



Gwernyfed Community Council
Minutes of Gwernyfed Community Council AGM
Held in person at Felindre Hall and online
Meeting Date & Time: 11th September 2025, 7.30pm

Cllr Nick Pritchard Cllr Mike Bugler Cllr Peter Varcoe Cllr Rachel Harding Cllr Will Lloyd Cllr Graham Day Cllr Kelly Doel Cllr Chris Jones Sue Thomas	Chair, Finance Sub-Committee Vice Chair, Finance Sub-Committee Personnel & Finance Sub-Committee Personnel Sub-Committee County Councillor Personnel & Finance Sub-Committee Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer	Present Present Apologies Present Present Present Apologies Present Present
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Item of Business		
1.	Declarations of Interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
2.	Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As Above 	
3.	Agree to the minutes of the last Council Meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10th July 2025 are proposed as a true and correct record of the proceedings. Proposed Cllr Bugler, Seconded Cllr Pritchard 	
	Matters Arising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barbara Anglezarke is available to speak at the GCC meeting of October 9th, 2025 Invitation to join PAVO – Complete Green Spaces – On Agenda item #8 Code of Conduct Training – On Agenda item #10 Each Cllr to provide content on at least 1 or 2 elements of the Council's Aims Structure for content, template, and 'How-To' guide - On Agenda item #13 Solar Speed Radar Sign - On Agenda item #14 Personnel sub-committee - On Agenda item #15 	Clerk
4.	Clerk to find the request for a pavement for Three Cocks that was sent to PCC	
5.	Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Countryside Volunteer Programme Funding Request from St. Peter's Church <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Bugler to talk to Anne Collins at St Peter's Church Hall about the actual accounts, which were not provided A £750 donation is proposed. Proposed Cllr Jones, Seconded Cllr Bugler Cross-Border Health Funding and Provisions in Powys One Voice Wales Conference and AGM – 1st October. £85/£95 per delegate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Day will go; Cllr Harding will update the Clerk. Cost is £85 per person. Proposed that GCC pay both fees. Proposed Cllr Bugler, Second Cllr Jones SLCC National Conference 2025 14/15th October, Hinkley, Lancs. £230 per delegate. Controlling Access to Council and Committee Meetings by members of the Public. Put in place a contingency for the possibility. To be added as a Risk to the Risk Register. Review our security protocols on the Microsoft domain AGM PTHB 19th September. OPCC Victim-Survivor Engagement Network has been renamed 	Cllr Bugler Clerk Noted Clerk Noted Clerk Noted Noted Noted

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joint OVW and SLCC Conference in November The Clerk will look for emails about the pavement at Glasbury Bus stop and follow up with PCC Highways Dept for progress. 	Clerk
6.	<p>Anti-Poverty Locality Fund Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllrs agreed that the providers to be approached are St John's Ambulance, Resource Wales Trust, Digital Skills Wales. There are 4 locations proposed, Three Cocks, Felindre, Llanigon, and Glasbury. The total cost is £4700. PCC will fund £2000 under the Anti-poverty Locality Fund via Cllr Lloyd. St Johns Ambulance have not responded yet, Cllr Harding will update the Clerk on a contact in Talgarth. Clerk to then forward the email Cllr Pritchard sent to St John's Digital Skills for Wales do not have the funding to provide training, but their trainer could be contacted independently. (NB PCC have funded training for Digital Skills, and Brecon Beacons College in Brecon also provide training and could be approached) Radnorshire Wildlife Trust can provide its training for free. Action: 6 sessions will be completed before the PCC funding deadline of 31/12/2025. Then if it goes well, it will be expanded for a further 6 sessions using GCC match funding. PCC requires detailed accounting and reporting which the Clerk will manage. These items will be back on the Agenda for 9th October 2025. Proposal to run these events and the costs. Proposed Cllr Jones, Seconded Cllr Bugler 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Pritchard Cllr Pritchard</p> <p>Clerk</p>
7.	<p>Planning Applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application Reference: 25/0919/LBC. Proposal: Repointing/repair works to stonework chimney and replacement of slated roof covering over Mill House Site Address: The Mill, Three Cocks, Brecon, Powys LD3 0SW <p>Planning Notice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reference 25/0714/HH Proposed 2 Story rear and side ext. with assoc. work 2 Porthamel Cottages, Talgarth. LD3 0DL – Approved Reference 25/0410/FU Great Keppel House Three Cocks Brecon Powys LD3 0SW. Refused. 	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
8.	<p>Green Spaces</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Bugler has written to Mr William Beddoes and the Chief Exec of PCC. GCC are waiting for Mr Beddoes to provide a lease agreement for consideration. When this is received, GCC can instruct solicitors. Ed Jenkins, PCC, is sending a letter of support in principle. Clerk to send a copy of GCC Public Liability Insurance to Ed Jenkins It is important to get the lease in place to pave the way for securing funding such as the National Lottery Heritage Fund. 	
9.	Representation at the Community and Town Council Regional Meetings	Noted
10.	<p>Education Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Pritchard is no longer a governor at either school in the area 	
11.	<p>County Councillor's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a speeding petition 'Make Crai Safer', Local Organisations can put petitions to PCC now. Chief Officer for Place acknowledged there was a need to reduce the speed in Crai and expressed a desire to work with the community. It has an application for GCC in that GCC could use this route to help progress the request to reduce the speed limit in Three Cocks. A need to reduce speed in Crai and expressed a need to work with communities. The B49 bus route is now up and running. Cllr Lloyd was one of the first on it last Thursday. The A49 bus runs 2 days a week between Talgarth and Brecon and travels through several of the local communities. In changing the tendering of bus routes one of the evening bus services was lost from either Hay or Three Cocks to Brecon. (T4 or X4). It has become a mishmash of suppliers taking over from Stagecoach. Ati-Poverty Locality Fund. Cllr Lloyd has put forward £2000 for GCC, £2000 to Hay Dial A Ride as a Hardship Fund to cover transport costs for anyone struggling with the costs of transport. Additionally, Cllr Lloyd has allocated £1000 to Love Glasbury for the upkeep of the toilets. 	Cllr Lloyd

