**Cyngor Cymuned Onllwyn Community Council**

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on Monday 14th July 2025 held at Dove Workshop, Banwen.

**Present:**

Cllr Ruth Stone, Cllr David Wise, Cllr Lee Reynolds, Cllr Ian O’Kane, Cllr Maxine Woodward, Cllr Dean Cawsey. Cllr Dan Morgan

Clerk Mr Simon Chaplin.

**Apologies received:**

Cllr Gareth Llewellyn, Cllr Steve Thomas

Meeting commenced at 1830 hours.

1. **Apologies**

Resolved to accept apologies from Councillors Steve Thomas and Gareth Llewellyn.

1. **Declarations of interest**

These will be notified as and when needed during the proceedings of the evenings meeting and forms available for signing if necessary.

1. **Public Attendance**

No members of the public present.

1. **Matters requiring urgent attention**

None

1. **Matters raised by members**
2. Cllr M Woodward requests becoming a member of the Environment committee, unanimously resolved to agree.
3. **Received any other correspondence**

1. Grant request email received from Social Counselling Service; details explained to the council and resolved that they can request a grant from the community council in the normal manner. Clerk to make contact and obtain forms for a future meeting.

2. Clerk explained that the Lord Lieutenant office would wish to know if the community council were holding any event for VJ Day on 15th August 2025. Council confirmed that nothing is planned and Clerk to update office with this information.

1. **Approve minutes of Monthly meeting**

Resolved to accept the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 9th June 2025.

1. **Approve minutes of Environmental committee meeting**

Resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 7th July 2025.

1. **Matters from previous minutes**

None.

1. **Clerks report and payment list**

Resolved to accept Clerk’s report and approved payments list.

1. **Planning applications**

None.

1. **Training**

Clerk reminded councillors of need to book on to any training that they feel they would like to partake in.

1. **Windfarm application**

Clerk gave a resume of work that could be carried out to improve the area surrounding the Banwen pond. This could include renewing the fishing platforms/swims, new signage covering the pond life and flowers surrounding the area and enhancing disabled access.

It is known that work is needed and the three options in relation to the fishing platforms is to remove them completely, repair them although that may only be temporary or replace them with something completely new.

It was resolved that an application for funding can be put forward to the Maesgwyn Windfarm and that the Community Council would agree to giving 20% of funds up to £7000 towards the project and these funds would come from money held in trust to maintain this area.

An existing contractor had been previously contacted and their quotation was shared with the committee alongside other contractor information for the purchase of items. At this time only the original contractor would remove the old platforms and then would install new ones.

The clerk alongside other members will draw up an application to be submitted prior to the end date in August for submission to the panel in September.

It was agreed that this work is solely the responsibility of the Community Council.

A discussion was made surrounding the funds obtained by the Angling Club and members were reminded that this matter is for the Angling Club and anyone may contact them direct as a member of the community to obtain further information and does not bare any relevance surrounding the work that needs to be actioned.

1. **Fees for lease agreement**

Resolved that the Community Council will cover the extra fees added to the invoice in relation to the lease for the play park amendments required by the Rugby Club and the clerk is to make contact to arrange payment.

1. **Agreement for Angling Club partnership**

Resolved to accept document produced which was passed to Cllr D Morgan who will take it to the clubs next meeting for signing.

1. **Agreement for Rugby Club grass cutting**

Resolved to accept document produced which will be taken to the Rugby Club for signing by Cllr D Cawsey.

1. **Land rental agreement signing**

The rental agreement for Garyn Williams was signed by the Community Council during the meeting and the clerk will forward a copy to him for his records.

1. **To receive reports from Members on Outside Bodies**

None.

1. **To receive any reports on Policing Matters within the Community**

The clerk brought to the attention of the council two matters, the first being an email in relation to speeding along the main road through Onllwyn of which this has been forwarded to the relevant organisations for future action and secondly that a resident in Pantyffordd had brought forward an issue surrounding CCTV cameras on private properties overlooking the road of which the Clerk has forwarded this to the Police for their information and subsequent action.

1. **To consider passing a resolution that further to subsection (1) of section 2 Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the following items by virtue of the nature of the business to be transacted**

None

1. **To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of a confidential nature**

None

1. **To consider any reports relating to health and safety**

None.

1. **Nesting update.**

Councillor L Reynolds updated the community council that two Barn Owl chicks were successful this year in our boxes. He explained that there was some tree work needed with the willow surrounding these to clear flight paths and this could be actioned later in the year.

Meeting concluded at 1945 hours.

Next meeting: Monday 8th September 2025.

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