APPROVED MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BODFARI COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Held on the 10th of March 2026 via TEAMS conferencing software:

Join Teams 7pm to 9pm Meeting Link:-

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Present:
Cllr Philip Barley (Chair) (PB)
Cllr Julie Burnage (JB) Via Teams
Cllr Julie Johnson (JJ)
Cllr Dan Burke (DB)
Also present:
Heather Eubank (Clerk/RFO)
Cllr Chris Evans. (CE)

1. Apologies:
None.

PB welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Declaration of interests: None.

3. Urgent Matters: Notice of items which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B (4) of LGA 1972. None.

4.To receive minutes of the meeting of 10th February 2026 and the 25th February 2026.

-Proposed as correct by: **PB** Seconded by: **JJ**

5. Matters arising from previous minutes

i. **Recreation Ground Signage.**
Actions:
Obtain a new sign to indicate pathway to Recreation ground (PB) and attach the Children Crossing and Recreation Ground sign to repaired post when weather permits – JB.
Follow up request to secure signage to Clwyd Concrete fencing - JB.
Retrieve old signage from RP – SD.

ii. **Councillor Vacancies - All.**
Ongoing.

iii. **Community Traffic Calming Measures.**
The pedestrian island on the B5429 is being installed between 27th February and 27th March 2026.
PB contacted DCC to discuss their "Policy for Community Funded Speed Indicator Devices" and ask for advice on costs and installation. No response received yet. CE asked PB to send the email to Helen White at DCC. It was resolved to monitor the effect of the new pedestrian island and the Arrive Alive van have on traffic speed and to install SID's as a future project.
Response received from the "Arrive Alive" van in Bodfari. The van is only used in the warmer months as the van is parked on grass in Bodfari.
Actions:
Send follow up email to Helen White at DCC (include CE in this email) re. "Policy for Community Funded Speed Indicator Devices" – PB.

iv. Audit Wales Response.
Bodfari Community County is now the sole trustee for Hanah Jane Smith Recreation Ground.

v. Parking at Ysgol Bodfari.

A further incident has occurred at Ysgol Bodfari. A resident's wall was damaged by a vehicle but no one reported this to the owner of the property. Councillor Evans has been made aware of this incident.

6. County Councillor's Report. Reporting problems on Denbighshire County Council's website.

ALL incidents need to be reported on Denbighshire County Council's (DCC) website to the relevant department.

It is important to gain a reference number which is issued automatically when complaints are submitted to DCC via their online website. If DCC'S response is unsatisfactory and does not provide resolution, the complaint can be escalated on residents behalf by their County Councillor who will quote the incident reference number(s) raised.

Damage to property, blocking driveways and parking on private driveways is a criminal offence so the police need to be informed when this happens along with any evidence residents have. **Please ring 101 to report these incidents and obtain a reference number**

Reporting ALL incidents is the only way to ensure DCC have an online history of the number and type of complaints about specific problems and the time frame these complaints were logged. Unfortunately emailing individual DCC employees doesn't build this history.

Councillor Evans can then escalate problems to specific DCC Councillor's once there is a history of reports about a specific problem that have been logged which haven't been resolved.

Action:

Create Facebook and website post for reporting problems on the Denbighshire County Website – he.

7. Planning and Highways:

a. Highways

i. **Goleuadau Traffig Dros Dro/ Temp Traffic Lights** A541 FROM B5429 LLANDYRNOG TO ROSE GARDEN BENDS BODFARI
Dates: 27/02/2026 - 27/03/2026
Adeiladu Ynys i Gerddwyr yn y Ffordd Gerbydau / Construction Of Pedestrian Island In Carriageway
Contact AOO 01824 708486/ OOH 07787 295769

ii. **ROAD CLOSED**.
Junction with Argoed House, Swn Yr Afon Junction with A541 to Glascoed Junction BODFARI.
Date: 23/03/2026 – 24/03/2026
Addnewyddu Polyn/ Renew Pole. GT Williams (CHAITANYA)
Contact AOO 07375 642771/ OOH 07535 685008

iii. TEMPORARY TRAFFIC LIGHTS
Outside 4 Banc Y Chwarel. A541 from B5429 Llandyrnog to Rose Garden bends Bodfari.
Date: 27/04/2026 to 29/05/2026 Gwelliannau Diogelwch ar y Ffyrdd/ Road Safety Improvements.
DCC TRAFFIC (HELEN)
AOO 01824 708486/ OOH 07787 295769

