**Cyngor Cymuned Ysgubor y Coed Community Council**

**Minutes of the meeting held on 12th March 2025**

**2024/25. Present:** Councillor Thomas (in the chair), Swanson, Goodman, Griffiths, Toland, Stevenson, Mason, & Davies. Dave Anning RSPB. The clerk was in attendance.

**54. Apologies:** None.

**55. Minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes of the meeting held on 08th January 2025 were accepted and signed. Proposed Councillor Mason. Seconded Councillor Griffiths.

**56. Declaration of interest:** None.

**57. Matters arising:**

*i.* *A487*. Council noted email received by Councillor Swanson on 03/03/2025 from George Lawton, NMWTRA, confirming that the vegetation clearance works have been carried out at the traffic lights on the A487 by Hen Hafod bridge, which will allow an assessment of necessary works this financial year. Depending on the findings, NMWTRA will look to secure the funding for the work, from Welsh Government, next financial year.

Council noted letter received from Elin Jones AM, dated 24/02/2025 re: Introduction of a 30mph Speed Limit for the A487 via Eglwys Fach and Ffwrnais.

Councillor Stevenson reported that the 20mph speed limit petition is on-going with the Petitions Committee as they are still awaiting a response from Ken Skates AM.

*ii. Caravan at Dyfi Furnace Car Park.* Dave Anning, RSPB noted that responsibility for caravan removal is with CADW. He has been advised that CADW have initiated proceedings with a Cardiff solicitor.

*iii. The Woodland.* Councillor Thomas reported valuation was completed by local auctioneer Aled Ellis in January 2025 and he is awaiting the report. Dave Anning, RSPB confirmed that RSPB have also had a valuation completed and he awaits that report.

*iv.* *Seat by Dyfi Furnace.* The clerk reported that a bench has been purchased and is to be put in place in the coming weeks.

*v. Wifi at The Iron Room.* The clerk reported that the Iron Room Board of Trustees hope to have the Wifi installation completed in the coming weeks.

*vi. Furnace Garage.* Council noted that the Furnace Garage area has been cleared in recent weeks.

*vii. RSPB Ynys-hir.* Council noted signs re: opening times at RSPB Ynys-hir, see Appendix 1. In a comprehensive report by Dave Anning, RSPB it was noted that Ynys-hir is now categorised as an important resource as a reserve with its future safe but there will less emphasis on the Visitor Centre, which will be closed on Monday and Tuesday going forward.

**58. Finance**

i. Aled Ellis – Woodland valuation

 **Action Point:** Clerk to pay. Proposed Councillor Swanson. Seconded Councillor Goodman.

ii. One Voice Wales - annual membership

 **Action Point:** Clerk to pay. Proposed Councillor Griffiths. Seconded Councillor Stevenson.

iii. Website – Yola invoice

 **Action Point:** Clerk to pay. Proposed Councillor Toland. Seconded Councillor Mason.

iv. Rent for the field – lodged 10/03/2025.

v. Iron Room – donation

 **Action Point:** Clerk to pay. Proposed Councillor Stevenson. Seconded Councillor Goodman.

vi. Graveyard upkeep- donation

 **Action Point:** Clerk to pay. Proposed Councillor Mason. Seconded Councillor Toland.

vii. Community financial assistance requests - Ysgol Talybont

 **Action Point:** Clerk to pay. Proposed Councillor Griffiths. Seconded Councillor Swanson.

viii. Annual Return for the Year ended 31st March 2024 – Auditor General’s report

**59. Correspondence and Communication:**

i. Ceredigion and Powys County Council → Regional Transport Plan Public Consultation

ii. The Democracy and Boundary Commission Cymru → Electoral Review Programme 2025

iii. Ceredigion County Council → Code of Conduct Training Town & Community Councillors - Documents

iv. Police and Crime Commissioner → Police and Crime Plan 2025 – 2029

v. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales → Annual Report 2025 to 2026

vi. Transport for Wales → Cambrian Rail Lines - Buses Replace Trains - 17th March to 2nd April

vii. Ceredigion County Council → Cynnal y Cardi 2025 February Bulletin

viii. Ceredigion County Council → Ceredigion Cost of Living Bulletin: Health and Wellbeing

ix. One Voice Wales → Postponing the Annual General Meeting

x. Ceredigion County Council → Extension to Consultation on Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance

xi. One Voice Wales → One Voice Wales and Planning Aid Wales Joint Event 27 March

xii. One Voice Wales → Green GEN Tywi Teifi Consultation Launched

xiii. One Voice Wales → Senedd Report

**60. Planning:** None

**61. Other Items of Interest**

*i.* Council noted the ‘NO Horse Riding’ signs on the lower path on the Foel have been removed.

**Action Point:** Clerk to notify Ceredigion County Council and request replacements.

ii. Councillor Griffiths noted the track to the station is in very poor condition.

 **Action Point:** Clerk to notify Network Rail / Transport for Wales and request repair.

iii. Councillor Stevenson noted Footpath 4/33 is in need of maintenance work.

**Action Point:** Clerk to notify Ceredigion County Council and request repair.

iv. The clerk noted email received via Clic from Ceredigion County Council, Highways and Environmental Services, re: condition of U1043.

v. Council noted the sad passing of Mr John Griffiths, Furnace Farm. John served as a Councillor on the Community Council for many years. The Council extend their deepest sympathy to John’s family. He will be sadly missed by all the community.

**62.** **Date of the Next Meeting:** 14 May 2025

*Meeting closed at 9:10pm*

*Appendix 1*