12.	Training Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Code of Conduct Training subsidised by PCC is still valid The latest Training dates were too late to be put on the training Calendar for this meeting but will be added as an action. 	Clerk Clerk
13.	Website Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To further the development of the website GCC need to say what the aim of the website is. The Clerk is to prepare definitive questions for the Councillors to provide their perspective and ambitions for the website. The Clerk is meeting Nic Carter-Jones about the website on 3rd October and will provide a report and proposed next steps after that. Ideas include finding ways to signpost to the Parish Magazine, Useful sites on Facebook, and vice-versa and useful contacts. The aim is likely to provide content monthly, primarily from a rota of Councillors writing about activities that the Council is engaged in. Clerk to provide the template and guidance for these updates. We need headshots of all councillors on the website. The Clerk to liaise with Councillors to arrange this 	Clerk Clerk Clerk
14.	Solar Speed Sign <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hugo Barr at Elan City Solar Road Signs could not hold the promotional offer over to September; however, he has just been in touch to say that the offer will be reopened in October at the same saving, so he suggests contacting him again then. This will be on the Agenda for October. In preparation, the Clerk will ask Elan City if they do the work of securing planning permission from the County Council (PCC). As there is a need for these at Glasbury (The Harp) and Three Cocks, GCC wish to consider buying 4, perhaps with Glasbury CC. PCC have now said that following a conversation and email exchange with John Forsey, PCC, the Speed Limit Reduction at Three Cocks has been put forward as the first trial within PCC under the new guidance from Welsh Government. Cllr Pritchard will follow up with John Forsy during September. 	Clerk
15.	Personnel Sub-committee update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notes from the Clerk's Probationary Appraisal. Sue Thomas has now been confirmed in post following a successful probationary period. 	
16.	Full Audit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Audit Report has not yet been received from the Welsh Audit Office 	
17.	Forward Look <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on the Anti-Poverty Locality Funding and progress on the training to be provided Update on the Solar Signs, ideally with the discount back in place Website Update Review the Budget vs Actual Note that residents can be sign-posted to PCC Report It function on their website. Clerk's Report and Finance to be moved up the Agenda Expenses Policy and Claim Form 	
18.	Financial Matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank Balances as on 11/09/2025 – Current £21323.70, Reserve: £9,920.21(inc. £8.27 interest) Invoices to be paid Clerk Salary – September, Clerk Expenses to July 2025 - £51.30, Microsoft (Cllr Pritchard) £52.92, September, Vodafone DD £27.55 September. Charles Arnold Baker Book 14th edition – Local Council Administration Discounted £176 plus P+P £9. Expenses Policy Decision. Link to Draft Expenses Policy, Link to Draft Expense Claim Form Delayed to next meeting Finance Sub-Committee Meeting Date Proposed Cllr Bugler, Seconded Cllr Pritchard 	Clerk
19.	Early notice of apologies for absence by Cllr Day Close of Meeting – 9.50pm	

Next Meeting at 7.30 pm
at Felindre Village Hall and as a hybrid meeting over Teams