

EGLWYSCUMMIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING 3rd February 2026

Meeting held at the Red Roses Community Centre: 7.35pm - 8.25pm

1. **Present:** Cllrs C. Mitchell (chair), H. Owen, A Morris, J. James, S. Beynon, S. Wilson, County Cllr J Tremlett, and the Clerk.
2. **Apologies:** There were apologies received from Cllr V. Thomas.
3. **Declarations of personal interest.** Cllr Mitchell declared an interest in one application for the windfarm grant.
4. **Questions** from members of the public. None had been raised and no members of the public were present.
5. **To sign as correct the minutes** of the Council meeting held on 6th January 2026. They were agreed as correct by those present, so were duly signed.
6. **County Councillor's report.** Cllr Tremlett stated that the Welsh Government settlement for 2026-27 for Carmarthenshire was below the amount they needed, so there would be yet more efficiency savings and cuts. She had passed on the complaints received previously about blocked drains and ditches – she would chase up again on the Marros concerns.

7. Matters considered:

Grass cutting contract. The Clerk had drafted and circulated a document highlighting aspects of the tender / contract to be discussed and agreed by Council. These were gone through and agreed. The Clerk would produce and publicise the grass cutting tender widely, with a closing date of 28th February for return.

Windfarm grant applications. Three applications had been received. All were discussed and were awarded some funding. The Clerk would contact each group accordingly, and cheques would be sent to them.

- 8 **Significant correspondence** received or sent and Clerk's report. The Clerk updated the meeting on activity during the last month. The roadside ditches at Marros allegedly had been cleared, but no full scale clearance of the clogged ditches done, which was what was needed. She also reported that two complaints to Lloyds Bank had been resolved in favour of the Council - £75.00 and £100.00 had been received as apology payments.

9 Planning Consultations

No planning applications had been received for consideration.

Nothing further been heard about the potential extension to the caravan park at Red Roses Retreat – the pre-application consultation had closed on 16th January.

10 Finance.

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| Current financial position: | Treasurer's Account | was £3875.18 | now £5444.89 |
| | Windfarm account | was £2156.00 | now £2151.75 |
| | Reserve account | was £6797.68 | now £6801.14 |

(figures are for 29th December and 27th January)

Income since last meeting:

Interest into reserve account £3.46 January.

Precept was received at very end of December 2025 - £2166.67

£100 apology payment from Lloyds Bank.

£75.00 apology payment from Lloyds Bank.

Expenditure incurred since last meeting:

Clerk salary and expenses

HMRC payment

ICO annual direct debit - £47.00

Any other payments:

The Windfarm donations as agreed earlier in the meeting:

Eglwys Gymin Church - £500.00 towards the lychgate and £500 towards the electrical work

Ciffig church - £500.00 towards general repairs

Eglwyscummin Community Association - £500.00 towards a tea urn, curtains and a gazebo.

11 Councillors' reports for information, and matters for the next meeting.

A query was raised about whether the old road between Red Roses and Llanddowror was on a gritting route. The Clerk would investigate and report back.

Concern was raised about the lack of lighting at the A477 Red Roses junction. Unfortunately SWTRA had previously stated it was not possible to install this.

A query was raised about a static caravan that had recently been located in the area. The Clerk would query this with CCC Planning.

12 Date of next meeting – 3rd March 2026

There being no other business to consider, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25pm.