

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LLANGENNITH, LLANMADOC AND CHERITON COMMUNITY COUNCIL, HELD
AT 7.30 PM ON WEDNESDAY 1ST APRIL 2026 IN LLANGENNITH PARISH HALL**

Present:

Chairperson: Martin Pashley

Vice chairperson: Jackie Royall

Councillors: Jane Howells Debra Woolley Vicky Dickeson Rob Lewis Morgan Dickeson Gareth Hopkins

Clerk to the Council: Kathy Browning

No:	Agenda Items	Action
1. (26/057)	Welcome and Chairperson's opening remarks:	KB / JR
2. (26/058)	Apologies for Absence: Cllr Ian Burman	
3. (26/059)	Declaration of interest: See item 10.	
4. (26/060)	Minutes of meeting held on 4th March 2026: Minutes agreed as a true record, proposed and seconded by Cllrs Gareth Hopkins and Debra Woolley, subject to the addition of agreement to review the draft annual and chair's reports (item 16).	
5. (26/061)	Questions from public: Nil.	
6. (26/062)	Roads in Gower: The community council (CC) considered ongoing concerns regarding road conditions and failure to meet published repair standards. Two residents have written to the CC regarding the bad state of the roads. It was resolved that a formal letter be issued to Swansea Highways regarding road conditions. It was resolved that Richard Lewis be copied into the correspondence. This will be escalated as necessary.	KB / JR
7. (26/063)	Matters arising from previous minutes: Llanmadoc Phone box: An electrician is going to look at how the electrical box on the floor of the Llanmadoc phone box can be adjusted to fit in the shelves required for a book repository – no update Section 4, planning: A response to the CC's letter was received from Swansea Council yesterday and discussion is deferred to the next meeting. Common Land Check: The clerk has requested a quote to repair the bench near the phone box in Llanmadoc. The wooden barrier around the bus shelter on Burry Green needs repair or removal, the CC has had limited public feedback and the subject will be raised at the meeting of volunteers due soon on Burry Green. It was noted that maintenance is required to the bus shelter itself, the clerk will check with Swansea Council regarding responsibility.	VD/KB
8. (26/064)	New matters arising / Correspondence: - The Gower Peninsula Charity Challenge is on 18th and 19th July - posted to Facebook. - Whitford Cockle Fishery proposal discussed, including environmental concerns. It was resolved that Cllrs Rob Lewis and Jane Howells attend the stakeholder meeting. - It was noted that the Welsh Government has published The County of Swansea (Communities) Order 2026 regarding the merger of community councils in May 2027. - Construction waste has been dumped on Ryers Down and this has been reported to the landowners. Information will be put on Facebook and the Gower magazine informing people of what to do if they witness fly tipping and how to report it.	JR/KB
9. (26/065)	Working group presentations / Updates: Annual plan: Members discussed holding a community engagement event in October. It was resolved that a subcommittee be established to develop proposals.	

