

PENALLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED PENALUN

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Penally Community Council held at Penally Village Hall on Wednesday 8th January 2025 at 6.00 pm.

Present : Cllrs S Snow (Chair), I Richards (Vice Chair), P Boyle, A Parkinson, P Walsh, County Cllr Phil Kidney and The Clerk.

Meeting agenda

Meeting started at 18.05pm. Cllr Snow (Chair) opened the meeting.

2025/01 87 To receive any Apologies for Absence.

Apologies received from Cllrs Mackie and Rilstone

2025/01 88 To Receive any personal and prejudicial Declaration of Interests as per the Code of Conduct

None

2025/01 89 To Receive the Minutes of the Meeting Held on the 13th of November 2024

Cllr Snow proposed that the Minutes of the General meeting of Penally Community Council held on the 13th of November 2024, as presented to the Council, be signed as a true record of the meeting; Cllr Richards seconded the proposal with a majority of Cllrs in agreement.

2025/01 90 Matters Arising from the Minutes – Information Only

Cllr Snow thanked Cllr Richards for his assistance on taking delivery of the Christmas tree, the lighting, and the later removal.

2025/01 91 Consider Account(s) for Payment and Bank Reconciliation – See finance report.

Cllr Walsh proposed the Banking Reconciliation and statement be accepted as a true account, Cllr Boyle seconded the proposal, all Cllrs in full agreement.

December payments made:

002045	Salary	December	£ 425.12
BACS	Smart Gardens	November Cutting	£380.00
BACS	HMRC	TAX	£169.00
BACS	Insignia	Invoices 9011-9262	£90.04

Invoices received a total of £1064.16 Cllr Walsh proposed payment be made , seconded by Cllr Boyle, all Cllrs in full agreement.

January payment:

2106	Salary	January	£301.88
2107	HMRC	TAX	£70.80

Invoices received total of £372.68 Cllr Walsh proposed payment be made , seconded by Cllr Boyle, all Cllrs in full agreement.

2025/01 92 To consider proposed Precept for budget year 2025-26.

The Clerk presented the accounts to date, with additional forecasts to the year- end which included commitments for the purchase of Speed Signs, works at the Community/Memorial Gardens and the Pétanque project in the park. Cllr Snow reported that at a recent meeting of the Finance group it was agreed that a Precept amount of £20,000 will be required for the next budget year. Cllr Walsh proposed the sum of £20,000 to be submitted to Pembrokeshire County Council as the Precept payment for 2025-26, Cllr Richards seconded the proposal and all Cllrs in agreement.

2025/01 93 Consider Planning applications received.

None

2025/01 94 Planning application notices received.

24/0659/PA Windways, PENALLY, Pembrokeshire, SA70 7QE **Conditionally approved**
24/0626/PA 5, Kenystyle, PENALLY, Pembrokeshire, SA70 7PH **Conditionally approved**

2025/01 95 Consideration of correspondence received.

The Clerk read correspondence received from members of the public objecting to the proposed closure of Penally Toilets; also read the response from Pembrokeshire County Council.

2025/01 96 County Councillor Philip Kidney report

Cllr Kidney reported Pembrokeshire County Council had received notification of an increase in its budget settlement of 4.2%. Brynhir development contract has been awarded to a Carmarthen contractor Morgan Construction, work to commence late spring. Ninety-three affordable homes, sixteen shared and sixteen on the open market. A review currently ongoing into the Long Course application, alternative routes being considered.

Cllr Snow requested that the drains throughout the village be cleaned as a majority are full of leaves and debris, Cllr Kidney to advise the relevant department.

2025/01 97 To receive any reports from working parties, including projects.

Cllr Boyle reported the Community/Memorial Garden project agreement from the Church of Wales had been received. The agreement read to Council, Cllr Richards proposed the agreement be signed, Cllr Snow seconded the proposal, all Cllrs in agreement.

The Clerk reported that a response not yet received from Pembrokeshire County Council on siting of second speed sign.

The Parks department have been contacted enquiring on possible asset transfer of both play parks and also the playing field in the village. Obtaining the areas will assist with grants for the upgrade of both parks. Cllr Kidney to chase a response.

2025/01 98 To receive reports from Council Representatives.

Cllr Snow reported that the Village Hall Committee meeting will be held the following week. The Christmas Fayre and Coffee morning both well attended, funds raised for the Charity PATH(Pembrokeshire Action for the Homeless).

2025/01 99 To consider long term responsibility of Penally public toilets.

Cllr Boyle reported that an additional £12,000 would need to be added to the Precept for the next budget year to service and maintain the toilets in Penally. This would impact on council tax by increasing premiums. Cllr Boyle proposed the toilets remain the responsibility of the County Council and it will be their decision to permanently close or continue operating the public toilets, Cllr Snow seconded the proposal, all Cllrs in agreement.

2025/01 100 Any other business

Cllr Parkinson suggested that a local events calendar for the next 12 months is produced, the matter to be added to the agenda of the next meeting.

Cllr Boyle reported the Church is to hold a flower festival, open invite to all in the Community, further detail to follow.

Next meeting : Wednesday 12th February 2025

Meeting closed at 19.25 pm.