



Thursday evening, 08 January 2026 –  
7.30pm Salem Vestry, Penmachno

## **draft minutes**

Minutes of a meeting held **on Thursday 08 January 2026** at 7.30, Salem Vestry, Penmachno

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

2. Declaration of Interest 3.

Receipt of the Minutes of the Last Meeting 4. Matters

Arising from the Previous Minutes (not otherwise on the agenda)

5. Repair the church gate 6.

Defibrillator for the Wybrnant area 7. Defibrillators

in other areas: Glasgwm, Pen-y-Ffridd Llanerchigwynion 8. Defibrillator training 9. Complaint about

property condition and street

appearance - White Street 10. Illegal dumping of household waste

11. Financial Matters

12. HSBC – daily payment limit 13.

Electricity for Christmas lights 14. Precept 15.

For Information

16. Urgent Matters

**Present:**

Dafydd Gwyndaf  
Daniel Tomos (Clerk)  
Dylan Davies (Vice Chairman)  
Eifion Davies  
Eryl Owain (Chairman)  
Geraint Thomas  
Owen Davis  
Will Edwards

**Apologies:**

Bethan Corrigan  
Claire Roberts  
Dilwyn Roberts (County Councillor)

## **Declaration of interest**

There were no statements

## **Receive the minutes of the last meetings**

The minutes of the meetings of **13 November 2025** were accepted as correct. Dylan Davies proposed and Geraint Thomas seconded.

## **Issues arising:**

**Repairing the wall in Arwelfa Cemetery**

It was reported that the work to the cemetery wall is almost complete.

**SP Energy:** It was decided to inform the County Council about the damage to a wall / culvert near Park Hill.

**Public Paths:** It was reported that NRW will install signs and a pig gate on footpath 49 as soon as the forestry work is completed.

**Public Toilet:** It was decided to obtain prices for the installation of an extraction fan.

**School Bus:** It was reported that children still had to stand on the school bus due to a lack of seats. It was decided to write to Janet Finch-Saunders.

**Flooding - Trac Newydd, Carrog:** It was reported that the problem continues. It was decided to contact the County Council's land drainage department.

**Use of White Street as Bypasses open to Any Traffic:** It was reported that the Roads Department is investigating the matter and will report back.

**Church gate repair:** It was reported that one quote had been received. It was decided to request quotes from other contractors to compare with contacting the council's insurers.

**Defibrillators - Wybrnant, Glasgwm and PenyŷFfridd Llanerchigwynion Area:** The Clerk reported that the council had been offered defibrillators free of charge and, due to a short deadline, had submitted applications for two locations: one in Tŷ Coch, Wybrnant as discussed in the previous meeting and one at the junction of Hospital Road and Crossford Road.

It was decided to support the installation of a defibrillator on Hospital Road. During the discussion, it was suggested that Glasgwm could be a more suitable location for a unit than the previously proposed site in Wybrnant.

**Defibrillator training:** Interest noted among Penmachno Valley residents. The council will collect feedback on suitable days and times to organize a session.

**Complaint regarding property condition and street appearance - White Street:** It was reported that a complaint had been received regarding the condition of one of the houses in White Street. Concerns were noted regarding three vehicles, two motorbikes and a number of items that had been stored along the side of the Bethania chapel wall, making the street look untidy. It was agreed to refer the matter to the County Council.

**Illegal dumping of household waste:** Several reports were received of dumping of household waste, including rags, in the forest between Ffordd Glasgwm and Ffordd Tŷ Coch. It was noted that the rubbish contained documents that identified a local family. The matter has been reported to Natural Resources Wales and the Police.

#### **Financial Report**

The Clerk provided a list of all financial transactions since the last meeting for analysis. It was agreed that everything was in order.

**HSBC - daily payment limit:** It has been decided to increase the daily payment limit from £3,000 to £10,000

**Electricity for Christmas lights:** It was reported that a local resident paid electricity costs for Penmachno's Christmas lights, a total of £12 this year. Although they had not requested a refund, it was agreed that the Council should offer to refund the amount.

**Precept:** It was noted that many costs have increased again such as repairs to facilities, electricity for the public toilet and insurance. It was unanimously decided to set the precept at £20,000.

#### **For Information**

**Dog Fouling:** It was reported that there was a problem with dog fouling in Penmachno at the bus stop, at the shop and towards the park in Ffordd Ty'n y Ddol.

**Tree in Arwelfa Cemetery:** It was reported that a tree in the cemetery needed felling.

**Cutting grass in the playing field in Cwm Penmachno:** It was reported that concerns had been raised.

#### **Urgent Matters**

None

#### **Next meeting**

The next council meeting will be held on Thursday 12 March 2026, 7.30 in the Salem Chapel vestry.