

# Cyngor Cymuned CARNO Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Cyngor Cymuned Carno Community Council.

Held on: Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023

Time: 7.30pm.

Location: The Cledan Room, Canolfan Gymdeithasol Carno Community Centre.

1. Present.

1.1. Cllrs: J.C. Barnes (Chairperson), J.P. Ellison, S.L. Jerman, M.H. Jones, S.R. Kiely (Vice-Chairperson), W.L. Le Maitre & T.H. Thomas.

1.2. Alan Humphreys (Clerk to the Council).

1.3. Cllr. Les George.(Ward Councillor Powys County Council)

1.4. One Member of the Public.

2. Apologises for Absence.

2.1. Cllrs: D.I. Jones & J.G. Thomas.

3. Declaration of Interest.

3.1. None.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

4.1. The Minutes from the Meeting of Cyngor Cymuned Carno Community Council held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 7.30pm in the Cledan Room, Canolfan Gymdeithasol Carno Community Centre were unanimously approved.

Proposed: Cllr: M.H. Jones      Seconded: Cllr: J.P. Ellison.

5. Matters Arising.

5.1. Cemetery.

5.1.1. *Lower Gates.*

5.1.1.1. No progress.

5.1.2. War Memorial.

5.1.2.1. This had been cleaned in time for Remembrance Sunday and the new appearance had been well received.

5.2. Highway Matters.

5.2.1. Maintenance Issues reported to Powys County Council.

Location.	Issue.	Powys Ref.	Comments.
Trem y Noddfa Carpark. SY17 5LJ.	Potholes.	JD171795	Powys CC Housing are responsible. 16.08.2022. Cllr Les George reported he had chased the matter again. 18.07.2023. Discussion taking place with Powys CC.
	Blocked Drain.	JD188470	
Cwm Llwyd Road. SY17 5JY.	Potholes.		09.11.2022. Job raised. 21.02.2023. Some repaired but more required. 20.06.2023 Powys CC to make a site visit. 18.07.2023. Cllr D.I. Jones reported some repairs had been done but more was required.

Puddles, Pwll Llydan SY17 5JY.	Flooding.	6806-9598-7763-4809	24.02.2022. Reported. 07.03.2022. Still Active. 09.11.2022. Job to address layby and new gullies raised. 20.06.2023. Powys CC to inspect gullies in the area.
Frankwell. SY17 5LP.	Overgrown. Flooding issue	6178-0656-5808-6548.	25.10.2022. Under investigation 28.10.2022. Passed to Powys CC Land Drainage Section. 20.06.2023. Cllr George said it was not Powys CC land and that the Land Registry within Powys CC should be consulted to see who own the land .

5.2.2. **Maintenance Issues reported to Mid & North Wales Trunk Road Authority.**

Location.	Issue.	TRA Ref.	Comments.
Trees, Sarn Bridge.	Over hanging		12.09.2023. Reported

5.2.3. **Ward Councillors Report.** (PCC Cllr Les George).

5.2.3.1. Cllr George's had nothing to report but did confirm that the application for the Lorry Park at the redundant Laura Ashley Offices, had been 'called in' and his letter could be found on the Powys CC Planning Portal.

5.2.4. **Carno Station Action Group Report.** (Cllr. J.C. Barnes).

5.2.4.1. Cllr Barnes had new information to report.

5.2.5. **Place Plan.** (Cllr J.P. Ellison)

5.2.5.1. Cllr Ellison reported that this was still on-going.

5.2.6. **Public Convenience.**

5.2.7. **Defibrillator.**

5.2.7.1. The Clerk had not been able to progress this.

5.2.7.2. Cllr. T.H. Thomas advised that a suitable location for the defibulator at Gerddi Cledan would be adjacent to the street name sign as you entered the estate.

5.2.7.3. A further defibulator would be installed at the Spar.

5.2.8. **Bus Shelters.**

5.2.8.1. The Clerk advised that he had been party to an online meeting with the Trunk Road Authority to discuss pedestrian crossings. It was confirmed that an evaluation had been budgeted for by the TRA in their 2024/2025 Budget.

5.2.8.2. The question of locations for additional bus shelters would be included in that evaluation.

5.2.8.3. The item would be removed from the Agenda for the time being.

5.2.9. **Letters re observations in & around Winllan Lane/Windfarms.**

5.2.9.1. A copy of a letter that Mr Hewings had sent to Amegni Ltd, regarding issues with the Carno 2 Windfarm, had been received.

5.2.9.2. The Clerk reported that he had replied to Mr Hewings original letter, outlining that most issues were not the Community Council's responsibility and that the Council had no authority to intervene. The exception was the condition of Winllan Lane which would be discussed with Powys CC.

## 6. Planning.

### 6.1. Planning Applications.

Application No.	Location.	Description.
	None.	

