



Gwernyfed Community Council
Minutes of Gwernyfed Community Council
Held in in person at St. Peter's Church Hall, Glasbury and online.
Meeting Date & Time: 9th July 2026, 7.30pm

Cllr Nick Pritchard	Chair, Finance and Personnel Sub-Committee,	Present
Cllr Graham Day	Vice Chair, Personnel Sub-Committee	Present
Cllr Mike Bugler	Finance Sub-Committee	Present
Cllr Will Lloyd	Finance Sub-Committee	Absent
Cllr Chris Jones	Personnel Sub-Committee	Present
Also, in Attendance		
Sue Thomas	Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer	Present

Item of Business	
26-27-00062	Apologies for Absence – Cllr Lloyd, proposal to accept the apology. Proposed Cllr Jones, Seconded Cllr Day #DE068 Resolved
26-27-00063	Declarations of Interest - None
26-27-00064	The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 11th June 2026 are proposed as a true and correct record of the proceedings. Proposed Cllr Day, Seconded Cllr Bugler #DE082 Resolved
26-27-00065	Matters Arising AC0151 Small Claims Court process against VISI Direct – In Progress AC0150 Cwmpas Gifted Laptops: Jan Shivel (Talgarth Library) rang the Clerk to discuss these late June when a meeting of The Talgarth Regeneration Group was due to take place. She was going to ring me back but no response yet ACTION Addendum Clerk to speak to the committee again and set out what support we can offer. AC0177 – All councillors to provide their preferred courses to the Clerk by 27th June 2026 – No Councillor has contacted the Clerk - Pending AC0146 – Councillor Recruitment. Flyers are being prepared and quotes have been received for posting these. – In Progress ACTION AC0172: Clerk to confirm the number of households - Complete AC0169 Councillors are asked to review the prepared paper on encouraging councillor recruitment, and by 8th June – Complete AC0173 Cllr Pritchard has asked the Clerk to provide feedback on the session. Webinar is on 14th July 2026 AI Governance – In Progress AC0131 Biodiversity Pack Application has been sent. Complete ACTION AC0178 - The Chair asked that all councillors review the Annual Report and provide comments via the Clerk by 3rd July 2026 – No Responses ACTION - Clerk to provide update on the Finance Section. Dekion request DE086 that the Annual Report is approved pending this final change and proof-reading, Proposed Cllr Jones, Seconded Cllr Bugler Resolved ACTION AC0175– Cllr Pritchard to provide the Clerk with the email for the committee for Felindre Hall – Complete ACTION AC0176 – Clerk to contact Anne Collins at St Peter's Church Hall for the meeting on 9th July 2026 - Complete

26-27-00066	Clerk's Report Finances •Invoices Paid •All Invoices approved on 11 June 2026 have been paid Bank Balances – Current: £8,345.56 Reserve: £20,035.91 (inc. interest £14.92) Invoices for Payment •Cllr Pritchard MSFT £52.16 •Clerk's Salary •Clerk's Expenses GCC- Exp26-27-002 £70.30 • OVW Conference Invoice 010726/1503 £99.00 •Decision Request approve invoices to be paid #DE083 excluding PCC Invoice Proposed Cllr Jones, Seconded Cllr Bugler Resolved Cashbook •Decision Request Approving the Cashbook #DE084 Proposed Cllr Jones, Seconded Cllr Pritchard Resolved •Decision Request to purchase Otter.AI Pro for the Clerk at a cost of £99 per year. #DE085 Proposed Cllr Bugler, Seconded Cllr Jones Resolved ACTION Move £450 Invoice from New Millenium under training in Cash Book ACTION - Clerk to see if the bill from New Millenium is broken down in any way to post the costs correctly ACTION PCC Quote for SIDs Quote £5,295.75 – Move to next Agenda ACTION Finance Report Table add in Tangible Assets ACTION Budget vs Actual Table, Add in central costs as well, put these tables onto landscape orientation
26-27-00067	Correspondence (Requiring discussion or decisions) Cllr Jake Berriman, Leader of Powys CC, has written to all Community, Town and Parish Councils stating that the current in-person meetings have not proved useful and will be stood down. Views from these Councils will still be sought on a range of topics and issues. The Leader is looking to strengthen the role of the 68 County Councillors in advocating for their communities. PCC is also reaching out to One Voice Wales to explore how they can work more closely together to strengthen their dialogue with Town and Community Councils, and he asks that Community Councils engage positively wherever possible. GCC Members expressed disappointment in the way that PCC tackles their decision-making capability and their communication to Community councils, and it is felt that PCC are not engaging with GCC in particular. ACTION - Cllr Pritchard to request a meeting with Cllr Berriman. ACTION - Clerk to request an informal meeting for GCC councillors with the Chief Exec of PCC Emma Palmer Felindre Toad Patrol - We have received an email from Miriam Wearing, Assistant Ecologist, Just Mammals Limited, requesting a small amount of space in Felindre Village Hall to store a small stack of buckets and two folding Road Signs. The Clerk has told her that it is the Village Hall Committee who would give permission, but that the Council may be prepared to ask them on her behalf. ACTION - Clerk to ask Felindre Village Hall Committee OPCC – The Future is Youth Survey and Youth Ambassadors. We have been asked to try and get youngsters between the ages of 14 and 25 to complete this survey. Recommend posting this flyer in as many retail, hospitality and other high footfall outlets. ACTION - Clerk to invite OPCC and a Youth Ambassador to discuss how to engage the younger elements of the community. Penyrheol Chapel Grant Request. The Penyrheol Chapel Committee have responded that the money that generates an income to the Chapel comes from an account over which they have no fiscal control. The committee thanks GCC for their support over the years. ACTION Clerk to ask the committee if this invested account is held in the name of the Chapel or is managed by someone else.