iv. TEMPORARY TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND ROAD CLOSURE
OS YR HEN YSGUBOR SARON DENBIGH LL16 4TG B5429 DRE GOCH JUNCTION TO TY GWYN – Road closure.
OS YR HEN YSGUBOR SARON DENBIGH LL16 4TG B5429 DRE GOCH JUNCTION TO A541 JUNCTION GEINAS BODFARI – Temporary traffic lights.
Date: 01/05/2026 to 01/05/2026
Gwaith BT/ BT Works SUNBELT RENTALS (DCC) BODFARI
AOO 03700 500792/ OOH 03700 500792

b. Planning. No Applications.

8. Finance

a. Financial report.

i. Unity Bank Balances at 28th February 2026:-

Unity Main Account	£7663.00
Unity Reserve Account	£4690.74
Unity Earmarked Reserves Account	£6351.89
Total	**£18705.63**

There is currently£1000 in the Earmarked Reserve towards the next DCC elections in May 2027 and a £350 donation from the Dinorben Arms to buy a new bench for Maes Y Graig.

Banks statements for all accounts sent to councillors prior to meeting.

b. Cheque/Online Payments. For approval - plus dual online authorisation at the end of the meeting.

i.	Scribe Accounting System fee February 2025	£37.20
ii.	Phillip Lloyd invoice for tree work	£3650.00
iii.	Clerks March 2026 Salary (postdated payment)	£433.64
iv.	Wales Air Ambulance donation	£200.00
v.	Vale of Clwyd MIND donation	£200.00
vi.	OVW 2026-27 Membership	£81.00
vii.	Cambrian - Tree health inspection	£144.00

- **Any starred items will be paid from Earmarked Reserves Account. All other payments are from Main Account.**

Invoices received after issue of agenda.

i.	John Roberts. Tender increase 11th July 25 to March 10th 26	£70.00
ii.	John Roberts gate latch purchase and installation	£28.70
iii.	Harold Smith PAYE qtr to 31st March 26	£42.00

c. Other Payments

i.	Unity Bank Charge Main Account February 26	£6.00
ii.	Unity Bank Charge Earmarked Reserves February 26	£6.00

d. Income. None.

RESOLVED: That the Financial Information for February 2026 be approved.

Proposed: **PB** Seconded: **JJ**

9. Village Playground and Park.

i. **Park Inspections.** Completed by PB.

ii. **Groundsman Report**. Nothing to report. Small gate latch replaced as reuested by HE**.**

iii. **Trees**

The tree work has been completed in Hannah Jane Recreation Ground.

A tree health inspection was completed on the 6th of March by arborist Peter Spencer of Cambrian Woodland Services. Peter's report was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting and stated there are no major issues of concern and the risk from the trees within the Recreation Ground is "as low as it can be expected to be".

The next health check is due in March 2028 and has been added to BCC's diarised action plan.

10. Important Correspondence.

Unity Bank Charges.

The charge for the main account and the Earmarked Reserve Account will increase from £6 to £7 per month from the 1st of February 2026. The need for two accounts to be discussed with the Events Committee.

11. Projects for 2025 update.

i. **Telephone box**.

John Roberts has painted the outside of the telephone box. Further work needed:-

- The Perspex windows to be replaced.
- Inside of telephone box to be painted.
- Create shelving for book swap area.
- Install a board with history of area, map of walking trails (Offa's Dyke) etc.

Actions:

Gain quotes for Perspex windows from Denbigh Plastics, Anglian and DBP windows – HE.

Liase with Ysgol Bodfari re: pictures for the windows – SD.

Contact Chloe Diamond to work with children to create pictures for windows – JB.

Look at information displayed in other converted telephone boxes for ideas – HE.

ii. **Boules Court. No Action until spring.**

Two young village residents approached PB about the possibility of creating a bike park in the recreation ground. CE stated this had been achieved recently in the area.

Actions:

Email details of contacts for advice on this type of installation to PB and HE – CE.

Check if this would affect BCC insurance – HE.

iii. **Bench for Maes y Graig.**

Catherine Jones Black from DCC land registry advised Grwp Cynefin own the land where BCC requested the Maes Y Graig road sign to be positioned. Catherine stated she would escalate the issue to Michael Bennion for him to supply a way forward.

