

Penybont and District Community Council

You are summoned to attend a Council meeting of the Penybont and District Community Council to be held at **7.30pm, 9th September 2025 in Main Hall of Penybont Community Hall**

Geraint Evans
Clerk to Community
Council
3rd September 2025

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declaration of interest:

Reminder to members. A personal Interest is also a Prejudicial Interest because under the objective, public perception test (Para 12(1) of the Members' Code of Conduct) where you have a personal interest in any business of your authority you also have a prejudicial interest in that business if the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest. Forms available from the Clerk

3. Minutes.

To authorise the Chairman to sign minutes of the previous meeting of the Council held on the: -
8th July 2025

4. Clerk's Update.

- Current position of the hacking of council account
- Councillors' responsibilities

5. County Councillors Report

6. Planning (information):

- Update letter from Pickstock Homes re Old Market Meadows, Penybont.

7. Community Issues Raised or Ongoing

8. One Voice Wales

No published minutes.

9. Finance

(i) To Approve:

Microsoft 365 annual charge	£84.99*
Clerk ½ year salary	£1117.50**
Clerk ½ year home allowance	953.89
Defrib4life Community Hall, replacements	£196.00*

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Penybont Charity	£200
Received Precept 2/3	£1792.00

- * VAT recoverable
- ** HMRC declaration

10. Correspondance

11. Public Discussion ¹

12. Date of Next Meeting and format

11th November 2025 at 7.30pm Hybrid available.

Public Attendance and Involvement at Community Council Meetings

1. Members of the public are entitled to attend Community Council Meetings except when the Council has something of a confidential nature to discuss.
2. Members of the public have no automatic right to speak at Community Council Meetings
3. Penybont and District CC have allocated a space at the end of meetings when members of the Public are invited to raise matters for the Community Council to consider as items to be put on the agenda for their next meeting.
4. Members of the public who bring other matters to the attention of the Community Council may be listened to at the discretion of the Chair.
5. Members of the public who are told that an item is not relevant to the work of the Council may be told to desist. Failure to desist could mean that the person is asked to leave. Failure to leave the Meeting could result in the Chair adjourning the Meeting and/or calling the Police.
6. The Chair may call upon members of the public who have specialist knowledge on an item being discussed to speak at any time during the Meeting.

¹ Standing Orders 2.15C

Minutes of Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday
8th July 2025. On line via Zoom at 7.30pm ¹

PRESENT: Cllrs R.Watkins (Chair); Cllr D.Lyall Cllr Bufton
:R.Watkins:; J.Lawrence: D.Turner, Cllr R.Duggan

Apologies:

Absent: Cllr D. Bayliss

Others:

Declarations of Interest:

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PD/0034/25 Minutes.

To authorise the Chairman to sign minutes of the previous meetings of the Council held on the: -

13th May Annual Meeting

13th May Meeting

10th June extra-ordinary meeting

Proposed to accept by Cllr D Lyall...Unanimous

PD/0035/25 Clerk's Update.

Reference at the last meeting to a Section 6 mentioned in the report from Ove Voice Wales, was referring to a requirement on community councils from 2022 to publish their own environmental report. Also, in this agenda.

PD/0036/25 County Councillors Report

- Gave a brief update on 'farm leases' buy back.
- Blue tongue

PD/0037/25 Planning

No recent applications. See community issues on past events.

PD/0038/25 Community Issues Raised or Ongoing

- Capability of Penybont Sewage Works with new housing estate.
 - The council discussed the letter in response to the last meeting 25/0175/NMA from the Senior Planning Office R.
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Griffiths. It was highlighted that the above reference was not a 'planning application' only an adjustment to the 2007 application, and therefore not open to the issues of sewage raised by the council.

- The council received documents at the meeting indicating an official undertaking in 2007 that funds were to be made available to enhance the capabilities of the Penybont sewage capacity.
- An additional issue was raised relating the applicants planning map submitted to Powys. Documents submitted show an additional 6 parking bays on land not owned by the applicant company.

Resolved that the Clerk shall write to both parties for an explanation.

- Community benefit from alternative energy parks. Documents that were circulated widely within the region were part of the agenda. No information yet have been found how other community councils are considering the offers under a Sec 106 agreement on other from Bute Energy.
- BIODIVERSITY REPORT – July 2025
The copy of the councils' position (on web site) relating to its environment, were discussed and checked against the proposed position in 2025. Proposed to publish the new policy for the next 3 years.
- Defibrillator at Llandegley.
- Concern was raised by the Clerk that since the installation in 2019, when the council accepted responsibility, at Llandegley BT telephone box, has any known or documented inspections taken place. Cllr J. Lawrance agreed to establish this matter within his community and offered to purchase any items necessary to make the equipment safe and usable.

