MINUTES of the proceedings of the Meeting of Nannerch Community Council held at Nannerch Memorial Hall on Thursday 3rd July 2025 at 7pm.

PRESENT:

Councillors H Morgan (Chair), J Costidell (Vice Chair), J Byrne and K Weston. County Councillor Andrew Parkhurst and Jeanne Penn, Clerk.

1. **Public Participation.** The Clerk confirmed that there had been no requests for remote access to the meeting.
2. **To accept apologies for absence.** Councillors G Williams and J Morgan-Millington.
3. **To record declaration of interests from members on any item to be discussed.** None
4. **To confirm and sign the Minutes of the meeting 5th June 2025.** The minutes of this meeting of Nannerch Community Council were accepted as a true and correct record and signed by the Chair.
5. **To receive updates on progress from previous Minutes:**

SmartWater signage. The Clerk was still awaiting written confirmation from FCC that the agreement between the 6 North Wales counties and North Wales Police was in place for installing such signage in accordance with regulations. The locations previously agreed with PCSO Tiff Davies would need to ensure additional pruning of hedges/branches/etc for visibility and it was **agreed** that the Clerk would contact Streetscene to arrange.

Village Information Board in the Phone Kiosk. The Chair and Councillor Williams were pursuing this outstanding matter.

Armistice commemorative structure. The Chair confirmed that the commission is progressing.

Motorists and speeding. County Councillor Parkhurst **agreed** to seek an update from Lee Shone at FCC regarding the delay in installing the speed monitoring strips.

6. **To receive police update and raise any matters.**

Crime statistics for April 2025 were NIL. May's statistics were not yet available on the portal.

Following the alleged crimes last month, PCSO Tiff Davies had met with those who had reported the incidents. PCSO Davies had provided the Clerk with information from North Wales Police regarding how to report crime or suspicious activity, and it was **agreed** that would be displayed on Nannerch P&P Facebook page and the village notice board.

7. **To receive Streetscene update and raise any matters**

An action plan had been received from Neil Hickie on 2nd July with 4 actions noted as completed relating to the school sign on Erw'r Llan, the potholes on Little Wheeler, the damaged streetlight

on Village Road and the signage on Piw Gwyn Lane. Note was made that the damaged streetlight appeared to have been removed and it was **agreed** that the Clerk would seek advice from Streetscene on this point.

Whilst some potholes had been repaired, Councillors noted their dissatisfaction on the standard of repair and felt that this needed to be brought to the attention of FCC. County Councillor Parkhurst suggested that any deep potholes should be measured and photographed. It was **agreed** that such incidents should be reported to the Clerk for collating and forwarding to Streetscene.

It was **agreed** that a further stretch of road with potholes between Bryn Golau and Sarn Mill should be reported to Streetscene via the Clerk, alongside the potential obstruction of motorists' sight caused by the overgrown grass verge on the one-way section leading off the A541.

8. Flintshire County Council Planning Matters

No planning applications had been received from FCC.

Application FUL/00329/25 had been approved on 9/6/25.

Applications FUL/000036/24 and LBC/000037/24 had been refused on 26/6/25.

Note was made of 'Prior Approval Agriculture' application AGN/000533/25 registered on 25/6/25 on FCC planning portal relating to 3 agricultural buildings on land adjacent to A541 Nannerch, CH7 5QU.

9. Financial Matters

The schedule of payments and supporting invoices for June 2025, totalling £544.04, had been reviewed and **approved** by all Councillors, and was signed off by the Chair and Vice Chair at the meeting as follows:

Payee	**£**	**Payment method**	**Power**
Clerk net salary June 25	233.60	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111/112
HMRC Clerk's PAYE June 25	58.40	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111/112
Clerk allowance and travel	27.80	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111/112
Clerk printing and stationary	14.24	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111/112
Gordon's Gardens	150.00	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111
Nannerch Memorial Hall (rental Jan to June 25)	60.00	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111
TOTAL	**544.04**		

Following review of the transactions contained in Q1 cash book, Councillors **approved** the Bank Reconciliation as at 30/6/25 as follows: Business Reserve Account £12,837.29 and Current Account £3,463.42, totalling £16,300.71.

Q1 progress against 2025/26 budget was **noted and approved** by Councillors.

Councillor Byrne was appointed to undertake an independent review of a sample of Q1 transactions. It was **agreed** that she would notify the Clerk of the information required and would report back to the next meeting in September.

Regarding the likely contribution from Nannerch Sports Club (NSC) towards applying for match funding for MUGA improvements, a definite financial commitment of £1500 could be made, with up to another £1000 later in the year through fundraising and grant applications. It was **agreed** that the Clerk should seek NSC's annual financial report submitted to their AGM last month and add this item to the agenda for a further discussion at the Community Council meeting in September.

10. Clerk's Update - Correspondence and other items.

It was **noted** that the Clerk and Vice Chair were working on making the information available on the website more user-friendly, and also to assist with accessibility by the auditors.

The draft Annual Report 2024/25 was **noted and agreed** and would be available on the website and uploaded to Nannerch P&P facebook.

A request had been received from the daughter of the late Mr Billy and the late Mrs Christine Woodhouse, long-standing residents of Nannerch, to place a small memorial plaque on the bench by the cenotaph. Following a discussion, it was noted that the bench was not listed as an asset and therefore did not belong to the Community Council. It was therefore **agreed** to suggest that the plaque could be mounted on the newly-installed wooden square planter on the junction of Village Road and Erw'r Llan, as the planter belonged to the Community Council. The Clerk would respond to the daughter accordingly.

A request had been received from a resident in a neighbouring village offering his professional services to set up weekly sports sessions for primary school-age pupils. It was **agreed** for the Clerk to forward this information to officials at Nannerch Sports Club.

11. Reports and Updates from other meetings.

County Councillor Parkhurst noted that he had circulated his FCC update newsletter via Nannerch P&P Facebook today. A full Council meeting had taken place on 2/7/25 (recording available to download) including discussions about: planning processes; procurement procedures reform for authorisation of council contracts; local democracy boundary review and consultation process.

Regarding this last point, it was noted that NCC had responded to FCC in May, by way of updating the proforma from late 2023, with no material changes apart from Community Councillor

resignations. It was therefore **agreed** that the Clerk should seek further information from FCC about this matter and to seek the overall results from town and community councils in Flintshire.

12. Village Items.

AED Checks. The Chair confirmed that the 3 defibrillators had recently been checked and remained emergency ready in accordance with the regular checking schedule.

Bulb Planting. A local resident who had been involved in the bulb planting last autumn had commented how successful the spring show of colour had been and requested that more bulbs were purchased and planted this autumn. Councillors agreed to allocate a budget of around £100 for this purpose and requested the Clerk to purchase 60kgs of bulbs including daffodils, snowdrops and crocuses in early September.

Nannerch Church. It was noted that Rev'd Daniel Stroud would be leaving the Diocese in August to take up a chaplaincy commission in the armed forces. It was **agreed** that the Clerk should send a formal note of best wishes to Rev'd Stroud on behalf of the Community Council.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 4th September 2025 at 7pm.