

CYNGOR CYMUNED TREUDDYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday 16th September 2025 at Hafan Deg Community
Centre for 7.00pm

Chairman: Councillor A. Marshall

Present: Councillors. E. Bech (vice-chair), V. Speed, J. Smith, C. Swan, B. Jones & E. Morgan

Also present: Mrs Carolyn J. Thomas, Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer

Members of the public: 1 present

Public session 6.50pm to 7.00pm

1. Apologies: Councillors R. Cracknell, C. Hughes & E. Swan

The Chair opened the meeting and invited the public to speak.

- The resident raised concerns about speeding in the village.

The council will be discussing speeding through the village under Item 6 on the agenda. The resident was happy to sit and observe the full council meeting.

2. To receive declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest received.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting – 15th July 2025

That the minutes of the meeting be accepted as a true and correct record and signed by the chair.

Proposed: Cllr. C. Swan

Seconded: Cllr. J. Smith

Carried

4. To report on any matters arising from previous minutes

No matters raised.

5. Treuddyn Cemetery – update on the meeting held with Mr Richard Blake on 07/08/25

Present: Cllr. C. Hughes and the clerk C. Thomas

Regarding grass seeding the soil banks in the waste basket area, Mr Blake stated the rain would wash the seed away, also the cover from the yew trees doesn't make ideal conditions for grass.

The ground around the water tap area becomes quite muddy during wet weather making the area slippery underfoot.

The clerk stated that Mr Blake has no objection to TCC carrying out work to improve the above.

Cllrs. C. Swan and E. Morgan would be happy to lay woodchip on the soil banks and wooden sleepers as edging to the bottom of the banked area, this would stop stones and soil coming down near the waste basket area.

Also to lay paving slabs by the water tap area.

6. To review and consider the community review 2025. Closing dates for comments 30th September 2025.

Flintshire C.C is currently reviewing community areas and community electoral arrangements in the county.

There may be a change in number of County Councillors representing Town and Community Councils, and a possible reduction in the number of councils.

Cllr. A. Marshall also commented the CJC Board (Corporate Joint Committee) which is a separate corporate body, comprises of representatives from Flintshire C.C.

It was noted that Treuddyn C.C opposes any changes to the electoral arrangements.

7. Community Speedwatch Team. To receive an update

AM Stated he wrote to FCC Traffic Management department, and they stated that traffic needs monitoring at certain times of the day etc.

EB Informed councillors that she invited Mr John Morris Operational Support Services, North Wales Police to run a training course, this was held at Treuddyn village hall. Two residents who had put forward concerns about speeding in the village were invited to attend the training course and to become members of the speedwatch team, neither returned their forms nor attended the training session.

AM Had written to the transport minister in which speed limit repeater signs are unlawful depending on the spacing of street lighting posts.

The main area of speeding is coming into the village from the Nercwys end and along Ffordd y Llan. The flashing VAS road traffic sign near the link path is obsolete since the new 20mph was introduced this was programmed to monitor a speed of 30mph.

As noted in previous meetings councillors ruled out speed bumps and are not the preferred solution.

The community speedwatch team is short of trained members as there are only three who can officially monitor the speed of traffic with the radar gun.

When the team are out it was stated that evidence collected is submitted to North Wales Police for independent observation. Drivers that have been over the speed limit will receive a letter from the police; repeated offences may lead to a more serious letter.

BJ Commented majority of drivers do not abide by the rules and fully supports what has been said regarding speeding in the village.

Cllr. E. Bech was asked to keep in touch with the resident who is in attendance this evening.

8. Treuddyn C.C Newsletter – To discuss the Winter edition.

The editor Cllr. E. Bech informed members the deadline for articles is the 3rd November 2025, this gives schools the opportunity to get photographs of Halloween into the newsletter and giving enough time for Christmas events. Publication would be around the 14th November giving time for proof reading.

It was also stated that advertisers need to be charged more to cover the printing of each page.

A lot of questions were put forward regarding the editing of the newsletter. Opinions were shared but no decisions made.

Cllr. B. Jones proposed an extraordinary meeting to give more time for discussion.

Seconded: Cllr. C. Swan

The chair asked for a show of hands in favour of the proposal. There was no vote in favour.

It was agreed to re-agenda for the October meeting.

9. Planning

No Planning applications received.

10. K6 Telephone Box – Queen Street

AM Has the glass and silicone to replace the broken panes.

VS Commented she has been looking at K6 telephone boxes in different areas, some have defibrillators, books and plants inside, it was agreed items such as these would not be appropriate.

The K6 box is quite nostalgic, and it would be nice to put something inside.

It was agreed to re-agenda for the October meeting.

11. War Memorial – Treuddyn

Discussions have taken place to look at purchasing a second bench for the war memorial. After much deliberation members agreed that there is no requirement for a second bench.

