



**In line with the Welsh Government's 'Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021' requirement for all 730 Town and Community Councils in Wales to electronically publish the key information and the outcome of their Council meetings within 7 days of the meeting, early, truncated and unsigned Minutes of the reformed Full Council Meeting of Draethen, Waterloo and Rudry (DWR) Community Council held at 6.00 pm on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025, are published here**

**Present:**

Cllr Lee Cecil, Cllr Rob Heaton-Jones, Cllr Zoe Hwer, Cllr Kev Ingram, Cllr Kevin Stanworth and Myra Osborn (Clerk). PCSO376 Rhiannon Collins was also in attendance

Cllr Phil Rosser requested attendance by remote access, but this was not successful.

Chair, Cllr Lee Cecil led the meeting that commenced at 6.00 pm

**A. Apologies / Introductions**

Cllr Amanda McConnell, Cllr Chris Morgan

**B. Police Update**

- PCSO376 Rhiannon Collins provided a report on recent crime and engagement in the area.
- Cllr Lee Cecil gave an update re. the car fire incident.
- Discussion took place about enhancing communication between DWR CC and the Police, PCSO Collins offered to arrange a meeting.
- No incidents involving off-roaders have been reported to the police. Cllr Zoe Hwer agreed to raise awareness on local social media about the reporting facility available.

**Declarations of Interest** None.

**C. Residents' Addresses** None.

**D. Minutes and matters arising**

The Council agreed that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025 were correct and they were duly signed by the Chair.

**E. Chair and County Members' Update**

Cllr Lee Cecil stated that the next Three Bridges meeting would be held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025. He also advised that plans for The Hollybush were progressing.

Cllrs had been advised that it was not currently possible to renew the white lines at the car park in Rudry, due to the poor state of the surface.

## **F. Clerk's Report**

- Statement of transactions presented, agreed by Cllrs.
- Audit Wales has requested Cash Book for 2023/24 and 2024/25 to date, as well as information regarding the CCTV Project. This will be provided as soon as possible.
- Cllrs had resolved to retain membership of both SLCC and OVW.
- Cllrs had resolved to agree insurance renewal.
- Cllrs discussed and resolved to donate £500 to the 2025 Machen Show.
- Request for copies of various documents – pending until time allows. • Outstanding watering invoice – waiting for a VAT invoice so payment can be made.

## **G. Current Projects**

- Bench in Waterloo – Cllr Rob Heaton-Jones is progressing contact.
- Utility Box – artwork completed; Cllr Rob Heaton-Jones commented on the positive impact it has. Invoice has been requested.
- New Defibrillator – now installed. Invoice to be provided for installation.
- Anti-social behaviour / Off Road Biking / Traffic Calming / Speed Watch – Discussion took place. Cllr Zoe Hewer to progress.
- Renewable Roadmap – This initiative is completed. Some issues raised by CCBC regarding payment. Cllr Lee Cecil liaising with CCBC and MiFi CIC.
- Bridleway and Step-over. Cllrs agreed the height is incorrect. Cllr Zoe Hewer to request the level is altered in order to make it safe for all.
- Cllrs discussed using an existing Rudry Village tree as suitable for Christmas lights. A source for power will be investigated.

**H. Planning Applications 25/0142/TPO** – Cllrs resolved to send a response of support for the application.

25/0157- noted.

## **I. Exclusion of Press and Public**

None

**The meeting closed at 7.20 pm**

Full Minutes when agreed and signed will be on the Council's website as soon as possible.

