

Coychurch Higher Community Council
Minutes of the meeting held on
8th June 2026

<u>Present:</u>		
Chairperson	Catherine Reape	CR
Vice-Chair	Tracy Boxall	TB
Members	Dave Marchant	DM
	Stephen Bird	SB
Clerk/RFO	Morgan Davies	Clerk MD

ACTION

Start Time: 18:30			
		CR officially opened the meeting.	
1		<u>Apologies:</u> MGE JH BCBC RW	
2		<u>Minutes:</u> Minutes moved by SB, seconded by TB CR signs minutes.	<u>SB+TB</u> <u>CR</u>
3		<u>Police matters:</u> No information on recent crash near rockwool – Clerk to investigate.	
4		<u>Declarations of interest:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CR – Sports and Social Club • TB and SB – Allotments • All CHCC attendees - Welfare Hall 	
5		<u>To approve the Council's Annual Return and accounts for 25/26 and to receive the Internal Auditors report.</u>	<u>TB+SB</u>

		<p>Clerk summarises auditor report – a few minor discrepancies involving payments made to employees not matching payslips by a few pounds. However, accounting practices are seen to be generally acceptable.</p> <p>Moved to accept report and annual return by TB, seconded by SB.</p>	
6		<p><u>To review and adopt the following documents:</u></p> <p>a. <u>Standing orders</u></p> <p>Moved to accept with amendment to 5c regarding the timing of meetings by DM, seconded by SB.</p> <p>b. <u>Financial Regulations</u></p> <p>No amendments, moved to accept by TB, seconded by DM.</p> <p>c. <u>Code of Conduct</u></p> <p>Moved to accept by SB, seconded by TB.</p>	<u>DM, SB</u> <u>+ TB.</u>
7		<u>Matters arising:</u>	
	<u>7:i</u>	<u>Publicity/PR/Newsletter/Events</u>	
		Nothing arising	
	<u>7:ii</u>	<u>Traffic Speed</u>	
		Nothing arising	
		Clerk to chase up on speedbumps.	
8		<u>Millenium Site, Footpaths, Landscaping Project.</u>	
		CR – millennium site to be cut soon.	
		CCV – due in July.	

9		<p><u>Cenin</u></p> <p>CR – welsh govt acceptance examination notice.</p> <p>DM – against it, not good for the common or commoners. General public don't want the wind farm.</p> <p>CR – previously asked public if they wished to make representations to CHCC so it can be passed on.</p> <p>CR – ask public for representations again? Representations to Council by 24th June and an extraordinary meeting to be held on July 6th to formally approve the Council's response to the planning application – moved by SB, seconded by DM.</p> <p>To be printed and published on noticeboards in HYC.</p> <p>CR – extension of Cenin's solar site deadline – extend from 5yrs to 10yrs. Formally object to proposed extension based on the cumulative environmental, ecological and traffic impact if it proceeds at the same time as the wind farm and rockwool projects. Frequent heavy loads, disruption to landscape, residents etc. All agreed.</p>	<p><u>CR, SB,</u> <u>DM.</u></p>
10		<p><u>Heol y Cyw Welfare Hall</u></p> <p>Meeting Wednesday.</p> <p>JH moving forward with drainage issue.</p>	

11		<u>Correspondence and Planning:</u>	
	11:i	<u>Correspondence:</u> BCBC A. Williams email detailing that CHCC have been excluded from grant scheme. CR – HYC normally excluded. Noted with disappointed.	
	11:ii	<u>Planning:</u> Removal and replacement of existing shelter at Wern Tarw (p/26/266/FUL) – area seemingly redeveloped, adverse visual affect as to when the area was a woodland. Extensive destruction of woodland in the area and what appears to road developments, inherently changing the use of the land and thus destroying natural habitats. CR – have been bat surveys/endangered species surveys been carried out? CR – make enquiries regarding deforestation on chapel road towards Mynydd yr Gaer. P/26/287/FUL – construction of new charging plants and building at Rockwool – during construction extra 10 lorries per day, 2 new buildings. Production not disrupted. Bat surveys etc. conducted. DM – same area as the rest of the plant, overall would accept. No overall objections.	
12	12:i	<u>To receive reports from:</u> <u>Representative on school governing body –</u> TB – nothing to report.	

	12:ii	<u>Representative on the board of Conservators:</u> CR – meeting end of May – Mynydd yr Gaer meeting on June 9 th . CR – no issue with padlocked gate referenced in previous meeting – not actually padlocked shut. Not blocked.	
	12:iii	<u>Representative on One Voice Wales</u> Nothing report.	
	12:iv	<u>Representative on the town and community council forum:</u> Meeting on July 6 th .	
13		<u>Matters for the Clerk:</u> Clerk – revised budget to be discussed in July meeting’s quarterly financial review. Allowances to be paid ASAP.	
14		To consider any other item of business which the person presiding as the meeting, as of the opinion should, by reason of special circumstances, be transacted as a matter of urgency: Nothing of note.	
		Meeting closed: 8:21pm.	
		Signed:	
		Dated:	