

<p>5. Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OVW Survey • Continuing Community Conversation – Cllr Pritchard went to the one in Talgarth. It covered housing, energy scheme, community champion, youth clubs. The breadth of area that the collected attendees cover is a challenge for the local area. There will be an emailing to prioritise actions from PAVO. PAVO has been asked for a PR Message to publish. • Talgarth and District Community Library Grant Funding Request #DE025 It is proposed that as Grant of £500 is given to TDCL Propose Cllr Varco, Seconded Cllr Jones ACTION Clerk to execute the grant and pass on GCC thanks to all the volunteers and ask if there is anything we can do to support them. • The Older People’s Commissioner for Wales is looking at how social care services in Wales could be improved and wants to hear from older people across Wales about their experiences of receiving care and support. This could be support to live independently at home, support while living in a care home, or community-based support such as day centres. ACTION: Raise awareness through GCC Facebook – Have Your Say). Share a link to the report when it is published • OVW RSPB Big Garden Watch ACTION: raise awareness on GCC Facebook • OVW AGM. The AGN is on 21 January 2026. OVW require a representative from each Council to attend. #DE026 Cllr Pritchard will attend. The clerk will attend if Cllr Pritchard is unable to Proposed Cllr Varcoe, Seconded Cllr Day • OFTEC are a trade organisation who certify installers of heating systems, They are taking part in a Future Fuel Ready Campaign to explore the role of alternative clean heating solutions. . They asked if GCC would allow the inclusion of a short article by them. #DE027 Proposed Cllr Pritchard, Seconded Cllr Jones • OVW Practice Development Notes on Copyright and Copyright infringement, and Participation in Webinars. • King Charles Garden Party at Buckingham Palace #DE028 A decision could not be reached as the proposed attendee, Cllr Day, was not able to join the meeting for this time. A dedicated email will be sent out and a vote taken by email. • OVW Events • Electoral Services at PCC have confirmed that no request has been made for an election to Councillor following the resignation of Cllr Harding. Therefore, GCC is authorised to pursue the co-option route. It is proposed to publish the vacancy on the website and Facebook #DE029 Proposed: Cllr Pritchard Seconded Cllr Varcoe • Electoral Services have provided the database of household on the electoral register ahead of the up-coming Council Elections. 		<p>Noted</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Noted</p>
<p>6. Communications and Publications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This will be a standing Item identifying who is preparing the current month and each future month’s article for publication. • Community Skills for Life Article. Councillors are requested to review this by end of day Friday 16 January 2025 so that it can be published • February Article - Gwernyfed Supports Community Transport by Cllr Varcoe. This has been received by the Clerk and is ready for Review for publication in February. The next article for publication in March will be written by Cllr Doel. • Website updates. The Clerk is engaging with the webmaster with questions via email and will update the members at the next meeting. 		

7.	<p>Finances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank Balances as at 14 January 2026: Current Account £25,046.70. inc. Precept Received: £7896.00. Reserve Account £9,953.68 inc. interest of £8.54 Payment to VISI Direct (Door Drop Marketing) £784.31 inc VAT (20% discount) Retrospective Decision #DE024 Proposed Cllr Day Seconded Cllr Jones Propose the following Invoices and Expenses to be paid – #DE023 Proposed Cllr Day Seconded Cllr Jones <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk's Salary inc. £128.52 backpay for April 2025 to January 2026 = £586.32, (the new monthly Salary for Feb and March 2026 will be £456.36, MSFT January (Cllr Pritchard) - £52.16, Vodafone January £27.55, Vodafone MiFi £23.00 (assuming we do not need to invoke the 'cooling off period') PAVO Payroll £36.00 First Aid Training Invoice £80.00 Retrospective Decision Request #DE030 Proposed Cllr Day Seconded Cllr Jones The Clerk is looking to simplify this Finance reporting by providing an output from the finance system, currently Excel, as a document to be noted as signed off Cashbook Circulated and approved #DE025 Proposed Cllr Day Seconded Cllr Jones It is proposed that £10,000 be moved from the Current Account to the Reserve Account Proposed Cllr Day Seconded Cllr Varcoe 	<p>Noted</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Resolved</p>
8.	<p>Review Draft Budget</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Finance Sub-committee have prepared the Draft Budget for 2026-27 as reviewed and approved at the last Council Meeting The Clerk has received the Tax Base Table and Precept Request form to be completed and sent to PCC by 31 January 2026. #DE032 The Clerk will submit the Precept request as per the Draft Budget Proposed Cllr Day Seconded Cllr Varcoe 	<p>Resolved Clerk</p>
9.	<p>Grit Bins – As Cllr Lloyd was detained and did not attend the meeting until after this item came up for discussion, it will be held over until the next Council Meeting</p>	<p>Noted</p>
10.	<p>Community Skills for Life (CSL)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Final Report to account for the funds received from PCC has been sent to PCC has been sent in Clerk update – Door Drop Marketing have been contracted to provide the leaflet drop commencing 26 January 2026 with a completion date of 2 February 2026 Cllr Pritchard update on the next Training dates – Venues have been secured, marketing in place, trainers are in place so Cllr Pritchard is hopeful that there will be a smooth start to this second run of CSL sessions It is proposed that flyers about the community bus service and Hay Dial a Ride be included in the Door Drop Marketing for the CSL. The Clerk is authorised to negotiate this with the supplier at a cost of no more than £300. #DE037 Proposed Cllr Varcoe Seconded Cllr Jones 	<p>Resolved</p>
11.	<p>Planning Application</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 25/1529/HH Demolition of side-porch, part-retrospective application for repairs and all associated works. Treble Hill, Glasbury, HR3 5NT BBNPPA Refused this application 31/12/25 	
12.	<p>Green Spaces.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Bugler has not heard from either of the solicitors – ACTION Clerk to chase Community of Three Cocks will be doing a volunteering session across the community on the 3rd Sunday of every month. This month they will be planting 300 trees on Sunday 18th, donated by Resource Wales. They will meet at The Old Railway 9.30 work commences at 10.00 for 2 hours 	<p>Clerk</p>
13.	<p>County Councillors Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Lloyd Tracked down Jo Lancy (PCC Transport Officer) who needs to see where the proposed Radar Signs are to be sited. About the Gwernfyed Supports Community Transport, Cllr Varcoe asked if there was a scheduled review of the new B49 Thursday Service planned. ACTION: Cllr Lloyd to find out if there is to be a review Cllr Lloyd described how part of his Anti-Poverty funding went towards the Hay Dial A Ride Hardship Fund, supporting those who could not meet the charges to use the service. Cllr Lloyd 	<p>Noted</p> <p>Cllr Lloyd</p> <p>Cllr Lloyd</p>

