



CYNGOR CYMUNED CHWITFFORDD / WHITFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of The Meeting of Whitford Community Council

Held at St. Paul's Church, Gorsedd,

On Thursday the 11th June, 2026, at 7.00pm

1(A). 99/26

PRESENT

Councillor Caradoc W. Jones (Chair)
Councillor Tim Barks
Councillor Matthew J. Marshall
Councillor Richard Newsome
Councillor Melanie Wallis
Councillor Emma Warbrick
Councillor Steve Watts
Councillor Joseph Williams

Clerk & Financial Officer R. Phillip Parry

1(B). 100/26

APOLOGIES

Councillor Alexander Lamb
Councillor Sandra B. Roberts
Councillor Gareth Sharp
Councillor Paul Urquhart

1(C). 101/26

ABSENT

None

2. 102/26

PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS

No attendance at meeting by public, no questions, comments or representations received prior to meeting.

3. 103/26

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest declared.

4. 104/26

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 14TH MAY 2026

The Minutes were proposed as correct by Councillor Emma Warbrick and seconded by Councillor Richard Newsome and formally agreed by the Members present.

5. 105/26

PROGRESS REPORT ON MATTERS RAISED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Clerk referred to the following matters from previous Minutes:

- (1) Healthy Five Villages:** The Clerk advised that Councillor Sandra Roberts will continue with this project and will update Members in due course. An article will be written for the next edition of The Five Villages Chronicle.
- (2) Village Name Signage:** Whilst the majority of signs have been installed, a number will be erected within the near future, with others on order.

The Clerk advised that the Welsh Language Commission's Office have advised Flintshire County Council that the correct spelling for Wacco is Waco – one C. The County wish to receive the Community Council's comments prior to the ordering to two new signs.

Members agreed the following: Whilst the recommendation by the Office of the Welsh Language Commission is appreciated, the Community Council are concerned that the change of spelling will be confusing, in particular, in relation to the historical aspect with the name spelt with two c's for a substantial number of years. The change will also be personally challenging for the residents and cause confusion.

- (3) Pen Y Gelli Gate Renovation:** The Clerk recollected Members that they had previously agreed to source a quotation for the refurbishment of the bottom gate at Pen y Gelli Nature Reserve. A quotation had been received from Brian Jones (Custom Made Timber Products) to rub down and re-paint, in green, the bottom gate and 2 posts at £360.00.

Members agreed the following: Accepted the above quotation.

- (4) Red K6 Telephone Box:** The Clerk recollected Members that they had previously agreed to source a quotation for various works to the red phone box in Whitford. A quotation had been received from Brian Jones (Custom Made Timber Products) to replace telephone signs with 3 x Book Exchange signs, replace the small broken glass with small toughened glass panel, prepare telephone box and re-paint with K6 red paint and K6 gold paint for the crests at £700.00

Members agreed the following: Accepted the above quotation. The Clerk to advise that one of the top panels is missing, which may attract an additional cost.

- (5) Inspection of Eight Council Concrete and Wooden Benches:** Members were shown on screen a report and photographs of each bench following a visit by Brian Jones (Custom Made Timber Products).
- (6) Members agreed the following:** To seek a quotation from Brian Jones (Custom Made Timber Products) for the work outlined in his report.

Pending Matters:

- (i) Ysgol Y Llan sign. Tomos Williams (Headteacher) thanked the Council for agreeing to provide funding for the signage at a cost of £241.00. The design of the sign is in progress with the sign company and when the invoice is received, will be forwarded to the Council.
- (ii) Street Lighting electricity supply.

6(A). 106/26

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence had been received, that was required to be either advised to, or dealt with by the Members:

- (1) The Clerk advised, that the following criminal offences had been reported to the North Wales Police, that had occurred within the Whitford Community Council area:

Carmel - 2 x Violence

Gorsedd - No crimes reported

Lloc - No crimes reported

Lloc (Services) – 1 x Anti social behaviour / 1 x Other theft / 1 x Violence

Pantasaph - 1 x Vehicle crime

Whitford - No crimes reported

6(B). 107/26

CLERK'S REPORT

- (a) The Clerk advised of the passing of former Whitford Community Councillor Mr. Tegwyn Thomas, Parc Gorsedd, Gorsedd. The current Chair of Council Caradoc Jones paid tribute to former Councillor Tegwyn Thomas.
- (b) The Clerk advised that the Annual Return for Year Ending 31st March, 2026 had been submitted to Wales Audit. A Public Notice of appointment of the date for the exercise of electors' rights is displayed on the Council's notice board and uploaded to the Council's web site.
- (c) Invitation to Councillor Caradoc Jones, as Chair of Council, to attend the celebration dinner of the Cymdeithas Thomas Pennant Society and to provide a bilingual speech on behalf of the Council

6(C). 108/26

COUNTY COUNCILLOR CHRIS DOLPHIN

The Clerk advised in relation to the following received from County Councillor Chris Dolphin:

- Village Name Signage - Update (Minute number 5.105/26 (2) on page 2 above)

6(D). 109/26

STREETSCENE SCHEDULE (FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL)

The Clerk advised in relation to the following concern(s) that had been reported to StreetScene, since the last Council meeting:

- ❖ No matters of concern had been received and reported since the last Council meeting.