### 6.2. Planning Approvals.

Application No.	Location.	Description.
2023 1118 FUL	Fferm Wylfa. SY17 5JS.	Barn Conversion & additional work.

### 6.3. Planning Refusals.

Application No.	Location.	Description.
	None.	

### 6.4. Planning Applications Awaiting a Powys CC. Decision.

Application No.	Location.	Description.	Council's Response.
2010 0890	Esgair Cwmowen Windfarm.	Additional information.	No Objection.
2022 0971 HH	Plas Newydd. SY17 5JR.	Roof, Window, Internal work.	No Objection.
2022 2217 FUL	Tan-y-Foel Quarry.	Extension & restoration.	No Objection.
2023 1238 FUL	Hendre Fach. SY17 5JY.	Rural Enterprise Dwelling & Change of Use.	No Objection. Strong Support
2023 1415 FUL	Old Laura Ashley Office Site.	Additional lorry parking.	Strong Objection
2023 1468 HH	Dolfriog, SY17 5JY	Ground Floor Extension.	No Objection.

### 6.5. Planning Decision Lists.

16th to 27th October 2023.	None in Carno.
30th Oct to 10th Nov20 23.	1 in Carno. See 5.2

## 7. Correspondence.

### 7.1. Abbreviations.

CA.	Citizens Advice.
CMI.	Cambrian Mountains Initiative.
CSAG.	Carno Station Action Group.
IRP Wales.	Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales.
MWWFRS.	Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Service.
NMWTRA.	North & Mid Wales Trunk Road Authority.
NRW.	National Resources Wales.
OLPW.	Older Peoples' Commissioner Wales.
ONS.	Office for National Statistics.
OVW.	One Voice Wales.
PAVO.	Powys Association of Voluntary Groups.
PAW.	Planning Aid Wales.
PCC.	Powys County Council.
Powys CHC.	Powys Community Health Council.
Powys PSB.	Powys Public Service Board.
Powys RPB.	Powys Regional Partnership Board.
Powys THB.	Powys Teaching Health Board.
RNID.	Royal National Institute for the Deaf.
TfW.	Transport for Wales.
WG	Welsh Government
Welsh TRA.	Welsh Government Trunk Road Authority.
WISERD.	Wales Institute of Social & Economic Research & Data.
WLGA.	Welsh Local Government Association.

### 7.2. Received by Post.

Council & Clerks Direct.	Newsletter.
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### 7.3. Received by Email.

(Emails listed were received by the Clerk since the last Meeting and were forwarded to Councillors for their consideration.)

CMI.	Cambrian Mountains Initiative - New Directors.
Green Energy.	Consultation on Vyrnwy Frankton connection now closed.
Powys CC.	Ysgol Bro Caereinion.
Bute Energy.	Llyn Lort Energy Park – consultation is now closed.

OVW.	Joint Event - One Voice Wales & The Society Of Local Councils - 08.11.2023.
Keep Wales Tidy.	Webinars for LPfN.
OVW.	Advice and advocacy bodies list on our website.
MWWFRS.	Calon Tân - October 2023 Edition.
Russell George MS.	November Newsletter.
PAVO.	Powys Advocacy November Newsletter.
Hywel Dda Health Board.	Strategic Equality Plan 2024 – 2028.
Powys CC.	Disengaged Partners.
PAVO.	Engagement Events - Daytime Opportunities.
Keep Wales Tidy.	Powys Eco-School .Cluster Initial meeting for councils and other orgs.
IRP Wales.	Councillor Allowances - Homeworking arrangements and consumables.
PAVO.	Information to Share.
Machynlleth TC.	Engagement Events - Daytime Opportunities for adults' consultation.
EMRTS Cymru.	Update. Emergency Medical Retrieval & Transfer Service (EMRTS Cymru)
Keep Wales Tidy.	Powys Environmental Education Cluster - initial meeting agenda.
IRP Wales.	Update - CEIC Paned a Sgwrs.
OVW.	Smart Towns Wales Programme.
OVW.	A video all about our National Charity Tender.
MWWFRS.	Community Risk Management Plan 2040.
Powys CC.	Powys Business Growth Grant - Apply now.
PAVO.	Cruse bereavement support change of phone number.
PAVO.	Powys County Council News.
PAVO.	Eat Smart Save Better.
OVW.	Draft Minutes - Montgomery Area Committee of One Voice Wales.
Dyfed/Powys Police	Gwahoddiad   Invitation.
DP Police Commissioner.	Bwletin CHTh   PCC Bulletin
WG.	Road Safety Strategy Consultation.
DP Police Commissioner.	Policing Budget Consultation.
CADNO Communications.	Update Mynydd Lluest y Graig.
Green GEN Cymru.	Rhiwlas Green Energy Network.
WG.	Road Safety Strategy Consultation.
Powys CC.	Powys-Wide Day Opportunities Engagement.
WG.	Minister's letter re. Asbestos Management.
Generations Commissioner	Cymru Can – Future Generations Cymru Strategy.
Bute Energy.	Llyn Lort Energy Park – Stage one Consultation summary report.
Green GEN Cymru.	Launch of Rhiwlas Green Energy Network Consultation.
PAVO.	Health and Wellbeing Network.
OVW.	Montgomery Area Committee 15.1.24.
OVW.	Cost of Living Crisis Team.
Keep Wales Tidy.	Powys Eco-School Cluster Meeting Minutes.

