

Minutes of the Meeting of Council

Held at Penclawdd Community Centre

On Thursday, 13th February 2025 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillor Paul Tucker (Chair) presided

Councillors: Russell Garrington, Sarah Hughes, James Matthews, Melissa Roberts, Mike Sheehan and Andrew Williams

Officers: Jeremy Parkhouse - Clerk to the Community Council

Also Present: PCSO Andrew Brown – South Wales Police

93. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Huw Davies, Leanne Davies and Adam Woolliscroft.

94. Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by Llanrhidian Higher Community Council, the following interests were declared: -

Councillors Paul Tucker, Andrew Williams and the Clerk declared personal interests in Minute No. 99c – Reports of the Clerk – Correspondence.

The Clerk declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Minute No.99a – Reports of the Clerk – Accounts for Payment and left the meeting during discussion of the item concerned.

95. Minutes

Resolved that the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 18th January 2025 be approved and signed as a correct record.

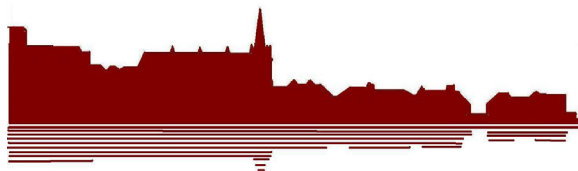
96. Chairs Announcements

The Chair made the following announcements:

- Rake and Riddle – The Chair expressed his disappointment at the recent closure of the Rake and Riddle, which had been a great asset to the community.

97. Public Question Time

None.



98. Community Reports

a) Police Report

PCSO Andrew Brown, South Wales Police provided the Community Council with a verbal report on the recent incidents that had occurred within the Penclawdd Ward. He stressed the continuous need to report suspicious incidents and crimes in order for the Police to be fully informed.

The Chair thanked the Officer for his report.

99. Reports of the Clerk

The Clerk reported the following:

a) Accounts for Payment

- The accounts for payment were provided at Appendix A of the report. The payments made in December 2024 were also provided.

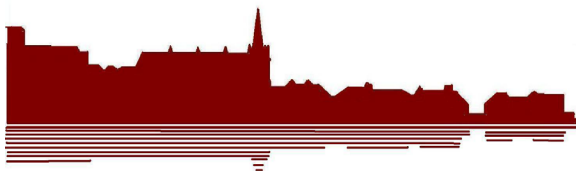
The following were also highlighted:

Quotations

- a) Finishing shower area at disabled toilet at Parc Dany Y Graig.
- b) Flooring at skateboard ramp.
- c) CCTV – Graig Y Coed Pavilion.
- d) Shutters at Graig Y Coed Pavilion.
- e) New Laptop for the Clerk.
- f) Clear Insurance – additional requirements at Graig Y Coed.
- g) Defibrillators at Memorial Gardens and Llanmorlais Hall.

Resolved that:

- 1) The payments / additional payments / amendments be approved.
- 2) The payments paid since 16th January 2025 meeting be noted and agreed.
- 3) The income / additional income be noted.
- 4) The bank reconciliation, bank transfers and bank account balances be noted and agreed.
- 5) The CCLA investment income be noted.
- 6) Quotation a - a site visit be arranged to view the shower area.
- 7) Quotation b – be a future project of the Council.
- 8) Quotation c – Quotation to be approved by Finance Committee on 18th February 2025.
- 9) Quotation d – an additional quotation be obtained.
- 10) Quotation e – A price range of between £500 and £600 be finalised by the Finance Committee on 18th February 2025.



- 11) Quotation f – the Clerk finalises matters once the containers are in place / CCTV installed.
- 12) Quotation g – The quote for defibrillators at the Memorial Gardens and Llanmorlais Hall, including new boxes and bleed kits was accepted.

