

April 2025

**Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Gilfach Goch Community Council held on Wednesday 9 April 2025 at the Community Council Office.**

***Cofnodion cyfarfod misol. Cynhelir 9 Ebrill 2025.***

**PRESENT**

COUNCILLORS: L. PRICE. J. ABBOTT A. DRAPER J. REES.  
A. WARREN R.PRICE

**IN ATTENDANCE**

THE CLERK DAWN WALTERS

**144. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

144.1 No apologies were received.

**145. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

145.1 No declarations were received.

**146. PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS TO THE COUNCIL – TO RECEIVE ANY REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR**

146.1 No representations were received.

**147. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

147.1 The minutes of the finance sub committee meeting and previous monthly meeting were then agreed as a true record.

**148. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

148.1 Minute 137.1 It was RESOLVED: that two wildlife boards would be ordered.

148.2 Minute 137.2 Published on website.

148.3 Minute 138.3 There are two compost heaps at the allotment.

148.4 Minute 141.2 The fireworks display signage has been removed.

#### **149. ALLOTMENT UPDATE**

149.1 There is a new plot holder

#### **150. WHITE HUT**

150.1 The clerk gave an update on all completed works.

150.2 3 Upvc windows double glazed. Two quotations were received from B. Walters £2800 and A.L.S Building Services £3150. It was RESOLVED: that the work be given to B.Walters as it was the lowest price.

150.3 Jetwash facias and gutters and repaint B.Walters quotation £500 approved.

150.4 4 internal doors supply and fit including furniture and decoration B. Walters £800 approved.

150.5 Paint 12 radiators B.Walters £120 approved.

150.6 Office extension / Storage area B.Walters £1000 approved.

150.7 Office furniture/ equipment Bridgend Office Furniture £3520.50 approved. All items below £1000 but company didn't find it practical to accept individual orders for each item. BOF are a good reputable company who are local and provide value for money.

150.8 Notice board repositioning. Quotation received from S Jones £993.56 approved.

150.9 The boiler was last serviced in May 2024 by Lorne Stewart.

150.10 BT will install the telephone line and broadband on Monday 19 May. The clerk reported that Virgin do not offer business packages in the area.

150.11 Osborne Estates have given an estimated value of £20000 should the existing council office be put up for sale. Alternatives were discussed and will be considered in future meetings.

150.12 Signage on the building was discussed. It was RESOLVED: that a formal sign will be in place with a new logo. A mural was also discussed and will be considered in future meetings.

150.13 An official opening of the new premises will take place on Monday 26 May. The clerk will arrange a community event.

## **151. CORRESPONDENCE**

151.1 A planning application was read and noted for the following

151.1a Land at Hendreforgan CF39 8YL hybrid planning for residential development seeking full permission for a new access and road and drainage infrastructure and outline permission for 5 self build plots. The clerk reported that there has been opposition towards this by the residents of Ffordd Llanbad.

151.1b 4 Holly Street CF39 8UB single storey extension.

151.2 Borough Councillor Roberts has secured £1000 funding from Grantscape for keep fit classes at the GGCA and Day Centre. The payment will be managed by the community council.

151.3 SSE contract has been renewed for 1 year.

151.4 Councillor Draper spoke about the Chloe Gourmet Gatherings Forage. It was RESOLVED: that he make further enquiries regarding numbers.

151.5 A request for financial help towards a street party for the VE Day celebrations was read. It was RESOLVED: that no funding would be available from the community council. Councillor Draper said that RCT have funding for this.

## **152. REPORTS / COMPLAINTS**

152.1 The clerk reported on the bus shelter panels on top of Tonyrefail Hill that were vandalised. Huw has removed the graffiti, but it looks unsightly. It was RESOLVED: that the panels would not be replaced.

152.2 Councillor Draper gave an update on The Community Energy Wales group and the grants that were available.

**153. FINANCIAL REPORT**

153.1	Bank balance as of 31.03.25	£134041.81
153.1a	B&Q Allotment	£42.30
153.1b	B&Q Allotment	£59
153.1c	S Williams SPF	£2400
153.1d	EFS SPF	£2469.22
153.1e	Edmunds SPF	£2200
153.1f	B Walters X 5 SPF	£4870
153.1g	C Rhondda Skips Skip Hire	£310
153.1h	B Walters External Works	£500
153.1i	Plumb-Line SPF	£3000
153.1j	RCT Skateboard Park	£20000
153.1k	Sweets & Treats Sweet Cones	£12
153.1l	C Rhondda Skips Skip Hire	£310
153.1m	Tesco Easter Eggs	£312.50
153.1n	Evengreener Allotment water butts	£651.98
153.1o	Travis Perkins Allotment	£336.85
153.1p	B Walters Internal doors	£800
153.1q	BOF Office Furniture	£4225.80

153.2 Bank transactions for March

	<b><u>March Expenditure</u></b>
Dawn Walters	£1324.80
Huw Jones	£439.32
Russell Scully	£1192
Zoom	£15.59
HMRC	£702.62
BT	£50.22
B&Q	£42.30
B&Q	£59
B Walters	£4870
S Williams	£2400
EFS Systems	£2469.22
Edmunds Carpets	£2200
Cwm Rhondda Skip Hire	£310
B Walters	£500
Plumb-Line	£3000
RCT	£20000
Sumup	£12
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**March Income**

Allotment & Garage Fees	£110
SPF Grant re White Hut	£14224.22

153.3 Money already earmarked

New Play Area & Skateboard Park	£40000
Bus Shelters	£1259
Events	£3140
Windfarm	£0
S137 Grants	£0
Allotment	£1804
Office Refurbishment	£52044
Training & Remuneration Payments	£960
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£99207</b>

Commitments

Salaries (including oncosts)	£0
Unpresented Cheques	£0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£0</b>

Income not yet received

Windfarm	£0
Precept	£0
Allotment & Ground Rent	£0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£0</b>

153.4 Bank Reconciliation

Balance @ 31.03.2025	£134041.81
Earmarked + Commitments	£-99207
Income not yet received	£+0
<b>BAL:</b>	<b>£34834.81</b>

153.5 The final figures for budget 2024/25 were agreed

153.6 The 2025/26 budget was approved.

153.7 It was RESOLVED: that the clerk contact Mr Jason Morgan to carry out the internal audit.

**154. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

154.1 The meeting was then brought to a close and the date set for the next meeting which will be the AGM followed by the monthly meeting which will take place on Wednesday 14 May 6.30pm at the Council Office.