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Minutes of the September 2025 Meeting of Llanarthne Community Council held at Llanarthne Village Hall on 09/09/2025 at 19.00.

88/2025-2026 Present.

Councillors: A Isaac (Acting Chair), N Thomas, C Pugh-Jones, E Jenkins, G Jones, R Pole.

County Cllr S Hughes.

Clerk.

Translator – H Mainwaring.

89/2025-2026 To receive apologies.

Councillors: County Cllr H Jones (Chair), Cllr A Davies MP, M Jones, H Jones.

90/2025-2026 To receive declarations of interest.

None.

91/2025-2026 Presentation by Mr Don Murray from NBGW.

Cllr A Isaac and all council members welcomed Mr. Don Murray (Head of Horticulture, Learning and Nature) at the NBGW to the meeting.

Mr. Don Murray presented the following slideshow –



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Cllr R Pole stated that as a community member, when visiting the NBGW she was more interested in visiting the vegetable area of the gardens as it was something she could reproduce at home, but the area required expanding.

County Cllr S Hughes stated that it was pleasant to hear that the NBGW wanted to include the community as a whole and invited the help of Llanarthne Community Council to inform the residents of the area as well as inviting groups from the local YFC's, Merched Y Wawr and religious sector. Mr. Don Murray stated that the NBGW were conscious that the community must be engaged and they were willing to improve communication with community residents.

Cllr G Jones enquired about boundary management. Mr. Don Murray stated that hedgerow management had been an issue due to no farm manager being present for the last 6 months. New farm manager beginning in 2 weeks and numerous areas of work to be explored including hedgerow management, tree assessments and animal welfare.

Cllr N Thomas asked if Carmarthenshire schools were being included in the NBGW's plans. Mr. Don Murray stated that a lot of work had been done to include Carmarthenshire primary, secondary and the home education area of education but there was a lot more work to be done.

Cllr A Issac thanked Mr. Don Murray for his presentation and for attending the meeting.

92/2025-2026 Opportunity for the public to address the Council on agenda items.

None.

93/2025-2026 To consider and note any policing and/or road safety concerns.

Cllr G Jones reported that information had been received regarding phase 2 of resurfacing Swansea Road on 19/12/2025 and thanked County Cllr S Hughes regarding his work on this matter.

Cllr G Jones asked the Clerk to contact Carmarthenshire County Council regarding replacing the safety barrier and salt box on the bend near Pantwgan Farm that was damaged during a previous rally. **Resolved** for the Clerk to report to the relevant department.

Cllr G Jones enquired if there was any update after the Go-Safe speeding survey. County Cllr S Hughes stated that no update had been received but he would contact the relevant department. **Resolved** to note.

Cllr A Isaac reported that the traffic lights in Penrhiwgoch had been present for months without any works been carried out and that traffic cones were being damaged daily and vehicles no longer taking notice of the changing signs. **Resolved** for Cllr A Isaac to provide the What3words location and for the Clerk to inform the relevant department at Carmarthenshire County Council.

Cllr E Jenkins reported low hanging branches at Pont Felin Gat and Capel Dewi. **Resolved** for Cllr E Jenkins to provide the What3words location and for the Clerk to inform the relevant department at Carmarthenshire County Council.

94/2025-2026 County Council Matters - County Cllr S Hughes.

None.

95/2025-2026 To Receive Chairman's Reports.

County Cllr H Jones – No report.

Cllr A Isaac expressed her congratulations to Llanarthne Village Show committee members for hosting a successful community event.

96/2025-2026 Confirmation and Signing of the Minutes of the Council Meeting 08/07/2025.

It was **resolved** to confirm the minutes for 08/07/2025. Proposed by Cllr N Thomas and seconded by Cllr E Jenkins.

97/2025-2026 Matters arising from the above minutes.

The Clerk informed Council members that all matters to **resolve** had been actioned and if correspondence had been received, a copy of the Email had been sent to each member for information.

None.

98/2025-2026 To note correspondence or to list for consideration at a forthcoming Council meeting.

(All relevant correspondence is emailed to council members at the time of receipt and only brought before the meeting if necessary or specifically requested by members or the Clerk).