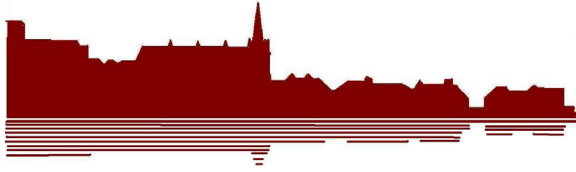
b) To Monitor the Council Budget 2024-2025 and to Note the Council Budget 2025-2026

The Clerk presented the up-to-date budget spend for 2024-25. The Council noted the budget overspend for 2024-2025 and the deficit that had been created due to the Penclawdd Playground grant funding and payment being in different financial years.

c) Correspondence

The correspondence reported by the Clerk was provided at Appendix C of the report. All correspondence was noted, and actions / comments were made in respect of the following:

	Details	Action / Comments
2.	Blue Anchor Ladies Bowls – Access request at Bowls Pavilion Car Park.	A site visit takes place / photographs be taken.
7.	One Voice Wales – Annual General Meeting – 11 th March 2025.	Councillor Huw Davies be asked to attend if he is available.
8.	Penclawdd RFC – Family / Community Fun Day.	Pitch availability be clarified by Jonathan Davis and more information be sought from Penclawdd RFC.
9.	J & B Furlong – School Transport Appeal Support Request.	Request noted – Councillor Dai Jenkins, Gowerton Ward Member was dealing with the issue.
Additional Correspondence		
12.	Tonner, Johns & Ratti – Update regarding various issues.	Clerk to negotiate with Swansea Council regarding the Old Quarry and to await further information from the Council's insurers regarding the Foreshore Car Park.
13.	Swansea Council – Local Development Plan (LDP)	The Clerk to circulate details to the Community Council.
14.	One Voice Wales – Survey on Local Area Committee's.	Clerk to complete.
15.	Cara Evans – Request to use Graig Y Coed.	Clerk to respond and turn down the request.
16.	Llanmorlais Hall – Action Challenge Event On 19 th and 20 th July 2025.	Request to use the car park approved. Clerk to respond.



Resolved that:

- 1) All correspondence be noted.
- 2) The actions outlined in the list of correspondence be completed.

d) Work Plan 2024/25

The Clerk reported the up-to-date Work Programme 2024-25 'for information'.

e) Community Council Action Tracker

The Community Council Action Tracker was provided 'for information'. All completed actions would be deleted.

100. Committee Reports

Finance Committee - Membership

Resolved that Councillor Russell Garrington be appointed onto the Finance Committee.

101. Council Property / Community Projects / Burial Grounds

The Clerk presented a report regarding Community Council property, community projects and burial grounds. The following were discussed:

- Penclawdd Primary School – Councillor Melissa Roberts highlighted the recent mental health event which had taken place at the school.
- Flagpole at Memorial Gardens – Clerk to obtain costs and Councillor Andrew Williams to establish if planning permission is required.
- Litter – Councillor Andrew Williams stated that all his litter picking equipment had been handed out to individuals within the community. He added that he would look for sponsorship to obtain additional equipment. The Finance Committee would discuss a donation at its next meeting. It was also proposed that Crofty Supermarket & Post Office store equipment for community use.
- BT Boxes – Councillor Melissa Roberts referred to painted boxes in Mumbles. The Clerk would look into the option and report to the next meeting.

102. Swansea Council Matters

a) Report of the Penclawdd Ward Member

Councillor Andrew Williams (AW) provided a written report regarding the issues he had been involved with during the previous month. The following were also discussed:

- Penclawdd Primary School – A question and answer session was held with the children. The main complaint was dog mess on pavements. Pupils were informed



about the new waste bins, which included censors. The school would run a competition to design a no litter poster which would be displayed at Penclawdd and Crofty Playgrounds.

- New Bench – had been ordered for the plinth next to the bridge opposite Crofty Playground.
- Footway – Llanmorlais to Wernffrwd – this would be cleared to allow structural improvements to take place.
- Cycle track – funding had been approved to improve the cycle track between Gower Timber and the Rake and Riddle.
- Graig Y Coed Project – 70/30 funding had been approved and details of tools required were awaited from Terry Snell.
- Drain Cover near to Rake and Riddle – It had been established that the drain was not in use and a temporary cover had been added, prior to a permanent cover in due course. This would get rid of the dip in the road.
- Cockle Women Sculpture – The possibility of having sculptures at either the Station Platform or Memorial Gardens was discussed. A sculpture was being undertaken in Gowerton, Councillor Andrew Williams would seek further details.
- End of Cockle Licensing in the Burry Inlet – The Chair expressed concern that the existing licensing would end, allowing a ‘free for all’.

b) Planning.

None.

c) Footpaths.

None.

103. Outside Bodies

None.

The meeting ended at 8.24 p.m.

Chair