	to provide information on this to add to the Website and Facebook ACTION: Cllr Lloyd to provide information on Hay Dial Ride and the Hardship Fund to the Clerk for inclusion. ACTION: Clerk to work with VISI Direct to get the leaflets sent with the CSL	Clerk
14. Training Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Measuring and Managing Social Value – 3rd & 5th Feb 2026 9.30 – 1pm Book here £80 #DE038 – Approved if anyone wishes to attend Proposed Cllr Day Seconded Cllr Pritchard Introduction to AI – 11th February 2026 10.00am – 12 noon Book here £40 #DE035 It is proposed that the Clerk and anyone interested in this can attend and it will be paid for by the Council Proposed Cllr Pritchard, Seconded Cllr Day AI in Councils: Governance, Compliance & Responsible Use (Public Sector Executive with Copyright Licensing Agency – Free Webinar 16 February 2026 2pm to 3pm Online Free to Attend or watch on demand Book here It is proposed that the Clerk can book 1 hour of time to do this course free but book 1 hour #DE036 Proposed Cllr Pritchard, Seconded Cllr Day An updated list of Training dates has been provided. The Clerk will provide this list every month. Councillors can call the Clerk, email a request to attend any training. The Clerk will identify and email Councillors of relevant training dates that they have expressed an interest in. Councillor Information Training sessions with the Clerk. Subjects could include, IT, Device and Cyber Security, Information Management on the GCC File System, Using Teams. Suggest booking 2 to 3 hours morning or evening at Felindre Village Hall. Some sessions could be group sessions, some could be booked as one-to-one sessions. A decision is required on payment for these sessions above the standard 28 hours. Proposed Cllr Day Seconded Cllr Jones These sessions will be recorded as training sessions in the published training plan. #DE034 Decision Request for Clerk to do 4 PAVO sessions – the cost is £42 per session total £168 – Proposed Cllr Jones, Seconded Cllr Lloyd #DE033 	Noted Resolved Resolved Clerk Resolved Resolved
15. Forward Look	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set up Quarterly Update on Brecon and Radnor regional meeting Policy update – set aside a specific meeting to review and agree all policies - Clerk set aside time to update the policies and prepare a review Schedule. Mergers with other councils – Cllr Pritchard explained that this is being considered as clustering, not merging, keeping the Wards as they are, but clustering with others for efficiency. The Boundary Review, it has not confirmed but possibly postponed until 2027 Add a quarterly update from the Brecon and Radnor regional meeting Discuss Assets – laptop, Printer, Projector Camera and Screen, secure cabinet. 	Noted
16.	Close of Meeting 21.43	

Signed on behalf of Gwernyfed Community Council

Signature:		Chair of Gwernyfed Community Council	
Name:	Cllr Nick Pritchard	Date:	15 January 2026

**Next Meeting 12 February at 7.30 pm
at Felindre Village Hall and as a hybrid meeting over Teams**