None.

99/2025-2026 Planning.

No objections to the following planning application. Proposed by Cllr E Jenkins and seconded by Cllr A Isaac.

PL/09804 – Replacement agricultural building - Tycoch, Llanddarog Road, Llanarthne, Carmarthen, SA32 8AP.

100/2025-2026 Payments.

The payments below were certified in the July monthly meeting and **ratified** in the September monthly meeting. Copies of invoices sent to all members electronically prior to payment for authorization. Proposed by Cllr G Jones and seconded by Cllr A Isaac.

Method of Payment	Date	Suppliers & Details	Sum £ inc VAT
Online	18/08/2025	Carmarthenshire County Council - 900108368	364.75
Online	20/08/2025	Dynefor Tree Services – 19/08/25	125.00

101/2025-2026 To note receipts.

Carmarthenshire County Council – Precept 2.
29/08/2025 - £8643.63

102/2025-2026 To discuss bus shelter at Penrhiwgoch.

County Cllr S Hughes reported that possible locations for the bus shelter were an issue and Carmarthenshire County Council were organising a site visit to survey the locations with travel companies and all other parties involved. Cllr A Isaac to investigate who the landowner is. Vehicles exceeding the speed limit are an issue in the area. The Clerk contacts County Cllr H Jones regarding this issue. **Resolved** to note.

103/2025-2026 To discuss the Community Register.

The Clerk presented the minutes from the meeting –

Minutes of the sub-committee, Llanarthne Village Hall & Capel Dewi Village Hall Meeting held at Llanarthne Village Hall on 17/07/2025 at 19.30.

Present – County Cllr H Jones (Chair), County Cllr S Hughes, A Isaac, N Thomas, T Emmerson, D Morgan, B Liles, G James.

Clerk

Meeting – The Clerk explained to all people present what had been discussed in previous community council meetings and that as a result of storm Darragh in December 2024 it was suggest that Llanarthne Community Council, Llanarthne Village Hall and Capel Dewi Village Hall discuss a strategic plan to assist the community members when the need arises. Several suggestions were discussed, and it was decided that as both venues have access to generators, gas fire and cooking facilities, it would allow community residents to be able to access heating, hot water, hot drinks and soup. These facilities will be made available 12 hours after a power cut. Welsh Water is duty bound to provide bottled water and County Cllr Shone Hughes stated that funds may be available to assist with costs of food and hot drinks. Advertising to

be placed in community notice boards, community council website and community social media sites in October 2025. The Clerk to format a contact group for all parties involved. The Clerk contacts Welsh Water and the National Grid for a map of the area showing areas requiring assistance.

The Clerk to meet with County Cllr S Hughes to format an action plan prior to the October meeting on 14/10/2025.

104/2025-2026 To hold a forum in order for members to raise reports/questions through the Chair.

Cllr G Jones announced the following –

Remembrance Sunday Service at St. David's Church, Llanarthne – 09/11/2025 at 10.45.

Clerk to forward service booklet to Cllr G Jones and to contact Mr T R Carruthers regarding the placing of the wreath

Prostate Cymru Big Breakfast at Llanarthne Village Hall – 21/11/2025 from 08.00.

Christmas Carol Service at St. David's Church, Llanarthne – 21/12/2025 at 11.00.

105/2025-2026 In Camera 20.37.

Those who were not Community Council members, or the Clerk departed the meeting – not to return. The exclusion is due to personnel / staffing matters being discussed.

106/2025-2026 To note staff pay run July, August & September 2025.

The Clerk reported the payroll amounts verbally to all council members. It was resolved to accept the report and ratify the payment of the sums as presented.

Proposed by Cllr N Thomas and seconded by Cllr E Jenkins.

The Clerk asked council members for permission to complete the ILCA course to improve his knowledge. The cost of the course is £120.00 + VAT but the Clerk has sourced a bursary for the course therefore the cost to the council would be negligible. All council members agreed. The chair signed the bursary. **Resolved** to note.

107/2025-2026 Next Meeting.

Date of the next meeting to be held online – 14/10/2025 at 19.00.

108/2025-2026 The Meeting Finished at 20.41.

Chairman

Date
