



CROESYCEILIOG AND LLANYRAFON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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Caring for the Community

****Report of the Full Council Meeting held on**
Monday 24th February at 6.00pm
Council Chamber, Woodland Road Sports & Social Centre, Croesyceiliog

Present: Cllr S Matthews (Chair) Cllr V Williams
Cllr D Dewar Cllr N Davies
Cllr V Crick Cllr C Crick
Cllr M Price Cllr J Boycott
Cllr S O'Dobhain

Sian Davies, Clerk
Kelly Lewis, Administrator
CSO James Llewellyn

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr D Williams, Cllr D Payton, Cllr L Boycott

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr M Price – Hwb, Community Garden
Cllr J Boycott – Community Garden

3. Minutes

3.1 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 27th January 2025 were approved as an accurate record
RESOLVED: Members approved.

3.2 **Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 27th January 2025.**
No matters arising

3.3 To receive draft minutes of Business Planning Committee of 12th February 2024

Members noted.

Members suggested the administrator chase up the street poppies contractor to request they are returned

4. Financial Reports and Statements

4.1 Bank Statements

Bank Statement and Visa Card Statements.

RESOLVED: Members noted the statements

4.2 Cheque and Direct Debits Payments List

Cheque and direct debits payments list was received & approved.

RESOLVED: Members approved the payments.

4.3 To receive the monthly Financial Report up to 24.02.2025

The clerk advised members the updated 'larger grants' form will be shared, and it was suggested the form is sent to organisations soon to allow them to become familiar with the form and requirements. Members agreed the return date will be end of August to allow time to apply, with grants to be awarded as normal at the grants evening. It was also agreed that any grant requests of £1000 and over are required to complete an application form, anything less to be agreed as core funding.

RESOLVED: Members noted.

5. Presentations & Representations

5.1 CSO James Llewellyn (Llanyrafon)– Gwent Police

Members were advised that a Llanyrafon Police Surgery would be held in Llanyrafon Methodist Church on 25th February, and monthly thereafter. Members suggested that locations were alternated monthly as some residents may have difficulties attending due to mobility, and that alternating with another venue may benefit residents across Llanyrafon. Members queried a police surgery for Croesyceiliog and was advised that Croesyceiliog's CSO Alex Rouf would be attending March FC meeting and to suggest setting up a Croesyceiliog ward surgery. CSO James Llewellyn also advised members that the speed gun is available to be used in locations across Croesyceiliog and Llanyrafon to target speeding, members suggested areas including The Highway, and that any further suggestions could be shared via email. Further discussions related to suggesting residents to ensure work vans are secured to avoid opportunistic theft, and members sought advice regarding parking legalities to ensure any advice shared with residents relating to parking, such as outside The Post Room, is beneficial. Members were advised to liaise with Cllr J Gauden and Cllr R Clark who can clarify parking advice with parking enforcement officers.

The following Croesyceiliog and Llanyrafon ward police reports were also shared with members:

January

Call Volume:

Public safety & welfare	10
Transport related	12
Crime related	2
Administration & information	8
Anti-social behaviour	1
Open log	2

Crime Volume:

Crime Categories	No of Crimes
Violence without injury	5
Criminal damage & arson	0
All other theft	1
Public order offences	1
Residential burglary	1
Commercial burglary	0
Other sexual offences	2
Possession of weapons	0

February (to date)

Call Volume:

Public safety & welfare	3
Transport related	4
Crime related	1
Administration & information	5
Anti-social behaviour	0
Open log	0

Crime Volume:

Crime Categories	No of Crimes
Violence without injury	6
Criminal damage & arson	0

All other theft	1
Public order offences	0
Residential burglary	0
Commercial burglary	0
Other sexual offences	0
Possession of weapons	0

6. Chair's Announcements

The Chair attended the following:

- Meeting with the vice chairman of Bron Afon
- Met with Mark Bruchsal, Bron Afon, and advised members that over 30 trees have been recently planted and that Bron Afon are keen to continue working together
- Attended 2 of 3 canal meetings, members were advised ideas are being shared and they are looking into available funding

7. To receive the Clerk & Administrator Reports

7.1 Members were advised that in addition to the shared report, the Clerk attended a meeting with the Chair and Mark Bruchsal, Bron Afon, regarding tree planting
Members noted.

8. Planning Applications considered in advance of this meeting of Council:

Planning applications detailed on the agenda were noted.

9. Members Reports – Meetings of Outside Bodies

- Cllr N Davies – advised members that CCYP are holding an open day on Wednesday for children, young people and their families, and that 2 additional open days will be held the following week for local organisations and stakeholders and that everyone is welcome to attend
- Cllr V Crick – shared a report to members prior to the meeting regarding Crownbridge Estyn Report who's visit coincided with the school's inclusive pantomime and were delighted with the inspection. Members were advised that the school has opened a café Monday to Friday 11am-2pm which provides work experience for children at the school and will be opening up for children within the community who have an interest in cooking. Members agreed to send a letter of congratulations to the school following their Estyn report.
- Cllr C Crick – advised members that Torfaen Museum Trust have submitted a new application to TCBC to support their new outreach services which will be a tremendous way forward. They are hoping funding will be increased as there is a significant increase in the SLA, and that the museum will also approach CLCC and CCC to request financial support for a project proposal.
- Members suggested the Clerk contact TCBC regarding committee meetings relating to Greenmeadow Community Farm as works are progressing and will be opening later this year.

10. Items for Consideration

10.1 Joint projects with Cwmbran CC update

No update since BP meeting

10.2 Sight Cymru – 'Widening Vision' initiative

Members agreed to discuss at BP

11. Any Other Business

- Ward Fun Day – a letter requesting financial support to provide an ice cream van for the fun day was received from Cllr's J Gauden, R Clark and D Williams. Members approved.

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