The Clerk provided the following update from Mr. Nigel Seaburg (StreetScene) Officer

- (a) Pot holes: Near Glol Farm, *Sarn. Listed for repair.*
- (b) Pot holes: Sarn Crossroads. *Sarn. Listed for repair.*
- (c) Potholes: Whitford to Sarn Road. *Sarn. Listed for repair.*
- (d) Pot holes: by Rock Inn, Lloc. *Sarn. Listed for repair.*
- (e) Parc Gorsedd, Gorsedd: Weeds and long grass along kerbsides. Could these be removed please. *Estate listed for weed treatment.*
- (f) Faded white lines: By Sarn Crossroads. Could the lines be repainted. *Request to be added to list.*

Members brought the following concerns to the meeting:

- (1) Pot holes: Penffordd Llan, Lloc
- (2) Pot holes: Alongside Pent Y Wacco towards garage
- (3) Drains appear to be blocked: A5026 Road travelling past the garage towards the A55. Road flooding during rainfall
- (4) Kerb still not been cleared in Parc Gorsedd
- (5) Grass verge not been cut in Parc Gorsedd
- (6) Pavement overgrowth: A5026 Road, between Mertyn Lane and Holway Court. Difficult for perambulators, mobility vehicles and wheelchair users
- (7) Pavements crumbling in area of Ocean View Estate which causes issues for residents. Could the area be inspected
- (8) Concerns reported by residents as to the standard of patching recently completed: Travelling out of Pantasaph – from bend to cattle grid

The Clerk advised, that the above concerns would be brought to the attention of StreetScene.

7. 110/26

REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS (COMMITTEES, LIAISON & MEETINGS ATTENDED)

- Ysgol Y Llan, Whitford: Councillor Joe Williams advised of his attendance at a recent meeting of the School Governors.

8(A). 111/26

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning application had been received:

- Application number: ADV/000414/26 – for proposed advertisement consent to install four nonilluminated sponsorship signs 1000 x 500mm placed on the roundabout using a powder coated two posts and plate, passive sign system, one sign located facing each road entrance, at Roundabout 24, Caerwys interchange, NW Expressway, Pen y Cefn.

Comment by Council: Subject to compliance with relevant policies and planning guidance notes, then no objections raised.

(The above application was sent to Members for consultation in-between meetings, due to statutory time limits for observations from County Planning).

8(B). 112/26

Members formally confirmed the above decision.

8(C). 113/26

The following planning application and notification of proposed upgrade to existing radio base station installation had been received for consideration:

- ❖ Planning application number: FUL/000284/26 – for amendments to submitted plans for proposed demolition of a previous two-storey extension connecting two parts of a single dwelling and proposed replacement with a new two-storey extension along with associated internal layout alterations, a new first floor extension to the rear, varying the main driveway entrance to an existing alternative access and construction of a detached, single-storey pitched roof garage, at Pickpocket Hall, Babell Road, Pantasaph

Comment by Council: Subject to compliance with relevant policies and planning guidance notes, then no objections raised.

- Not a County Planning Application

Notification of proposed upgrade to existing radio base station installation at cs_24187321, at Pen-y-Bryn Farm, Gorsedd, CH8 8QZ (NGR: e314998, n376515)
Application made by Perry Williams Ltd on behalf of Cornerstone (Mobile Infrastructure)

Comment by Council: No objection to the upgrade of the equipment at Pen Y Bryn Farm in Gorsedd. The Council supports the enhancement, which will benefit the residents of the Council area and beyond.

8(D). 114/26

PLANNING DECISIONS

- No planning decisions received from Flintshire County Council

9. 115/26

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Payee (Authorised to be paid by BACS)	Net £	Vat £	Total £
<u>Payments made – to be confirmed:</u>			
Standing Order: R. P. Parry - Clerk to Council (Monthly salary & home working allowance for May) Payments dated 01/06/2026			
Direct Debit: Scottish Power (May - Street Lighting Electricity Account - payment dated 04/06/2026	511.48	102.30	613.78

<u>Payment for consideration at meeting to be paid by BACS:</u>			
Treetops Environmental (K Fricker): May Litter Picking Contract	720.00		720.00
Two Councillor allowances to Members (As per Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales)	416.00		416.00
(All invoices listed have been 'examined, verified and certified' by the Clerk)			

10. 116/26

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Name of organisation (Authorised to be paid by BACS)	Amount granted £
No applications received	

11. 117/26

Members agreed the payments of the above accounts as listed.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

SIGNED BY CHAIR OF COUNCIL:.....

DATE OF
APPROVAL:.....