	Cllr Lewis will prepare a draft proposal. It was noted the “Wilding” event was well received by those who attended. • Biodiversity: Grant funding has been secured for the Burry Green project and the tree delivery is pending. Risk assessment and insurance considerations were discussed regarding volunteers. A draft risk assessment is to be prepared by Cllr Vicky Dickeson and reviewed. The CC agreed to fund a spring cut of the grass in Burry Green if this was felt suitable after a site meeting tomorrow. The Wildflower Seed Giveaway is going well and more packets will be provided. It was agreed to use the current CC logo on information boards for Burry Green. • Emergency Plan: Cllr Morgan Dickeson suggested, and it was agreed, that the CC utilise the UK Government Climate Toolkit. It was resolved that a draft emergency plan be developed with a target completion date of December and will include a milestones outline. The CC will look at holding a local event with the help of Swansea Council’s Emergency Management Service to introduce the plan and gather information. The clerk will contact Swansea Council and let them know our plans as they are looking for volunteer councils to develop their climate toolkit.	JH/VD																
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10. (26/066)	Finance: Cllrs Vicky Dickeson and Jackie Royall declared a personal interest regarding the grant request from Llangennith Dog Show. Cllrs Royall and Howells declared a personal interest in being members of Llangennith Film Club. The councillors have approved the below payments: <table><tr><td>Payment to clerk plus expenses, ink and defib battery (£324)</td><td>£595.18</td></tr><tr><td>ChopnChat grant</td><td>£220</td></tr><tr><td>One Voice Wales, membership</td><td>£169</td></tr><tr><td>One Voice Wales, training</td><td>£126</td></tr><tr><td>Reimburse Cllr Howells for wildflower seeds</td><td>£115.55</td></tr><tr><td>Reimburse Llangennith Film Club for “Wilding” event</td><td>£406.79</td></tr><tr><td>Steve Kent & Co. Payroll</td><td>£170.10</td></tr><tr><td>Llangennith Dog Show grant</td><td>£400</td></tr></table> • Balance in bank at the end of March is £3,227.07 • March’s payments have been processed. • It was resolved to approve the donation of £400 to Llangennith Dog Show, proposed and seconded by Cllr Morgan Dickeson and Cllr Woolley. • Cllr Pashley has approached the CC web provider regarding a secure, cost-effective document-sharing solution for councillors on the CC website and this can be provided for a maximum of £325. The CC agreed to go ahead with this. • The insurance renewal premium increase due to the increase in precept was noted. It was resolved that the current insurance provider be retained at the end of May subject to review by Cllr Hopkins.	Payment to clerk plus expenses, ink and defib battery (£324)	£595.18	ChopnChat grant	£220	One Voice Wales, membership	£169	One Voice Wales, training	£126	Reimburse Cllr Howells for wildflower seeds	£115.55	Reimburse Llangennith Film Club for “Wilding” event	£406.79	Steve Kent & Co. Payroll	£170.10	Llangennith Dog Show grant	£400	
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11. (26/067)	Planning: New planning applications: 2026/0466/ELD: Bridge Pottery, Llanmadoc, Swansea, SA3 1BY. Use of 'Bwthyn Bach' and detached cabin 'Caban Yr Afon' as short term (C6) holiday lets used in association with Bridge Pottery (application for a Certificate of Lawfulness). No objections noted. Decisions received and noted from City and County of Swansea: 2025/2077/ELD: Woodlands Llanmadoc Swansea SA3 1BY. Installation of an ASHP and solar panels to the South roof (Application for a Certificate of Existing Lawful Development). Was not lawful.																	

12. (26/068)	Highways Issues, ongoing: • Road outside The Old Post Office in Llangennith is beginning to sink. This has been reported to Highways and Cllr Richard Lewis. • Visibility when turning from Kyfts Lane onto the North Gower Road by Kennexstone is poor - look at cutting the brambles in the hedge back. • The section of road in Lower Muzzard needs significant work and this has been reported to Highways and Cllr Richard Lewis. Repaired: • The hole in the road towards Cwm Ivy. • Water leak from BT cover in road near the entrance to The King's Head car park. • Pot holes on Cock Street, Llangennith.	JR
13. (26/069)	Footpaths: • Cllr Royall reported that part of footpath LG36 has been dug up and the steps removed. The Countryside Access Officer (CAO) has been made aware and he is contacting the relevant party to get the steps reinstated. Cllr Royal will meet with him on site. • Footpath LG22B needs clearing and the clerk will report it to the CAO.	
14. (26/070)	Defibrillators: All defibrillators are in working order except that outside Burry Green Chapel. A new battery is on order and should be fitted by the end of the week.	
15. (26/071)	Councillors' questions and suggested agenda items: • The Clerk fed back following the Town & Community Council Forum meeting outlining the changes to the T&CC Charter. • Cllr Howells will approach Rhossili CC regarding the Emergency Plan.	
16. (26/072)	Training: Cllr Vicky Dickeson fed back on the One Voice Wales biodiversity course. Cllr Woolley will feed back on the Wellbeing of Future Generations course once completed.	
17. (26/073)	Policies for update: • The Clerk and Cllr Royal will update the financial policy and councillor remuneration forms to share with councillors before the Annual Meeting of the Council. • It was resolved to trial the training feedback form. The CC will review the training policy and training matrix at the Annual Meeting of the Council. • The Annual and Chair's Report will be reviewed at the Annual Meeting of the Council. • The updated Data Policy will be reviewed at the next meeting. • A draft risk and financial risk policy will be presented at the next meeting.	
18. (26/074)	Forward Look: The clerk and Cllr Royall will start on the annual audit this month. Cllr Woolley will attend the Llanmadoc Open Gardens and Cllr Lewis will attend the Llanmadoc Village Hall AGM.	
19. (26/075)	Matters for publication: Fly tipping – Section 4 – Wildflower seeds – Highways – Grants – Burry Green – CC notice boards	
20. (26/076)	Chairperson's close: 9.36pm Next meeting: Wednesday 6th May 2026, 7.30pm in Llanmadoc Village Hall If anyone wishes to attend a monthly meeting via a Google Meet link, please contact the clerk.	