PD/0039/25 One Voice Wales

- See attached minutes Noted

PD/0040/25 Finance

(i)To Approve:

Mrs Tracy Price	Internal audit 24-25	£74.75
Visionict	Web Maintenance	£48*
*VAT to be claimed		

- 1) Bank reconciliation for May/June 2025

2) Approval of bank mandate for ICO

The above **resolved** to approve Cllr Lyall Unanimous.

3) To approve Scribe accounting system

The clerk submitted a briefing paper for the necessity to use a uniform accounting package compatible with the Welsh Audit Office (WAO) Greater demands are being placed of Responsible Finance Officers (RFO) by the WAO and a fining system is soon to be introduced. The system on offer and used locally, is also compatible with the documentation require. is known as Scribe. It will allow ease of transfer to any incoming RFO with a full training package available at no additional cost. Councillors will also have a 'look only' password.

Proposed to take on the package, Clerk will advise when a direct mandate is undertaken. Cllr J. Lawrance Unambitious.

PD/0041/25 Correspondence

- Ramblers' footpaths - Noted Clerk to complete questionnaire.

PD/0042/25 Public Discussion ²

Mr Hulse asked for PCC to be asked to clean gutters within Llandegley. Clerk to contact.

Other matters raised relating to planning, the Chair gave permission to be introduced during the discussion.

A letter received from resident of Llandegley highlighting the continual danger of speed through the village (50mph). More importantly, school pickup coaches using the A44, incorrectly stopping exposing children to risk (Hereford to Crossgates) or there being no stopping area (Crossgate to Hereford). The council stated that the current speed limit was in fact 60MPH and after many years and efforts a reduction was made. The clerk will contact Powys Highways concerning this letter but also re submit the work carried out in the report by Cllr Turner.

PD0043/25 Date of Next Meeting and format

9th September `2025 at 7.30pm Hybrid available.

² Standing Orders 2.15C

My name is Rhea with Microsoft Customer Support. I appreciate your patience while I have performed an investigation of your account.

Account security is a top priority at Microsoft, and we have a team dedicated to investigating and validating fraudulent activity. The account and billing activity associated with your Microsoft account was thoroughly reviewed by our fraud team, and I can confirm there was unauthorized access to your account. Unfortunately, during the investigation process, we found that your security information has been changed.

Unfortunately, when security features are updated on an account, we are unable to assist with an account recovery as these types of updates and/or removal are completely out of control of customer service. We are unable to make any changes to the security information on the account due to security protocols set up and the acceptance of the Microsoft Services Agreement when the account was created.

The only option we have is to permanently suspend this account to prevent any further use. At this time, I have successfully suspended this account, and this will remain on indefinitely.

In the event that you have files stored in OneDrive, unfortunately those files are no longer accessible after account suspension and are subsequently unable to be recovered due to encryption; even our engineers do not have standing access to the files. We know that this is not the ideal outcome in terms of your stored files, but please be assured that this is necessary for the privacy of your data and to ensure that it does not end up in the wrong hands permanently.

Thank you for your understanding and patience during the investigation of your account.

G Evans, CiLCA (Wales)
Clerk to Penybont & District Community Council
Bryn Haul
Cwmback Llechrhyd
Builth Wells
LD2 3RP

Email: nick.scott@pickstockhomes.com

Your Ref:

Our Ref: 0503.250716.D3.PDCC

Date: Wednesday, 16 July 2025

Dear Mr Evans,

**RE: PLANNING REF: 19/1368/NMA
OLD MARKET MEADOWS, PENYBONT, LLANDRINDOD WELLS LD1 5UA**

Thank you for your letter and enclosed plan received 14th July 2025 concerning the above planning application.

I note your plan appears to reference the six car parking spaces and graveyard access that was constructed during the first phase of the development of this site. I confirm that the Non-Material Amendment does not affect these spaces in any way and note that they are outside of the red line boundary of our NMA application.

I hope this clarifies the position in relation to the six car parking spaces, however if you have any questions please do not hesitate to call me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nicholas Scott'.

Nicholas Scott BSc (Hons) MRICS
Managing Director

Penybont & Llandegley Community Council

Prepared by: Geraint Evans
Name and Role (Clerk/RFO etc)

Date: 3rd September 2025

Approved by: _____
Name and Role (RFO/Chair of Finance etc)

Date: _____

Bank Reconciliation at 01/09/2025			
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2025		7,034.28
	ADD Receipts 01/04/2025 - 01/09/2025		4,962.36
			11,996.64
	SUBTRACT Payments 01/04/2025 - 01/09/2025		1,588.43
			10,408.21
A	Cash in Hand 01/09/2025 (per Cash Book)		
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash 01/09/2025	0.00	
	Unity Trust Bank 01/09/2025	10,494.00	
			10,494.00
	Less unrepresented payments		84.99
			10,409.01
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
			10,409.01
B	Adjusted Bank Balance		
Error A does NOT equal B			
ERROR IS			£-0.80