Felinfach Community Council

Minutes of Regular Meeting held at Llanfilo Old School on Wednesday 9 July 2025 at 6.30pm

Present: Cllr Shepstone, Cllr Brown, Cllr Jones, Cllr Carrotte, Cllr Williams, Cllr Price, Cllr Owens, Cllr Morgan, D.Rowlands(Clerk)

Apologies – None

Absent – Cllr Pryce

**Declaration of interest** – None

Minutes of last meeting - MINUTES of the last Regular Meeting & Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 14th May 2025 were signed as a true account.

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Actions

3.1 - Renewal of insurance policy for 2025-2026 from Zurich. – Clerk informed Council that the Defibrillator and Cabinet located in Llanfilo are now included in the assets insured by Zurich Insurance at no extra cost.

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2. Planning.

2.1 - Application 25/0770/FUL Golwg-y-Mynydd holiday let – Response sent to Planning Department – Cllr Morgan (Chair of Planning Sub-Committee) updated the Council regarding the response submitted to the Planning Department, indicating that several points require additional information.

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2.2 - Update on Planning Application 21/1494/FUL – Clerk to request updates from Highways, Enforcement Officer, and Biodiversity Officer, and confirm compliance with planning policy.

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2.3 -Application 25/0796/FUL - change of use of building and land to use as storage, Pont-y-Bat Farm, Llandefalle. – There were no principal objections to this application; however, it was noted that the concealed entrance could potentially present an issue.

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Application 23/1786/FUL – Refusal of One Planet Development. Full Council were updated on the grounds that Powys County Council Planning Dept. refused permission on this development. \_\_\_\_

Golwg-y-Mynydd - The Camping and Caravanning Club has notified nearby households that Golwy-y-Mynydd has applied to set up a small campsite. Clerk will respond to the Camping & Caravanning Club.

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3.0 - Correspondence

3.1 - Felinfach Play Park – Breach of rules regarding dogs. - Clerk informed Council of a verbal altercation that occurred in Felinfach Play Park on 3rd June 2025, in response the Clerk has erected two new signs indicating that dogs are not permitted under any circumstances in the Children’s Play Park. Clerk will also create a notice to be printed in the Parish Tap and post on the website. Cllr Shepstone will advise Police of the incident. \_\_\_\_

3.2 – Hedges & Potholes in the ward – The Clerk and Cllr Price reported issues on Brechfa Road due to non-trimming of hedges. The Clerk is awaiting a response from Allun Jones (PCC) about the impact and legality of trimming hedges at this time of year by a private contractor.

Cllr Brown raised the issue of the bollards at the top of Llanfilo Pitch, Clerk will reiterate to Highways Dept.

Pot Holes – Work orders have been created by PCC for all reported pot holes, all of which are within date response/ reaction times.

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3.3 - Biodiversity – Setting S6 Plan for 2025-2026 – update from Mr. Chair

& any new ideas – This item is postponed until next meeting. \_\_\_\_

3.4 - Community Conversations: Shaping the Future of Powys Communities - Motion was moved to Chairmans business by request of the Chairman. \_\_\_\_

4 - Reports – None \_\_\_

5 - County Councillor Report. – None , Apologies given from County Councillor Colbert.

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6 - Finance

6.1 - Current Account

Statement Dated : 30 May 2025, Period Covered 02 May – 30 May 2025

Previous Balance 8233.76

Withdrawn 966.52

Income 485.00

New Balance 7752.24

Payments made Matthew Phillips 40.00

 Amazon 29.99

 Zurich Insurance 441.53 Llandefalle Hall 330.00

 Z. Mathias 125.00

Income: Interment ( May Davies) 355.00

 Cremation Tablet 130.00

Statement Dated: 01 June 2025, Period covered 31 May – 01 July 2025

Previous Balance 7752.24

Withdrawn 338.99

Income 0.00

New Balance 7413.25

Payments made WH Smiths ( stationery) 5.49

 The Works ( stationery) 3.50

 Maes-y-Bellan Chapel 330.00

Income: None

Outstanding Income: Interment ( Mrs J Hosie) 355.00

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Reserve Account

Statement Date: 02 May – 30 May 2025

Previous Balance 195.41

Interest 0.18

New Balance 195.59

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Statement Date: 31 May – 01 July 2025

Previous Balance 195.59

Interest 0.18

New Balance 195.77

6.2 - Balance transferable to Reserve Account, with adequate funds remaining for expenditure - The Clerk presented figures for the Council to decide on a reserve account transfer. Cllr Williams proposed transferring £2,500, seconded by Cllr Carrotte. The Clerk will complete the transfer via internet banking.

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6.3 - Financial regulations to be confirmed as fit for purpose – This item will be addressed in next month’s meeting. \_\_\_\_

Point of Interest

Rubbish left in Kiosk Brynhaul & Felinfach. Clerk advised Council of rubbish tipped in Brynhaul Kiosk, Site will be monitored.

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Freedom of information request on drain inspection in Felinfach from Sue Loveday. – Clerk shared the findings with Council, Clerk to chase results of the Land Drainage report that carried out earlier this year by Powys County Council.

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Standards Community Sub-Committee – Code of Conduct Training – Councillor Shepstone will review the letter and provide recommendations to Council regarding its inclusion.

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Chairman’s Business

Cllr Shepstone raised concerns about unanswered emails. The Chair proposed dividing responsibility for major email sources among councillors, who will then report key points to the Council. Two councillors volunteered: Cllr Williams will handle Powys County Council emails, Cllr Carrotte will manage One Voice Wales, and the Chair will take PAVO. The Clerk will continue forwarding emails to all councillors and send priority messages to relevant volunteers.

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Date of next meeting – Wednesday 13th August 6.30pm, venue to be confirmed as it is to be believed that Llandefalle Hall is used for Yoga on a Wednesday evening, Hall Chairperson to confirm this is the case, if so, Maes-y-Bellan Chapel will be the preferred venue. \_\_\_\_

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