



# **Penybont & District Community Council**

## **Annual Report**

**2025/26**

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## **Introduction**

This annual report sets out to inform the residents of Penybont & Llandegely about the activities undertaken by Community Council during the 2024/2025. It is based on the financial year April – 31<sup>st</sup> March. The report contains a brief outline of the structure of the Council, an overview of the Council's activities throughout the year and a financial summary.

## **Contact**

The Council does not have an office space and the Clerk works from home, the contact details for the council are:

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The Council consists of seven Members (Councilors) to cover the two Wards.

The Council elects a Chair and a Vice Chair at the council's Annual Meeting in May. The Council is supported by one part-time member of staff; the Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer who is currently Geraint Evans.

## **Members**

The following members were in place during 2024/25

**Cllr Derek Turner**

**Cllr Dr David Lyall**

**Cllr Richard Watkins**            **Chair**

**Cllr Richard Duggan**

**Cllr John Lawrence**

**Cllr Janet Ingram**

**Cllr Robert Bufton**

**County Councilor**

**Geoff Morgan**

## **Services & Facilities**

Penybont & Llandegely Community Council provides the following services & facilities:

- Community Noticeboards
- Grants to local groups
- Support for local initiatives
- Community web site
- Maintenance and upkeep of two defibrillators.
- Speed awareness automatic signs



## Grants & Donations

The Council operates a grant system for the benefit of local groups who may apply for grant funding to carry out work for the benefit of members of the community within the electoral boundary of Penybont & Llandegley.

The grants application system is open throughout the year. Applications must be submitted in writing to the Clerk containing as much information as possible. The council has a limited budget allocation.

Below is a list of grants allocated during 2024/25

VE Celebrations	£200	Grant contribution towards running costs
Defibrillator purchasing and servicing grants & Community Hall Wi-fi costs	£1894	



## Budget Monitoring

The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer presents expenses/budget update reports to the council on a quarterly basis.

The Community Council is committed to using local contractors and suppliers wherever possible and believes in the value of the "Powys Pound."

### Council Financial Reserves

The Council holds financial reserves some of which are held within individual budget headings and others are held within general reserves. It is crucial the Council holds sufficient reserves to maintain its operations effectively and in preparation for future projects and services. A full list of financial reserves is provided to members at the end of each financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April.) These are also reported via the external audit process.

Financial Reserves held at 31.03.22:

Earmarked    £3863

General        £4987

## Next Steps

The Community Council are at the concluding part of 2026 seeking to co-opt two community councilors in readiness of the full elections during May 2027.

The Council is committed to continue to work for the benefit of the community and its residents and welcomes project ideas from local residents.