Cyngor Cymunedol Marchwiel Community Council

'Your very Local Council'

Locum Clerk to the Council/RFO: Shaun Jones
Chairman: Cllr Mrs. Sharon Lloyd

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 6:30 pm on **Wednesday 9th September 2026** in Piercy Hall, Marchwiel.

Present: Cllrs Downes (PD); Francis (CF); Grives (KG) & Lydford (KL).

In attendance: Shaun Jones (SJ), Locum Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer,
1 Member of the Public.

Cllr Phil Marriott tendered his resignation to the Chairman on 5th August 2026. This was for family reasons. A vacancy in Piercy Ward has been declared.

In the absence of both Cllr. Sharon Lloyd & Cllr. Clare Davies members approved that Cllr. Cim Francis will Chair this meeting – Carried.

55.26/27 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE** – Cllr Sharon Lloyd (Family Commitment), Cllr Clare Davies (Car Breakdown), Cllr Nigel Lloyd (Family Commitment), Cllr. Matthew Ogden (Prior Engagement), William Price (Prior Engagement) & Cllr Megan Rathbone (Holiday)..

56.26/27 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None given.

57.26/27 **PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS** – 1 member of the public present. Council was addressed on the following matters, these were received by members.

1. Pleasing to see the work to tidy the Welcome Garden is underway. Name check for the contractor – Adam Marriott Garden Services.
2. Plans for the Christmas Lights Switch-on event (Saturday 5th December) – nothing on this month's agenda.
3. Update on a meeting – Marchwiel Railway Walk and Hafren Dyfrdwy Ecology Expert. The latter was unaware of possible development of Industrial Units by Net World Sports. Still awaiting official approval by the water company who are the landowners.
4. Expressed view that the recent donations approved by Council don't meet their approval – except for the contribution to the repair of the Church Tower clock.

58.26/27 **MINUTES** – To approve for accuracy and sign the minutes of the **Full Council** meeting held on Wednesday 8th July 2026 – **Approved by all members present.**
Matters Arising :-

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1. **26.26/27.** Facilities Committee KG & CF are happy to join. One more member needed to join to establish the minimum of 3. SJ asked if any member present would consider joining KG & CF to serve on this new committee. No one indicated interest so we will carry forward.
2. **50.26/27.** Burial Ground – Replacement Bench – not installed yet.
3. **50.26/27.** Invitation to Sam Rowland MS – email sent today.

59.26/27 **WREXHAM COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – Cllr John Pritchard emailed to advise he is being admitted to hospital on 4th September so will be unavailable to join this month's meeting. He has no matters to report to MCC on.

60.26/27 **PRIDE IN PLACE IMPACT FUND** – To receive an update

- SJ reported that some progress on gaining supporting land owner permission made, Maes Owain Glyndwr improvements have an "in principal" statement in writing dated 24th August 2026 from WCBC Environment & Technical Dept.
- The latest draft for the grant request covers:-
  - Village Gateway signs x 3
  - New benches – up to 5 – various locations
  - Festival trunking to safely light 3 trees off Berwyn Close - Christmas
  - Welcome Garden Noticeboard refurbishment
  - Planter on North side of Welcome Garden & all Pavers given a clean
  - Fence/Access improvements Maes Owain Glyndwr
  - New goal posts and Ball stop system to South of pitch & Finger Post(s)
  - Picnic Tables x 2 – adjacent to Play Area
  - Play Area Access Gate – new installation to replace current
  - Defibrillator on Changing Room Building

61.26/27 **FINANCE MATTERS** – The following point was tabled by SJ

- Present Monthly Bank Reconciliation – July & August 2026 reports and sign off. **Approved and signed by the Chairman.**

62.26/27 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

– To consider the following applications;

1. *Reference: P/2026/0494:* ***Sheridan, Wrexham Road, Marchwiel****: Variation Of Conditions 2 And 4 of Planning Permission P/2026/0383 To Amend Garage Design: To view online : Click Here.*
   – Decision – No Observations or Comments to be submitted

63.26/27 **PLANNING DECISIONS**

– **Members noted the following Planning Decision**;

1. *Reference: P/2026/0383:* ***Sheridan, Wrexham Road, Marchwiel****: Two Storey Side and Rear Extension, Single Storey Rear Extension and Erection of Replacement Garage:* ***Granted*** *:To view online : Click Here.*

64.26/27 **LOCUM CLERK REPORT – INCLUDES CORRESPONDENCE** – To receive an oral report.

- The WCBC Electoral Team were informed of the Piercy Ward member vacancy. No official request to hold an election was made and the Council have been asked to use co-option in order to fill the vacancy. SJ will publicise with a closing

date for applications to be received shortly before our October meeting. There will be an agenda item to look to fill the vacancy.

