Approves the Annual Governance Statement for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.</li> <li>• Notes the bank reconciliation at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.</li> <li>• Notes the Annual Internal Audit Report for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.</li> <li>• Notes the Fixed Asset Report at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.</li> <li>• Confirms the Fixed Asset accounting policies used by the Council.</li> </ul>	<p>Seconded</p>	
<p>Cllr J. Culley</p>	<p>Cllr M. Robinson</p>	<p>Carried</p>

*Chairman's signature*

*Dated:*

## **6. Any Other Business**

### **Bus Shelter Decoration**

It was noted that Cllr Wychwood had not received a response from the original graffiti artist despite e mailing him. An alternative artist had now been found who was quoting a lower price than the original artist. It was agreed that Cllr Wychwood and Cllr Davies could take the project forward as the cost was below the quantum of £1,000 that had been agreed.

Cllr Wychwood is to e mail Councillors with details of designs before the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2026.

It was agreed that the Clerk would invite the artist to the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> July to update Councillors. The artist and school children would be given a 10 minute slot at the start of the meeting.

Cllr El Tawab as the Council's representative on the school governors would facilitate the invite to the school for pupils to attend the meeting to talk about their involvement in the project and their designs for the mural.

### **Planters**

Cllr Culley updated Councillors regarding progress with the planters in the village. Cllr Culley said she had received some expressions of interest for running the planters. It was noted that in some instances permission would need to be sought from highways regarding the positioning of the planters.

## **7. Date of next meeting**

Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2026 at 7pm.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 7:35pm.

Any agenda items for this meeting need to be with the Clerk by 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

*Chairman's signature*

*Dated:*