

LLANFAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Council Meeting held at
St Hilary Village Hall
On Thursday, 2nd April, 2026 at 7.00pm.

Present: Chairperson: Councillor Liz Loch.
Councillors : Steph Bonnar, Ray Simkiss and Jim Teague.

In Attendance: Jackie Griffin, Clerk.

In grateful gratitude and sadness to past Councillors David Ilsley and Geoff Simpson, the Council held a minutes silence.

Item 1: Apologies for Absence.
Councillors Mary Llewellyn and Tim McIlveen.

Item 2: Declarations of Interest.
None.

Item 3: Community Police Matters.
No report. Clerk to contact PCSO Davies for updates.

Item 4: To consider and approve the minutes of the Meeting held 5th March 2026.
Proposed by Councillor Teague, seconded by Councillor Simkiss and **resolved** that the minutes of the Meeting held on 5th March 2026 be approved.
Councillor Loch signed the minutes.

Item 5: Matters arising from the Minutes, which are not included in this Agenda.
5.1 Item 13.3 – Concern expressed regarding the condition of the trees close to ‘Howe Mill’. Photographs to be taken and forwarded to the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

Item 6: Chairperson’s Report.
Councillor Loch thanked the Clerk for her work during the past Council year.

Item 7: Vale of Glamorgan Councillor’s Report.
No report.

Item 8: Clerk’s Report
8.1 **Finances.**
Bank balance was noted at **£4,346.46** (Current Account £2,381.77 and Business Reserve Account £1,964.69).

Payments made since last meeting are:
Clerk’s Salary (March) - £199.48;
HMRC Tax (March) - £49.80;
Petty Cash for year ended 31st March 2026 - £48.90;
One Voice Wales (Annual Subscription) - £117.00;

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Llanfair Primary School (for hire of room for meetings) - £180.00 (*Not yet presented at the Bank*);

Llanfair Primary School (grant payment for trim trail) - £1,000.00 (*Not yet presented at the Bank*);

Therefore true balance of current account is £1,149.77

Total Bank Balance £3,166.46.

Payments due to be made are:

Clerk's Salary (April) - £199.48;

HMRC Tax (April) - £49.80;

J Griffin, Clerk (Reimbursement of Zoom fees January to March 2026) - £50.37;

St Hilary Village Hall (Hire of the hall for this meeting) - £45.00.

Proposed by Councillor Loch, seconded by Councillor Bonnar and **resolved** that all payments due be made.

Receipts: None

Item 9: To report on Highway Issues.

9.1 It was reported that a van had overturned on the road from St Hilary village to the St Athan Road resulting in the road being closed for several hours.

9.2 The street light between the A48 and St Hilary Village has been removed, leaving the lamp post in situ.

9.3 Thanks to be forwarded to the Highways Department for the road improvement in front of St Hilary Village Hall.

9.4 The 'knocked down' wall opposite the Mill in Llandough has not been repaired and the Vale Council does not agree that it is their wall. The Community Council disputes this as it is on the roadside verge and the land falls away sharply on the other side of the wall. Councillor Simkiss to send photographs to the Clerk for forwarding to Highways disputing their stance.

Item 10: To discuss the Vale of Glamorgan Community Councils Boundary Changes.

Councillor Loch reported that she had been contacted by the Chair of Llanmaes Community Council and invited to attend a virtual meeting with him and the Chair of Llandow Community Council in order to start discussions on the boundary change following the next Election in May 2027. It was agreed to start communication between the Councils with representatives from each Council though not including the Clerks at this early stage.

Item 11: To give any update on the appointment of a Minority Authority Representative (MAR) onto the Governing Body of Llanfair Primary School.

The Clerk had contacted the Vale Council for any update but was advised that the position is still vacant.

Item 12: Reports of Representatives.

11.1 Councillor Loch reported that the next local committee meeting of One Voice Wales is to be held on 27th April.

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11.2 Councillor Loch agreed to attend the next meeting of the Rural Western Vale Group at Cowbridge Town Hall on 15th April.

Item 13: Correspondence and Publications which do not necessarily require discussion. i.e for noting only – *previously sent out by e-mail.*

13.1 VGC (Vale of Glamorgan Council) – Business Support Newsletter 6th March 2026.

13.2 OVW (One Voice Wales) – E Bulletins 19 and 20.

13.3 VGC – Local Lettings Policies.

13.4 VGC – The County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Communities) Order 2026 relating to the Town and Community Council Boundary Review.

All items were forwarded to Councillors prior to the meeting and were noted.

Item 14: Correspondence from Residents.

None.

Item 15: Planning Matters

No planning items.

Item 16: Place, Date and Time of the next Meeting (preceded by the Annual Meeting) - Thursday, 14th May 2026, 7.00pm at Llanfair Primary School.

..... Chairman.

Date: 14th May 2026.