

BETWS GG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held at Melin y Wig Hall on Tuesday 9/9/25 at 7.30 p.m

Present: Helen Hitchmough (Clerk), Hefin Lloyd-Davies (Chair), Shaun Turner, Geraint Jones, Connor Edwards, Glesni Williams, Dafydd Evans.

Apologies received from Emyr Roberts and Gwyn Edwards.

Chairman, Hefin Lloyd-Davies welcomed us all to the meeting.

Declaration of Interest. Hefin Lloyd Davies declared an interest when discussing the public footpath through Ty Ucha. No other declaration of interest on any other matters were received.

Minutes from last meeting (July) – minutes were agreed correct and were signed by the chairman.

Matters arising from the minutes – none.

Planning applications – no new applications received.

Training sessions were discussed:

- 29/09/25 Code of Conduct 6-8pm - Teams
- 23/10/25 Code of Conduct 6-8pm - Teams
- Town, City and Community Council Information Sessions - Climate and Nature 2nd October, Procurement 9th October, Internal Audit 16th October.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SALARY DECISION –Local Government Services Pay Agreement for 2025-2026 was received and accepted.

Allowances paid to elected members report as required by the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales on Members' Financial Recognition 2024-2025 – No one claimed an allowance. Clerk to ensure the report, which will include nothing to declare will be submitted to the IRPW before 30/9/25 – also Clerk will send a copy to Audit Wales and ensure it is published on the Council's website.

Biodiversity – Biodiversity Plan.

- Clerk to apply for funding to get a new bench near Betws bus stop and native bulbs through Keep Wales Tidy.
- Order 4 long wooden planters through Meifod Wood Products (these to be placed next to Betws GG and Melin y Wig signs).
- Discuss with the school for the children to paint Slow signs
- .- New team of biodiversity officers - Sam Langdon is the Officer for North Wales.
- Arrange a community activity in the Spring to collect litter around the village.

Finance Update

Balances

Account- 13214403 £67.64

Account 13214438 £8066.81

Recent expenditure:

£84 Krystal Hosting – domain renewal

£65– OneVoice membership for 25-26.

£1000 – Patagonia.

3520.61 Clear Insurance

Draft Budget expenditure for 2025-2026

Draft expenditure for 25-26 was discussed and set: Finances must be kept to cover any forthcoming electoral costs and audit costs

Clear Council Ins	400.00
Internal Audit - Rhys Jones	90.00
Erect noticeboard at Betws	40.00
Defif Store - renewals ?	400.00
Krystal Hosting	84.00
Audit Wales 23/24 - 24/25	500.00
Poppy Appeal British Legion	50.00
Capel Cynfal – cut cemetery	500.00?
Capel Gro – cut cemetery	500.00?
ICO Data Protection Renewal	40.00
H Hitchmough Clerk Salary	750.00
HMRC Clerk Salary	187.40
Fasthost .cymru domain renewal	23.99
Patagonia visit - Betws GG pupils	1000.00
Swimming costs Ysgol Betws ??	
Total	4565.39
Precept	4200.00

Welsh Policy – policy was discussed and agreed correct. –

Road closed BRON Y GRAIG, VILLAGE CROSSROADS TO BON YR ON CROSSROA, BETWS GWERFIL -
Reinstatement MORRISON WATER SERVICES. Road by ty Uchaf

Public Footpath through Ty Ucha was discussed - Hefin Lloyd-Davies declared an interest. Councillors did not have any comments or objections.

Next meeting – Tuesday, November 4th