

Minutes of the meeting of Dyffryn Cennen Community Council held on Wednesday 14th May, 2025 at C.F.F.I. Hall, Ffairfach

The newly elected Chairman thanked the outgoing Chairman for her work and for keeping us all in order.

Present: Councillor L. Durgan in the chair

Councillors: D. Beynon, B. Davies, D. Greenish, L. Durgan, L. Griffiths, T. Amery, A. Freeman, County Councillor E. Thomas

Apologies: Councillor D. Davies, Councillor D. Sanders

Declaration of Interest - County Councillor E. Thomas – planning, Councillor T. Amery – Christmas Tree, Councillor D. Beynon – work to be carried out in the Play Area

3364 – MINUTES

Minutes accepted as correct.

3365 – Public Question Time

No one present.

3366 – Issues for attention of the County Councillor

- (a) Pot holes Pencefen
- (b) Parts of Trap roads dangerous due to pot holes
- (c) Small roads should be repaired

3367 – Finance

Following cheques were presented and resolved to be paid:

Audit Wales	£ 567.00 cheque no. 002145
Clerks Wages/Expenses	£ 333.20 cheque no. 002146
Chair's Allowance	£ 800.00 cheque no. 002147
HMRC (June)	£ 80.00 cheque no. 002148
Zurich Municipal	£ 345.17 cheque no. 002149
Cancelled	cheque no. 002150
Clerks Wages	£ 320.00 cheque no. 002151

New Financial Regulations 2025 accepted.

Copies of the Audit Report had been distributed before the meeting, the Cash Book and Annual Return were accepted and signed by the Chairman.

3368 – To consider matters relating to footpaths

Nothing to report

3369 – To consider planning matters

Carmarthenshire County Council – planning consultation PL/9239 – proposed improved gated vehicle access, placement of two shipping containers. – Plas-newydd, Ffairfach. Following the meeting it was agreed to hold a site meeting, any comments to be forwarded to everyone before sending a reply to Carmarthenshire County Council.

3370 - Correspondence

- (a) Traffic lights Ffairfach square
- (b) Change in speed limits
- (c) Revised Financial Regulations 2025
- (d) Road closure C2137 Llandyfan
- (e) Heol Cennen Road closure
- (f) Training dates
- (g) Code of Conduct Training (Counc. A Freeman put her name forward)
- (h) Road closure C2150 Ffairfach
- (i) Admissions Forum membership
- (j) Carmarthenshire County Council updates
- (k) Road closure C2146 Bethlehem Road
- (l) C.F.F.I. Rali – free admission
- (m) Road Closure C2140
- (n) Traffic lights Ffairfach square

3371 – Members’s Reports/Issues

Christmas lights – County Councillor E. Thomas agreed to meet the Clerk of Llandeilo Town Council

Counc. T. Amery reported that Charlotte Morgan had agreed to assist with Planning Application for Christmas Tree.

Following the unanimous agreement that a silver metal tree be purchased in lieu of the Green Christmas Tree which had always been purchased in the past, the Clerk was asked to prepare a report of the costs, etc.

2023-2024	£1,065.00
2022-2023	£1,056.00
2021-2022	£ 996.00
2020-2021	£ 636.00

The above report notes the increase in the annual costs. Also, annually we need to find volunteers to remove the Christmas Tree, with Health and Safety Rules getting more stringent it is getting a problem to have the tree removed.

Also, with a permanent tree in place, other events could be celebrated, e.g. decorate the Tree with poppies to celebrate remembrance

Defibrillators – Councillor D. Greenish had checked the defibrillators, pads and battery were required.

Ffairfach Play Area – rubber matting and bark had been put down in the Park but unfortunately a lot more matting and bark required. The Clerk to complete grant application for Keep Wales Tidy. Work was required on the Multiplay unit – the Clerk to enquire with Wickstead.

The Clerk to enquire regarding spraying the weeds.

Cornel y Tywysog – Councillor L. Durgan is going to make enquiries regarding plants for the pots. The Clerk to enquire regarding a Water Butt.

Tregib Woods – dog fouling – a reply had been received from the Woodland Trust stating that they had tried putting posters in place but they were ignored. They don't have the resources to purchase bins. Our complaints will be passed to the Site Manager.

Councillor L. Durgan gave here apologies for the next meeting.

Chairman: _____

11th June, 2025