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HENLLYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MONDAY 12th MAY 2025 at 6.00 pm MINUTES

1. In attendance

Cllr's Waters , Webb , Smith-Higgins , Roberts , Burnett , Thomas
Clerk
Apologies
Cllr Lewis

2. Cllr Webb was elected Chair

3. Cllr Roberts was elected Vice Chair

4. No Declarations of Interest

5. Agreed Minutes of 2024 AGM

6. No Matters Arising

7. Retiring Chair's Report

The past year has again been busy.

Our policy of working collaboratively with local groups is reaping rewards for the residents of Henllys:

- Friends of Henllys LNR have developed a more efficient working relationship with officers at TCBC because of HCC sponsored meetings and grants

- Closer working relationship with Henllys Rotary resulted in a very successful Henllys village fete and dog show last summer. It was well attended and had the most stalls in current history.
- Doralt park continues to be well maintained by the park ranger and enjoys a high level of children using the facilities which includes the local Church in Wales primary school.
- A closer working relationship and grant aid is helping Henllys village hall to develop into a more environmentally friendly organisation and to offer a wider range of events.
- Both Remembrance Day services in the hall and at the LNR were well attended
- The Christmas carol service was also well attended, with a very interesting and child focused service conducted by the Revd Elizabeth Kerl
- The youth club held on Tuesday evening run by TCBC officials continues to be a success. An event that we are hoping to build on in the future.
- A second defibrillator was purchased and installed by HCC in the Birch Grove car park

As to the business of the community council we continued to push officers at TCBC about how we overcome the loss of Henllys Way park and planning for the future to retain the green space.

We continue to hold TCBC to account over their services and performance and the impact this has on Henllys residents.

Grants have been given to numerous local groups to enable residents to enjoy the benefits of a wide range of activities such as choirs, the local art centre, cancer charities, air ambulance and a local hospice.

We also welcomed the new Neighbourhood Watch Group for Henllys and Ty Canol and continue to support them with their plans to cover all establishments in the area.

We were delayed in resolving the future of the football pitch in Birch Grove. Further work is required to improve Juniper Crescent Park. The Afternoon Tea group is missed and needs to be started again.

As to the community council itself. A long standing and much valued colleague Brenda Everett resigned and following an election we welcomed Brendan Roberts, who is quite rightly challenging our thinking on several issues.

Finally, I thank my colleagues who have supported me throughout the year, particularly during the last few difficult months when family demands were heavy. A

special thanks must also go to Adrian, our Clerk who has yet again supported all of us with his guidance and financial expertise .

Cllr Waters was thanked for all the work she has undertaken on behalf of the community council .

8. Agreed Bank Signatories

Cllr Smith-Higgins , Cllr Burnett, Cllr Waters and Cllr Lewis.

9. Agreed Members Allowances for 25/26 :

- Chair Allowance (£300)
- Vice-Chair Allowance (£150)
- Basic Allowance of £156 , as specified by the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales
- Consumables Allowance of £52 , as specified by the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales

10. Approved Standing Orders , Financial Regulations & Risk Assessment Schedule

11. Approved recurring monthly payments to :

GAVO , for salaried expenditure
O2 , for telephone charges
TCBC , for waste collection
HVVH , rental charges

12. Agreed members with special responsibility and of representation

Henllys Village Hall	Cllr Burnett
Emergency Officer	Cllr Burnett
Henllys CC Business Planning & Finance Working Group	All Members
Henllys CC HR Working Group	Cllr Waters, Cllr Smith-Higgins,