Three quotes have been received for the work required to create a seating area at Maes Y Graig:

- Knockdown and rebuild the surrounding wall with breeze block and K render.
- Dig up current-concrete and replace with new concrete slab reinforced with steel.
- Move noticeboard and fasten to the new wall.
- Secure new wooden bench(es) to concrete slab.

The quotes were not discussed at February's meeting and will be added to March Agenda.

Actions:

Letter to resident's local to site for approval of plan for sitting area – PB.

Follow up repositioning of Maes y Graig road sign – HE.

12. Charity Donations.

The Air Ambulance service was involved in the care of injured motorists during the serious road traffic incident that occurred in Bodfari in April 2025. Also, because of the information received in Councillor Evans report this month it was resolved that BCC's charity donations for 2025-26 period will be £200 to the Vale of Clwyd branch of MIND and £200 to the local Air Ambulance.

Proposed: **PB** Seconded: **JJ**

Action:

Send payments via online banking – HE.

13. Final 2026-2027 budget .

The final 2026-2027 budget document was created from the figures calculated for the 2026-2027 Precept request and was circulated prior to the meeting. It was resolved that the Final 2026-2027 Budget be approved.

Proposed: **PB** Seconded: **JB**

14. Payment of Clerks remaining 2025-2026 extra hours.

HE asked that the remaining 25 extra hours worked in 2025-2026 to set up BCC's new online accounting system and online banking be paid with February 2026 salary. A copy of the document reporting when and why the hours were worked was sent to PB. It was agreed that 25 hours extra hours submitted by the HE would be accepted and paid by BCC.

Action:

Email Harold Smith (PAYE provider) to inform them to add 25 hours to February's salary. Include Chair (PB) and another Councillor signatory in the email for approval - HE

Proposed: **PB** Seconded: **JB**

Next Meeting 7pm to 9pm on Tuesday the 10th of March 2026 at The Dinorben Arms (Private Dining Room) Bodfari.

Appendix 1.

Cyng/Cllr Robert Chris Evans Reoprt for 10th February 26 Meeting

Tenants move into new energy-efficient homes in Denbigh

Tenants have now moved into their new homes at the Llwyn Eirin development in Denbigh, following the completion of 22 high-quality, energy-efficient council houses.

All 22 homes have been successfully allocated, with a strong emphasis on supporting local people, helping to ensure affordable housing is provided for local communities.

New tenants have praised both the homes and the support they received during the allocation process.







"The housing officer has been very supportive in helping us. These properties are amazing and are beautiful inside."

Another added: "Thank you for our beautiful new home. We are going to benefit so much. The long wait was worth it and being kept informed along the way as well."

A community event is currently being planned to give new residents the opportunity to meet one another and begin building connections.

The Llwyn Eirin homes have been built to the highly energy-efficient Passivhaus standard, offering excellent insulation and significantly reduced energy use. The properties are fitted with solar panels and ground-source heat pumps, meaning they do not require a gas supply. This will help lower household energy bills, reduce carbon emissions and support the Council's commitment to tackling climate change.

The development has been supported by Welsh Government funding through its Innovative Housing Programme, enabling Denbighshire County Council to work with Creating Enterprise on this modern and sustainable approach to housebuilding.

Councillor Rhys Thomas, Lead Member for Housing and Communities, said:

"It's fantastic to see tenants moving into these new homes at Llwyn Eirin. This development shows our commitment to providing high-quality, affordable housing for local people while also delivering homes

that are fit for the future. These energy-efficient properties will help residents keep energy costs down while supporting our wider environmental ambitions."



The Llwyn Eirin development forms part of Denbighshire County Council's Affordable Housing Programme, which is delivering new council homes across the county to meet local need.

Former North Wales Hospital information event



The council are encouraging Denbigh residents to attend one of two information events to discuss impending demolition work on site which is required prior to any re-development works can start.
A Section 80 Notice has been issued that must be supplied to the council at least six weeks before demolition can begin. Jones Bros, who have been contracted by the council to carry out the demolition works, and the council are hosting an information event to provide information about the demolition works.
Attendees at the event will also have the opportunity to discuss the wider scheme with representatives from Jones Bros, Denbighshire County Council and Ambition North Wales.

The event details are below:
Eirianfa community centre, Denbigh.
Tuesday, 3 February between 1:30pm-4:30pm and **Wednesday, 4 February** between 9:30am-12:30pm.

A further evening engagement session will be arranged for late February.
Many Thanks

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