

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the Meeting held 16th June 2025 at Ysceifiog Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Councillor A. Parsley: Chairman
Councillor J. I. Davies
Councillor N.M. Davies
Councillor P. Griffiths
Councillor I. Kendrick
Councillor D. Rees

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor C. Caldwell
Councillor A. Davies.
Councillor A. Rowlands
Councillor A. Weatherall

IN ATTENDANCE:

County Councillor S. Copple
Mr. A. Roberts – Clerk to the Council

66/25 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

With the absence of Chairman Councillor Ann Rowlands nominations were received for the appointment of Chairman for the current meeting.

Proposed by Cllr P. Griffiths and seconded by Cllr I. Kendrick Cllr A. Parsley was appointed as Chairman for the meeting.

67/25 ITEMS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN RELATION TO THE BUSINESS ON THE COUNCIL'S MEETING AGENDA

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

68/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr J. I. Davies declared an interest in agenda item 8.A Planning Application 000170/25.

69/25 MINUTES

Proposed by Councillor I. Kendrick and seconded by Councillor J. I. Davies the minutes of the meeting held the 19TH May 2025 were approved as a correct record.

70/25 STREETSCENE SERVICES

A) Condition of highway road surface – Babell - Gorsedd Road

The Clerk reported that a local resident had written to the Council regarding condition of the above road. The issue had been reported to the Highway Authority who had confirmed that the road surface repairs were on the current works schedule.

B) Condition of Highway Road Surface –Pant -y- Grose - Pentre Halkyn

Cllr P. Griffiths reported that the above road surface from the cattle grid to Pentre Halkyn, was in a poor condition of repair.

C) Roadside Verge Grass Cutting

Cllr D. Rees reported that the highway verge cutting had commenced in the area. The operatives were also cutting vegetation impeding visibility at road junctions which was an improvement.

D) Recycling Collection Services

Cllr N. Davies reported that the pink bag collection services were failing local residents. Cllr S. Coppel advised that this matter had been raised with the Services Manager and that actions were being undertaken to improve the collections. The situation had not been helped by the services moving vehicle drivers onto different collection rounds.

71/25 PROCUREMENT OF STREET LIGHTING ENERGY VIA WELSH GOVERNMENT.

Further to minute No 56/25. the Clerk advised no response had been received from Welsh Government Procurement Department. Cllr P. Griffiths reported that issues had been raised at the recent of meeting of One Voice Wales area committee meeting and that several Councils were experiencing the same predicament.

72/25 PUBLIC BUS SERVICES No 14 SERVING MOLD TO LIXWM

Further to minute No 57/25 Cllr S. Copple reported that a response had been received from the Transport Officer, Flintshire County Council.

The Officer advised that following further discussion with the bus company owner it had been agreed that a request stop to the Crown Inn, would operate from the 23rd June for the services 10.45 and 13.15 from Mold Bus Station. The Chairman thanked Cllr S. Copple for his intervention on this matter. The Clerk advised that he display the information on the public notice boards.

73/25 HALKYN MOUNTAIN JOINT CONSULTATIVE BOARD (JCB)

Further to minute no. 58/25 the Clerk reported that a response had been received from Mr T. Woodall: advising that following consultation with former members of the JCB the majority response was to close the banking account. This would take effect from the 1st August 2025 unless officials were appointed to the JCB for its resurrection.

It was agreed that a request be made to Grosvenor Estates Department to consider being the Interim lead for the JCB for a period of twelve months and appointment of officials.

74/25 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- A) One Voice Wales Wrexham and Flintshire Area Committee Meetings**
Minute of meeting to be held the 20th May 2025, and notice of meeting to be held 24th June 2025 Cllr P. Griffiths advised that he would be in attendance.
- B) Flintshire County Council – Community Review – Local Government Elections 2027.**
Resolved :
That the Council had no request for any amendment to be made to the current system.
- C) Police Crime Commissioner – Review of how CCTV is used to combat crime between North Wales Police and the Six Local Authorities.**
- D) National Grid – Notice of works to refurbish overhead pylon lines from Connah's Quay – Bodelwyddan.**

75/25 UPGRADING OF CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA LIXWM

Cllr I. Kendrick reported that a further meeting had been arranged for July with the School Council of Lixwm C. P. School and an Officer from Flintshire County Council to discuss proposed upgrading of the play area. She enquired if the Council would consider providing adult fitness equipment as part of the upgrading scheme. It was agreed that a request be made to Flintshire County Council for further information.

76/25 PLANNING

A) FUL/000170/25

Roofing Over Two Existing Yard Surfaces That Cattle Access.
Prysau Farm, Babel, Holywell, CH8 8PY

RESOLVED:

That the Council had no objections to the application.

77/25 REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

A) One Voice Wales Area Committee Meeting 20th May 2025

Cllr P. Griffiths reported on the meeting he had attended. A number of tool-kits were being introduced to assist councils as well as a revamping of the website.

B) County Councillor Report

Councillor S. Copple provided a report of the County Council appointment of Committee Chairpersons.

Following many meetings with Housing Managers the improvement and drainage works had been completed to the properties at Bryn Tirion, Lixwm.

78/25 PROVISION OF COUNCIL WEBSITE.

Further to minute No 63/25 the Clerk reported that he had attended a meeting with Mr P. Jones, Holywell Computers, and representatives from NetWise Ltd. The purpose of the meeting was to examine the operating and administration of the site. Following the meeting he had reported his findings to the Chairman and Vice Chairman advising that the preferred company would be NetWise Ltd.

Cllr A. Parsley advised that he had been trialling the site and the functionality and contents provided all the requirements needed for the Council to be compliant to current regulations. He further advised that he had designed a logo for the Council that would be displayed on the site a copy of which had been provided to members. The emblem represented an Alder leaf which was the translation of Ysceifiog to English.

Cllr D. Rees requested that a vote of thanks be recorded for the time Cllr A. Parsley and the Clerk had given to this project.

RESOLVED:

That NetWise Ltd be appointed as the website provider and the logo be adopted by the Council.

79/25 INTERNAL AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 AND ANNUAL RETURN

J. D. H. Business Services the Council internal appointed auditor had advised the Council that the audit of accounts had been completed and approved. The Clerk reported two recommendations had been made and that both had been implemented.

RESOLVED:

That the audit report was received and the Annual Return for fiscal year 24/25 was approved and signed by the Chairman.

80/25 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

1441) Caerwys Agricultural Show 2025 Grant	£200.00
1442) H.M. Revenue & Customs – PAYE (July)	£279.81
1443) A. Roberts Clerk's Salary & Establishment Allowance	£997.01
1444) JDH. Business Services Ltd – Internal Audit Fees	£472.80
1445) Treetops Environmental – Grass Cutting	£100.00
BACS) A. Roberts Microsoft Fees (May)	£61.32
BACS) NetWise Ltd - Website Setup and Hosting Fees	£928.80
BACS) Canon Uk Ltd Copy Fees	£33.64

81/25 DURATION OF THE MEETING

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 8.55pm. The Chairman advised that the next meeting would be held on Monday 21st July 2025, at Berthen Chapel, Lixwm, for 7.30pm.

CHAIRMAN _____