MINUTES of the proceedings of the Meeting of Nannerch Community Council held at Nannerch Memorial Hall on Thursday 4th June 2026 at 7pm.

PRESENT:

Councillors G Williams (Vice Chair, and Chair of this meeting), J Byrne, J Costidell and J Morgan-Millington. Jeanne Penn, Clerk and County Councillor Andrew Parkhurst.

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 Huw Morgan (Chair) and Kevin Weston.

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 14th May 2026.** The minutes of this meeting of Nannerch Community Council were accepted as a true and correct record and signed by the Vice Chair.

5. **To receive updates on progress from previous Minutes:**

Village Information Board in the phone kiosk; Armistice commemorative structure; Historic plough; Tree damage and repairs. All deferred to the next meeting in the absence of the Chair.

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

Crime statistics for April 2026: NIL.
Note was also made of the offer from PCSO Hannah Taylor to hold a 'Cuppa with a PCSO'. It was **agreed** to suggest that she held this some time after the school summer holidays, as there had recently been a police surgery in the village.

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

A report had been received from Ben Corran on 27th May with outstanding actions noted as follows: signpost replacement on Village Road by Memorial Hall; leaning tree branch above Nannerch Mill; 'Titan kerbs' request on Sarn Mill; Pothole repairs on Llandyrnog Road (Wal Goch), Ffordd y Waen and Village Road; Japanese Knotweed on Ffordd y Waen; vehicles stopping on slip road from A541.

A resident had reported that the recent street cleaning had only been done on one side of the road due to the amount of parked vehicles. The Clerk was asked to contact Streetscene to make arrangements for notification in future so that the resident could arrange for cars to be moved

8. **Flintshire County Council Planning Matters**

No planning applications had been received by FCC since the last meeting. Planning application FUL/00216/214 regarding Lollipop Cottage CH7 5RX had been refused by FCC on 21/5/26.

9. Financial Matters

The schedule of payments and supporting invoices for May 2026, totalling £808.79, had been reviewed and **approved** by all Councillors. Note was made of HMRC increase for car travel from 45 pence per mile to 55 pence per mile which Councillors **approved**. The schedule was signed off by the Vice Chair and Councillor Byrne at the meeting as follows:

Payee	**£**	**Payment method**	**Power**
Clerk net salary May 26	308.00	SO to be paid on 18/6/26	LGAct 1972 S111/112
HMRC Clerk's PAYE May 26	77.00	SO to be paid on 18/6/26	LGAct 1972 S111/112
Clerk travel May 26 (at 55p/mile)	2.20	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111/112
Clerk homeworking allowance	26.00	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111/112
Clerk printing May 26	6.49	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111/112
Gordon's Gardens May 26	37.50	BACS	LGAct 1972 S111
JDH Business Services (internal audit)	351.60	BACS	
TOTAL	**808.79**		

The 25/26 Annual Return including the internal auditor's certificate was **approved**, and signed off by the Vice Chair and the Clerk/RFO at this meeting. The notice to right to inspect the accounts (for a set period during July) would now be made available on the website and a hard copy put on the notice board.

Regarding FCC's request for expressions of interest for match funding 2026/27, and following the suggestions made by Richard Roberts from Gwella alongside the quotes, it was **agreed** to progress with replacing the see saw only, as Councillors did not consider an additional picnic bench was necessary. Whilst Mr Roberts had indicated this would likely to be in the region of £1500 to include installation, the Clerk would contact him to obtain an exact cost to NCC. Note was made that this amount had been included in the budget for the current year.

The Clerk outlined the next steps in the audit process, this being the major triennial external audit, whereby all information was required to be submitted by 8th August 2025 at the latest. The Clerk would undertake this task after the July Council meeting, as the auditor required 15 months of bank statements up to 31st June 2026, ie beyond the accounting period.

The Clerk noted that she would be meeting with DoodleIT later this month, to discuss a 'refresh' of the Community Council's website, to enable it to be more user friendly and also ensure it met with the auditor's standards. Note was made of the increased resource required for the Clerk to work on this major external audit, and it was **agreed** that she would monitor her hours and an anticipated additional 20 to 25 hours would be paid if required. The Clerk confirmed to the Chair that there were sufficient monies allocated to cover this within the staffing budget for 2026/27.

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

Subject to one minor amendment, the Annual Report for 2025/26 was **approved** by Councillors. A copy would be added to the website and also posted on Nannerch P&P.

The Council's updated Training Plan for 2026/27 was **approved** by Councillors. Note was made of various remote training sessions for Councillors organised by OVW, which could be organised by the Clerk. The Training Plan would now be uploaded to the website.

11. Reports and Updates from other meetings.

County Councillor Parkhurst reported on key developments at FCC, these being: the catholic schools consultation re-commencing; an external peer review having taken place regarding staff-councillor relationships; a number of internal audits having been undertaken. More locally, He had been pursuing residents whose black bins hadn't been collected.

13. Village Items.

AED Checks. It was noted that the 3 defibrillators remained emergency ready in accordance with the regular checking schedule.

Gardening. A resident had reported that some additional gardening duties were required during this present growing season. The Clerk noted that the gardener had been away and undertaken less gardening in the last couple of months but she would contact him to request that he prioritised the area around the war memorial as he undertook more gardening during July.

Picnic Bench repair. The Vice Chair noted the Council's thanks to Richard Moore for repairing the protruding screws on the picnic bench in the play area.

Go Safe van. A resident had enquired when the van would be in the local area. The Council would not be aware of this however, information about general areas by month was already in the public domain.

Neon Speed Sign. A resident had suggested that the Community Council explore the possibility of having a neon speed sign like the one in Lixwm, to warn speeding motorists. Councillors **agreed** that this would not be appropriate in the village in an AONB.

Noticeboard. The Chair had passed the contact details of the company onto the Clerk and asked her to pursue. Councillor Costidell stressed that this was required urgently.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 2nd July 2026 at 7pm.