	National Association of Local Councils Events – several online webinars were brought to the attention of the members including the Star Council Awards. There is a cost involved in attending any online or in-person events which is based on whether the council is a member of nalc. Additionally, to be eligible to enter the Star Council Awards GCC would need to be a member. ACTION Clerk to prepare a cost benefit analysis and Lite Business Case around this topic.
26-27-00068	Planning Applications and Notices Application Reference: P/26/0412/LBC Proposal: Partial regularisation of works to roof and chimney. Internal and external works to include demolition of porch and replacement windows Location: TREBLE HILL, GLASBURY, HEREFORD, HR3 5NT Allocated Officer: Elinor Price Final Date for Comments: 23rd July 2026 Councillors to comment before 23rd July 2026 to the Clerk to collate
26-27-00069	Chair's Report Regional Meeting of the Brecknockshire and Radnorshire Regional Committee of One Voice Wales was held on 1st July 2026 at Felindre Village Hall Attendance was not good only fourteen people were in attendance including GCC hosts. Best Practice for installing Speed Indicator Devices was discussed. The question raised was around the legal position on these devices being TOWPAS compliant or if it would be possible to use ISO compliant equipment that is available at a more preferential rate. Talgarth Town Council won the Cost-of-Living award and were congratulated. Barbara Lloyd of Glasbury Council stood down as Chairperson. New Chairperson is Justin Horrel. The minutes have not yet been circulated, and the date of the next meeting will be confirmed. A discussion took place around the role of the Regional Committees and the National Executive Committee. It was noted that decisions made by the NEC seems very top down, and it would be better if the voices of the constant councils were acknowledged.
26-27-00070	Green Spaces – CAT AC0131 Biodiversity Pack Application has been updated and acknowledged. Cllr Bugler tried to contact the PCC Head of Housing Services, Liz Jones, who was unavailable and left a voicemail on Friday 3rd July 2026 but has received no response. Cllr Bugler will follow up. Cllr Pritchard has emailed Liz Jones and Ed Jenkins PCC Housing, asking what is blocking the progress of the lease and is waiting for a response. On a good note, the Super-Sized Garden Pack for the Green Space has been approved, and the first delivery of the raised beds will be on 7th August 2026.
26-27-00071	Communications and Publications – Training booked with New Millenium for 16th July 2026 No Articles have been received from Councillors. ACTION - Clerk to send individual reminders to the councillors.
26-27-00072	Footpath at Glasbury Bus Stop Cllr Pritchard met JPL Groundworks and Civil Engineering at Glasbury Bus Shelter on Friday 3rd July 2026. They have looked at the site, noting there would be a need for dropped kerbs. JPL will send a quote to the Clerk as soon as possible. Still no response from the other suppliers ACTION Clerk to chase these up.
26-27-00073	Solar Radar Signs – SIDs • Waiting for work to be done by PCC, a quote has been received. • When the work is complete and is signed off by GCC and PCC, GCC will pay the quoted invoice approved in Decision #DE079 at the Full Council Meeting on 11th June 2026 • Cllr Pritchard has spoken to other community councils regarding working together as a cluster to procure the Solar Radar Speed Indicator Signs to secure better value for money costs
26-27-00074	Invitation to Mark Williams to ask questions of the council Mark Williams has expressed an interest in becoming a GCC Councillor for Gwernyfed. Unfortunately, he was unavailable for this meeting and will come to the next one to discuss the role with the members.

26-27-00075	Councillor Vacancies AC0146 – Quote received for leaflets - Complete AC0169 Database of Electoral Roll and List of Businesses in Gwernyfed - Complete ACTION Cllr Pritchard to finalise the poster and all councillors to post the flyer in prominent places and their noticeboards ACTION Clerk to get a quote from the previous supplier. ACTION Clerk to prepare an introductory email to local businesses ACTION - get the leaflet onto website and social media ACTION take a final decision on the supplier by email by 23rd July 2026 Finalise leaflet,
26-27-00076	Councillor Application Considerations #DE087 It is proposed that Mark Williams is co-opted to the council. As the candidate was unable to attend this decision is postponed to a future meeting ACTION: Clerk to inform Mark Williams of the decision and next steps
26-27-00077	Forward Look • Decision on August 13th, 2026, Full Council Meeting. It was agreed that this meeting would go ahead and would be an Online Meeting via Teams • Reminder of other council meetings (All sub-committee meetings should be open to the public, the dates must be published a minimum of three clear days before the meeting not including the days of the publication and meeting. The Clerk to attend and minute the meetings)

Signed on behalf of Gwernyfed Community Council

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

**Next Meeting 13th August 2026 at 7.30 pm
as an online meeting over Teams**