



CROESYCEILIOG AND LLANYRAFON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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Caring for the Community

****Report of the Full Council Meeting held on**
Monday 23rd February 2026 at 6.00pm
Council Chamber, Woodland Road Sports & Social Centre, Croesyceiliog

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

Sian Davies, Clerk
Kelly Lewis, Administrator
PCSO Alex Rouf, Croesyceiliog Ward, Gwent Police

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr V Williams, Cllr L Boycott

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr J Boycott – The Community Garden

Cllr M Price – The Community Garden, Hwb

Cllr N Davies – Agenda item 10.2

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 26th January 2026

3.1 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 26th January 2026 were approved as an accurate record

RESOLVED: Members approved.

Proposed by Cllr S Matthews, seconded by Cllr J Boycott: **agreed** unanimously

3.2 **Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 26th January 2026.**

No matters arising.

3.3 **To receive draft minutes of Business Planning Committee of 11th February 2026**

Members noted

4. Financial Reports and Statements

4.1 Bank Statements

Bank Statement and Visa Card Statements.

RESOLVED: Members noted the statements.

Approved by Cllr N Davies, seconded by Cllr J Boycott: **agreed** unanimously

4.2 Cheque and Direct Debits Payments List

Cheque and direct debits payments list was received & approved.

RESOLVED: Members noted

Approved by Cllr N Davies, seconded by Cllr J Boycott: **agreed** unanimously

4.3 To receive the monthly Financial Report for February 2026

RESOLVED: Members noted.

Agreed unanimously

5. Presentations & Representations

5.1 Gwent Police – PCSO Alex Rouf

Members were pleased to hear that calls and crimes reported over the last month had been lower

than usual. Members were advised that PCSO Rouf had recently attended The Highway to observe traffic, which will continue to be monitored over coming weeks, with the accompaniment of a speed traffic gun when available due to only 2 being available to use by the force within the Torfaen area. Members raised questions and concerns raised by residents, including parking concerns, and requested the police liaise with the Bron Afon ward manager and provide council with an update on their aims to tackle the concerns highlighted.

It was agreed there was not a large community presence at the recent Croesyceiliog police surgery, but timings of future surgeries were clarified to be updated and shared on council's website.

6. Members thanked PCSO Rouf for his attendance at the meeting and look forward to future updates.

Chair's Announcements

7. Cllr J Boycott attended the Croesyceiliog Police surgery with Cllr C Crick

To receive the Clerk & Administrator Reports

Members noted.

In addition, members were notified that the Clerk has continued to liaise with National Grid regarding disconnection of the electrical supply on the telephone box, and the unique code from BT has now been obtained and is therefore hoping to receive the quote for removal from National Grid the following day. Once agreed, a disconnection date can be arranged and communicated to the contractor who will be on site simultaneously to proceed with dismantling of the phone box panels. Members were also pleased to note there was an email trail with National Grid and BT to evidence the unexpected time delays and costs.

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

Members noted.

9. **Member Reports – Meetings of Outside Bodies**

9.1 None

10. **Items for Consideration**

- 10.1 **Torfaen Museum Annual Grant**

Members agreed that the recent presentation received from Torfaen Museum Trust was informative and outlined the community projects the museum is continuing to offer. Members agreed to award a grant amount of £1000.

RESOLVED: Members approved.

Proposed by Cllr S Matthews, seconded by Cllr J Boycott: **agreed** unanimously

**** Cllr N Davies left the room ****

- 10.2 **Community Council procedures for appointments to TCBC boards**

Members agreed that in line with the procedure their decision is as follows: 1st Cllr N Davies, 2nd Cllr Valerie Waters, 3rd Cllr Jennifer Davies, 4th Cllr Leanne Lloyd Tolman.

Members reiterated to include within their submission that once decided, regular reports are circulated to ensure regular attendance of appointees

RESOLVED: Members approved.

Proposed by Cllr J Boycott, seconded by Cllr D Williams: **agreed** unanimously

**** Cllr N Davies returned to the room ****

**** Cllr D Williams left the meeting at 6.40pm ****

- 10.3 **Torfaen Playscheme grant additional questions approval**

Clerk to continue to collate questions and circulate to members. Members noted.

10.4 **Annual review of Council's statutory documents**

The Clerk requested Council to also review the statutory documents, Cllr C Crick volunteered
RESOLVED: Members agreed

10.5 **The Hwb request letter & SLA bi-annual report**

Members considered the request letter and bi-annual report, and Cllr M Price updated members on Hwb's request advising that Hwb have recently applied for a lottery grant to support the employment of staff to facilitate community projects and are seeking continuation of council's financial support as match funding. Members were advised that capital works are due to complete in approx. one month, allowing the building to reopen once completed. Members queried Hwb's fallback if unsuccessful with the bid, Cllr Price advised planned projects would be slower, but their main priority is to keep the centre open to the community, and that community projects would be dependent on funding to employ personnel with the required skill set to run the programmes of work.

**** Cllr M Price left the room ****

Members agreed that Hwb have been successful in improving and developing the centre which is evidently succeeding. It was concurred that since supporting Hwb, council have reviewed the process annually and that by supporting, it allows Hwb match funding opportunities from other sources, and supporting Hwb positively impacts the community. Concerns were raised regarding inflation costs but agreed that any additional community project aims could potentially be supported additionally through the community project grant applications.

RESOLVED: Members approved Hwb's request for continued support and agreed that the SLA is extended until a further review in early 2027.

Proposed by: Cllr C Crick, seconded by Cllr J Boycott: **agreed** unanimously

**** Cllr M Price returned to the room ****

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11.1 **Any Other Business**

Llanyrafon Community Golf Course

The Chair advised members that an email was received from Llanyrafon Community Golf Course just prior to the meeting regarding a request for support, it was agreed the Clerk will circulate the email to members and request suitable dates for a site meeting. Members will then be delegated to meet with at the golf course to obtain further information regarding their request for support

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| 12. | Date of Next Meetings Local Community Resilience Meeting – TBA commencing 5.30pm Business Planning Meeting – 11.03.2026 commencing 6pm Full Council Meeting – 23.03.2026 commencing at 6pm |
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There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was concluded at 7.10pm

Signed:..... (Chair) – 23.03.2026