

Trefeglwys Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on 24th February 2026

Date: 24th February 2026 **Time:** 7.00pm

Location: Trefeglwys Memorial Hall

Attendees: Cllr Derrick Pugh, Cllr Beryl Crone, Cllr Marion Brench, Cllr Ffloyd Lewis, Cllr Stuart Manson, Cllr Joanna Manson, Cllr David Ashton, County Councillor: Gary Mitchell.

Members of the public: Two

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Edward Pugh
2. **Declarations of interest:** None
3. **Acceptance of the minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2026:** Cllrs discussed 4h regarding WindFarm TOR, it was felt an amendment should be made to state new suggested TOR should be ignored . Minutes will be agreed by all members and signed by the Chair at March meeting.
4. **Welcome new Clerk** – Cllrs and Clerk introduced themselves.
5. **Matters arising**
 - a.**Donation Requests**
 1. Lisa Steed – Cllrs discussed this application. Residents have raised the following concerns – Current trails need some improvements and maintenance ie riverside bank is eroded and stiles damaged, don't need more trails, unhappy that organisation requesting funds is from outside the direct area, who will benefit, strangers on land/safety, litter, dog waste, need for more bins along routes, request for public meeting to discuss. Cllrs have concerns regarding livestock and damage to property. Applicant is part of Rights of Way Improvement Team and would like to ensure trails are well maintained and users stay on paths rather than straying onto private land. DP suggested noticeboard map detailing trails at the locations and fingerpost signage with QR codes along routes and will obtain prices. Whilst Cllrs were supportive of the project in general they felt LS should put together business case with one trail and landowner on board with full costs of maintenance and advertising, to include Countryside Code then CC will reconsider. Clerk to respond
 - b.**Council Insurance.** – No additional premium to pay following increase in precept
 - c.**Position of Vice Chair** – Cllr David Ashton
 - d.**Standing Orders** – Clerk to provide list of differences from current to most recent
 - e.**Website** – Updated to reflect new Clerks details. Register of attendance needs updating - BC to provide. Remove Zoar Chapel. Consideration was given as to whether to add previous Clerk's resignation letter to website, Cllrs agreed not to do this.

6. New Matters

- a) **Street Light Factory Cottages** – PCC agreed earlier in the year to provide LED street lighting prior to winter, confirmed in writing. This has not been actioned. Clerk to chase, DP to provide lamppost number.
- b) **Laptop** – Quotation provided £410, following review of accounts Cllrs agreed to purchase a new laptop. Proposer SM, Seconder JM

- c) **GreenGen Consultation** – 11th Feb to 11th March, information is on website. Open meeting in Newtown planned.

7. Correspondence: All correspondence previously circulated to Cllrs.

- a) Email regarding Trefelglwys Bus Service requesting service is well publicised and bus stop signs/shelters are added. Clerk to write to Powys and request both. BC has printed and laminated signs and will add them to local key locations. Suggestion to write to Celtic Travel to request pick up at garage and school, following written consent from school. MOP suggested three stops. Clerk to respond to resident.
- b) Invitation to OVW Awards – 1st July Royal Welsh Showground. DP to attend.
Proposed BC, Seconded DA

8. Planning: All members agreed to approve the planning application Ref. 26/0043/FUL – proposed by SM, seconded by FL.

9. Financial:

Balances as of 31st January 2026

Balance of current account:£6,966.16

Balance of wind farm account:£14,644.56

Debits: £370.99 comprising - PCQ £12.95, Clerk's salary for Feb £260.84, Clerk Working from Home £26, Bank Charge £6, HMRC £65.20

Receipts: None

10. Reports: received verbally.

- a) OVW – minutes distributed to Cllrs by DP
- b) Memorial Hall – BC concern that Village Halls (Trefeglwys and Staylitttle) have not completed forms for grants. Clerk to contact both organisations requesting form is completed.
- c) School Governor – Numbers are increasing due to the closure of Llandinam School. Budget and staffing challenges exist for all schools. Learning Walks planned. Preparing for next inspection (date unknown). Llanidloes High School oversubscribed.

11. Councillor Comments and items for next agenda:

SM – Should adopt latest Financial Regulations. - Agenda

BC – To provide OVW login.

BC – application Llawryglyn Donation Request - Agenda

GM - Senedd Elections – Polling Station Trefeglwys - Agenda

DA – To booked training. Clerk to provide dates.

DP - Confirmed will not stand as Chair in May.

Meeting closed at 21.13

Date and time of next meeting: 24th March 2026 at 7pm in Trefeglwys Memorial Hall