## 8. Finance.

### 8.1. Expenditure & Income.

The November 2023 Schedule of Payments (As attached) was unanimously approved and signed.

Proposed: Cllr: M.H. Jones. Seconded: Cllr: T.H. Thomas.

#### Payment Summary

No	Payment Ref	Invoice no.	Details	Amt Paid
71	71Nov23P	11761	Camo Community Centre - Room Hire	£45.00
78	78Nov23P	20169770	Powys County Council (Revenue Section) 2023. RoSPA Playground Inspection	£72.00
74	74Nov23P	251	DT Ground Maintenance - Additional Cut of Football Pitch	£75.00
76	76Nov23P	74719436	Opus Energy Ltd - Convenience Electric October/November 2023	£217.16

73	73Nov23P	52	Carl Jones - Convenience Cleaning October 2023	£173.34
72	72Nov23P		Alan Humphreys - October Salary & Back Pay	£587.27
77	77Novc23P	808634	Information Commissioners Office - Annual Registration Fee for Camera	£35.00
79	79Nov23P	66	Jones - War Memorial. Cleaning & re-painting	£1,200.00
75	75Nov23P		HMRC (PAYE/NI) - Clerks Tax October 2023	£146.60
Total				£2,551.37

## 8.2. Account Summary after Approval of Income & Expenditure.

Account	Balance 01.11.2023	Total	For Approval at		Projected Balance 30.11.2023
			November Meeting		
			Expenditure	Income	
Precept	£10,080.65	£33,884.57	£2,551.37	£465.00	£7,994.28
Cemetery	£8,775.90		£0.00	£0.00	£8,775.90
Interest	£15,028.02		£0.00	£17.31	£15,045.33
			Total		£31,815.51

## 8.3. National Association of Local Council's Pay Award – 2023/2024.

8.3.1. Details have been received that showed that the Clerk's Salary (based on Level 6) was now £12.42 an hour (from £11.42). The agreement with the between the Council and the Clerk was that the Clerk's salary should be based on the NALC rates of pay.

8.3.2. A motion to increase the Clerk's Salary in-line with the NALC Agreement was unanimously approved. This should be effective from November's meeting backdated to April 2023.

Proposed: Cllr: M.H. Jones.      Seconded: Cllr: T.H. Thomas.

## 8.4. Section 137 Expenditure Limit for 2024-25

8.4.1. The Clerk brought the Meetings attention to the Section 137 Expenditure limits for 2024/2025. This sets the sum the Council the limits the amount of expenditure the Council can spend on items it has no direct responsibility for.

## 8.5. Applications for Funding.

8.5.1. Wales Air Ambulance. It was not possible to consider grant funding.

## 9. Matters for Discussion.

### 9.1. *Matters Raised by Councillors.*

9.1.2. Cllr. T.H. Thomas. Closure of the A470 at Talerddig.

9.1.2.1. Councillors agreed with the comments made by Cllr. T.H. Thomas that a letter should be sent to the Welsh Government Transport Minister expressing the Council's concerns regarding the way the road slippage had been managed and the considerable impact the closure had had on local businesses and the ability for children to attend school in Machynlleth.

9.1.2.2. The overall conclusion was that management of the closure had been shambolic and that the Trunk Road Authority had been negligent in not addressing the problem earlier, given the initial problem had occurred some 3 years previous.

9.1.3. Salt Piles

9.1.3.1. Cllr T.H. Thomas asked the Clerk to see when the salt piles around Carno would be replenished.

9.2. Date of the Next Meeting.

9.2.1. Because of the unavailability of the Clerk for a meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> December, Councillors agreed that the December 2023 Meeting would be on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 7.30pm in the Cledan Room, Canolfan Gymdeithasol Carno Community Centre.

The Chairperson closed the Meeting at 8.30pm.

Signed:

*Alan Humphreys*

Alan Humphreys  
Clerk to Cyngor Cymuned Carno Community  
Council.

Signed as a true and accurate record of the Meeting of Cyngor Cymuned Carno Community Council held in the Cledan Room, Canolfan Gymdeithasol Carno Community Centre at 7.30pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023

Signed:

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Cllr. J.C. Barnes  
Chairperson, Cyngor Cymuned Carno Community Council.

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023