

Cyngor Cymuned Onllwyn Community Council

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on

Monday 12th October 2026

Dove Workshop, Banwen.

Present:

Chair: Cllr Maxine Woodward

Members Present: Cllrs Shannon Brace, Dean Cawsey, Paul Davies, Lee Reynolds,
Ruth Stone and Steve Thomas

Clerk: Mrs Catrin Rees

1. Apologies

Cllrs Gareth Llewellyn and Martin Crimmins submitted apologies for absence.

2. 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.

3. Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

4. Minutes of Monthly meeting.

RESOLVED: (a) to accept the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 24th September 2026.

(b) to accept the minutes of the Finance Committee held on 5th October 2026.

5. Matters arising from previous minutes

None.

6. Financial Reports

The bank reconciliation reports and payments awaiting authorisation (totalling £1517.95) were presented for the period 1st to 30th September 2026, for Members approval.

RESOLVED: that the above reports be approved.

7. Clerks report

a) Planting of Spring Flowers

It was reported that the volunteers had been given a budget of no more than £200 to spend on Spring flowers to plant during the month of October 2026.

RESOLVED: that the matter be noted.

b) Pride in Place Impact Fund

It was reported that three quotes had been received so far for work to the path around Banwen pond but one was considerably less than the grant amount. It was suggested that an additional area of path be included in the quotes to improve accessibility to the facility.

RESOLVED: that the three companies that had submitted quotes be asked to re-quote for the additional section of path leading to the pond from Roman Road.

c) HMRC Notice

It was reported that the appeal against the penalty notice issued by HMRC for late reporting of PAYE had been upheld so the Community Council incurred no cost in relation to this matter.

RESOLVED: that the matter be noted

d) Dyffryn Cellwen Public Conveniences

It was reported that the Clerk and Cllr Llewellyn had met with an officer of the County Borough Council on site to assess the work that would be needed to reopen the public Conveniences at Dyffryn Cellwen. The Officer suggested that the facility would need refurbishment but that it was generally in a satisfactory condition. The matter was currently with the Local Authority to confirm whether they would undertake the necessary work to reopen the public conveniences.

RESOLVED: that the matter be noted.

8. Community Matters

a) Grounds Maintenance

Members were presented with the dates that grass cutting had been carried out for the current financial year. It was noted that the grass cutting at Banwen Rugby Club Playpark was carried out by the Club and would be invoiced separately.

A member queried why the Community Council no longer arranged for grass cutting at the front of Onllwyn Welfare. It was reported that due to increased costs the Community Council no longer provided the service as it was the responsibility of the Welfare not the Community Council.

RESOLVED: that the matters be noted.

b) Play Parks

The Clerk and Cllr Ruth Stone had carried out an inspection of the playparks on 8th October. There were no additional issues identified only those currently awaiting repair by Sutcliffe Play.

The annual Playpark Inspections were due in December.

RESOLVED: that the matters be noted.

c) Pond

Nothing to report.

d) Pantyffordd Hall

It was reported that PAT Testing had been carried out at Pantyffordd Hall and due to incorrect information from the Company a significant number of items had been tested in comparison to the previous year. The invoice had been queried and due to the miscommunication, the Company agreed to the original quote of £79.

The Clerk sought clarification on the historical situation with regard to ownership and leasing arrangements for Pantyffordd Hall. Currently NPTCBC owned the Hall, the Community Council leased the building, and the Hall Management Committee were responsible for the day to day running of the facility.

RESOLVED: (a) that the issue regarding the PAT testing be noted

(b) that the Clerk obtain clarification from NPTCBC and the local County Borough Council Councillors regarding the potential for transfer of ownership of Pantyffordd Hall to the Community Council.

e) Cemetery

It was reported that measurements had been taken for an arch above the entrance to the Cemetery, but no quote received for the work to date.

RESOLVED: that the matter be noted

9. Windfarm Panel

It was noted that the Boxing Club Grant had still not yet been paid out as there were ongoing issues with their bank account, but they were working to resolve the issue.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk contact the Boxing Club to establish the current position.

10. Outside Bodies

Nothing to report.

11. Planning applications

Nothing to report.

12. Police Matters

Nothing to report.

13. Correspondence

It was reported that a request had been received for details of any available land for grazing of horses. Members were unaware of any suitable land.

RESOLVED: that the resident be advised that the Community Council is not aware of any land that was available for grazing of horses at the present time.

14. Any Urgent Matters

It was reported that there had been only one application for the current co-option vacancy which was closing at midnight tonight.

RESOLVED: that the applicant David Wise be co-opted on to the Community Council if no further applications are received by tonight's deadline.

Meeting Concluded at 7.00pm

Next meeting: Monday 9th November 2026 at 6.30pm.

Signed:_____

Dated:_____