- CF suggests a Nature Reserve end of summer tidy up session on Saturday 10th October 2026. SJ will publicise.
- SJ to contact the WCBC Open Spaces team on their planned works at our Nature Reserve in Oct/Nov.
- PCSO Lisa-Marie Davies apologised that she was unavailable to attend this evening. There are two Crime Statistics reports for July and August for review. For July – 5 reported incidents and 6 for August. **All noted.**
- Appeal circular from Cerebral Palsy Cymru – decision to leave on the table.
- Lyn Cadwallader of One Voice Wales has written inviting member councils to submit a motion (for debate) for consideration at the upcoming AGM – 11th December 2026.
- KL on the theme of Christmas has some mugs to giveaway. If interested just let her know. She offered to change the bunting hung on the Welcome Garden Noticeboard from summer theme, possibly Halloween, remembrance – poppy bunting and of course Christmas ahead of the Festive Lights switch on event on Saturday 5th December 2026. **Members were supportive.**
- PD suggested enquiring of Ysgol Deiniol if their choir would like to come along and perform at the Lights switch on. KL will float the idea with her school contacts.
- SJ has invited The Base to visit Marchwiel after a level of interest was expressed after a Facebook post was published. This is a mobile youth engagement initiative. More updates to follow.
- A resident backing onto Marchwiel Nature Reserve has written concerning trees that are encroaching. SJ is to bring forward a Tree Survey Project shortly. Once issues like this are all identified a programme of works can be agreed on.

65.26/27 **COMMUNITY COMPETITION IDEAS FOR AUTUMN 2026 –** After the decision to cancel the Gardening Competition 2026 mainly due to the Summer heatwaves and water conservation, discussion on an additional competition as a substitute took place. **Members agreed to focus on the Christmas Lights Switch-On event on Saturday 5th December 2026.** This was primarily because there were a number of members unable to come along this evening and it is unfair to make decisions which might rely on certain members that are absent tonight, being involved with the organising of an event at relatively short notice.

66.26/27 **PAYMENTS – The following payments were approved:-**

Payment Number	Method of Payment	To	For	Net	VAT	Gross
BACS	Faster Pymt	AVOW	Salaries Account	2170.25	0.00	2170.25
BACS	Faster Pymt	Scribe Accounts	Subscription - August 2026	29.00	5.80	34.80
BACS	Faster Pymt	Leon Hughes	Burial Ground Maintenance	750.00	0.00	750.00
	D/D	Unity Trust Bank	Monthly Service Fee - 7/26	7.00	0.00	7.00

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Payment Number	Method of Payment	To	For	Net	VAT	Gross
BACS	Faster Pymt	Rainbow Foundation	Room Hire - 07/26	10.00	0.00	10.00
	D/D	Ecotricity	July Unmetered Supply	91.34	4.57	95.91
Card	CC	HP	July Printing	5.41	1.08	6.49
BACS	Faster Pymt	Wrexham CBC	Street Light - 2 x Light Columns	3540.18	708.04	4248.22
Card	CC	Giffgaff	Mobile - SIM Only - 18mth	6.67	1.33	8.00
BACS	Faster Pymt	Adam Marriott Gardens	Welcome Garden Maintenance	50.00	0.00	50.00
BACS	Faster Pymt	AVOW	Salaries Account	1880.45	0.00	1880.45
BACS	Faster Pymt	Scribe Accounts	Subscription - September 2026	29.00	5.80	34.80
BACS	Faster Pymt	Leon Hughes	Burial Ground Maintenance	650.00	0.00	650.00
	D/D	Unity Trust Bank	Monthly Service Fee - 8/26	7.00	0.00	7.00
Card	CC	Giffgaff	Mobile - SIM Only - 18mth	6.67	1.33	8.00
Card	CC	HP	August Printing	5.41	1.08	6.49
	D/D	Ecotricity	August Unmetered Supply	112.82	5.64	118.46
BACS	Faster Pymt	Wrexham CBC	Street Light SLA - Q1	640.15	128.03	768.18
BACS	Faster Pymt	The Rainbow Foundation	Grant - Crockery Café Pilot	160.00	0.00	160.00
BACS	Faster Pymt	Marchwiel Saints	Grant - New footballs	100.00	0.00	100.00

67.26/27 **TO PRESENT ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE MEETING AGENDA (FULL COUNCIL OR RESPECTIVE COMMITTEE)** – Members are invited to propose.

- Outstanding from recent meetings: Village Signs & Burial Ground records to review.
- Training Courses – in person, look at scheduling a series of sessions.
- Membership of the new Facilities Committee needs to have a minimum of 3.
- Look at improving the kerb appeal at the bottom of Station Road.
- Keep in mind the planned works at Nature Reserve – Enfys Ecology and WCBC Open Spaces Team – scheduled for Oct/Nov 2026.
- Look at engaging an Arboricultural Expert to inspect trees at Marchwiel Burial Ground and produce a Tree Condition Report.

The meeting closed at 8:45pm

Signed:..... Date:.....