

HENLLYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED HENLLYS

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Meeting of Henllys Community Council held at the Village Hall on
Monday 12th January 2026 at 6pm

MINUTES

1. No Questions from the public.
2. In Attendance
Cllr's Webb , Lewis , Waters , Burnett , Thomas
Clerk
Apologies for absence.
Cllr Smith-Higgins , Roberts
3. Declaration of interests.
Cllr Waters & Burnett – Henllys Village Hall
4. Approved minutes - 8th December 2025
5. No matters arising and actions from those minutes not covered by the agenda.
6. Notes of Business Planning & Finance Working Group – no meeting in December
7. Approval of Payments of £500 or more (excluding VAT) – None
8. Income & Expenditure , year to date – Noted
9. Approval of Council Tax & Budget 26/27

The forecast for the current year & budget for next year both show deficits , £9.6k & £8k respectively .

These deficits will reduce the reserves held to £12.7k .

Given the Council's responsibilities , particularly in relation to the maintenance of the equipment in the Dorallt Park , reserves of £12.7k are inadequate & in previous years Council has aimed to keep a minimum reserve of £20k.

In addition , the budget for next year makes no provision for core funding for the Village Hall .

The budget for 26/27 shows a significant gap between income and expenditure & a line-by-line review of the budget was undertaken & this produced a revised deficit of £4.9k.

It was agreed to increase the rate of council tax by £5.05 for a Band D tax payer making the charge £38.72 per year.

In view of the costs of the Play Clubs & Summer Playscheme TCBC are to be invited to a future meeting to explain the cost of these activities & the arrangements made by other community councils .

10.Henllys Way Play Park (update from Cllr Waters)

- Further completed statements are to be delivered to TCBC

11.Health Determinants – Draft Residents Survey

The survey question suggested by TCBC was agreed & in the first instance survey forms will be available in the Village Hall & via Facebook.

A postal survey may be undertaken depending upon the response received.

Posters are to be prepared for the village hall & noticeboards.

12. Neighbourhood Watch Meetings

Neighbourhood Watch hold their meetings at the Village Hall & have accrued charges of £126 :

March £30
June £16
Aug £16
Sept £16
Nov £32
Dec £16

It was agreed to fund the £126 & advise the group a grant application will be required in relation to future financial support .

13 .Grant Applications – None

14. AOB

Cllr Waters – suggested improved communication is required in relation to attendance at external meetings

Cllr Burnett volunteered to attend future LCPC meetings

The Clerk is to e-mail all councillors in relation to the payment of Member Allowances for 25/26.

The LNR have booked HVH for 4 meetings (£28) & it was agreed that HCC fund these costs .

Cllr Burnett raised concerns about Whatsapp messages regarding a Xmas tree.

Date of next meeting – 9th February 2026