The chair asked for a vote for those in favour of not purchasing a second bench.

Carried.

12. Play Areas – Treuddyn & Coed-Talon

Queen Street play area. The cost to purchase a Spider Web climber including grass matting would be around £16,000. The play item would replace the wooden climber that was removed.

The cost will be considered when looking at the budget for the new financial year 2026/27

Matchfunding 2025/2026

Mr Richard Roberts, Gwella Play Design Officer informed the clerk that matchfunding is oversubscribed this financial year. The council should look at the smaller items this financial year and bigger play equipment next year.

Councillors agreed to replace the playhouse in the Toddler area = £2,660.64 incl.VAT and purchase an extra springer = £1,037.76 incl. VAT

The clerk to ask if a new litter bin could be included.

13. Monthly Action Plan

Matters raised with FCC Streetscene – discussed and updated.

Cllr. A. Marshall met with FCC Streetscene Mr Ian Williams and Mr Ian Bushall three weeks ago.

There are a lot of issues including potholes, hedges and bad road surfaces. They are not sure when the work can be done or where the money is coming from. Flintshire C.C is under financial constraints affecting all departments.

Landowners expect the council to cut their hedges; FCC could cut and charge the landowner. Another option for TCC to send a letter to landowners or visit and explain the situation.

FCC have a grass cutting policy in place but not for hedges. They talked about culverts being blocked etc. There is a lot going on but nothing is moving.

It was also noted that each area is allowed 3 tonnes of tarmac a week which is not a lot to fill the number of potholes.

14. Treuddyn C.C Summer Gardening Competition.

A list of gardens have been noted. These will be discussed with Cllr. C. Hughes and results will be presented at the October meeting.

15. Correspondence – To acknowledge and note correspondence received.

1. Letter received from Mr Josh McEwan gwella School and Community Sports Coordinator, thanking TCC for contributing to the Fit, Fed & Read programme. The support has helped provide meals, activities, and reading opportunities for children and families over the summer. Statistics for the Treuddyn area, which highlight the positive impact TCC's contribution helped to achieve.

Number of sessions delivered – 5

Number of people attended – 603

Average people per session – 121

A letter of thanks will be sent to Mr McEwan.

2. Wrexham Cycling Club. Requesting permission to use the pump track on the 18th October 2025 from 10-12.

The clerk also enquired about the charge of fees as it was noted that allegedly a young person from Treuddyn had been charged for a session. When Wrexham Cycling Club first enquired to use the pump track, a young person attending a session that lives in Treuddyn is not charged.

The response from the cycling club any youth attending their first session gets it free but has to sign a consent form. Its £4 after for any youth at any location. The funds go towards the costs of running the club such as approved coaching courses and equipment. All the coaches are volunteers.

3. A resident has kindly offered to look after the planter on Fordd Top-y-Rhos.

4. The Chairman of Leeswood and Pontblyddyn Community Council extends an invitation to his civic service to be held at Leeswood Methodist Church, Sunday 12th October 2025 at 2.00pm.

16. Street Lighting

No faults reported

The clerk reported on the progress of moving energy supplier from Scottish Power to Flintshire C.C street lighting department (under their umbrella). It has been a long process with emails back and forth. An email sent to |Scottish Power stating that TCC have moved over supplier as from the 01/08/25 also confirmed by FCC Street Lighting department. Invoices are still being received from Scottish Power which are being questioned.

17. Invoices for payment

Over the Summer recess email authorisation was given by Cllrs. R. Cracknell and J. Smith to pay the following.

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
iViD Digital Security	12 months unlimited 4G Data Plan	
	02/08/25 to 02/08/26 Treuddyn play park CCTV	£720.00
The Defib Pad	Mediana A15 Battery Pack (new battery for	
	Defibrillator in Hafan Deg	£206.99
Cartridge Shop	A4 copy paper & Ink cartridges	£147.47
Scottish Power	01/07/25 to 01/08/25	£726.83

Quarterly Review of Finances & Bank Balances

Current Account: £44,263.77

Reserve Account: £1,211.21

Income Received

Interest Reserve Account £5.54

29/08/25 Precept 2nd payment £14,000

Total expenditure to date £13,110.30

Expenditure to the end of the financial year 31st March 2025 was presented to councillors and discussed.

AM stated that he had met with Mr D. Jones FCC Street Lighting Manager at Rhydtalog in relation to the proposed installation of a defibrillator. The mobile signal level is very poor which would need to be addressed.

Costs provided from FCC commercial and Mega Electrical for installation and construction works are very expensive.

A resident in Rhydtalog has offered for the defibrillator to be put on the outside wall of their property and connect to free electric.

The clerk to make enquiries with TCC Insurance regarding a defibrillator on private property.

The cost of a defibrillator and cabinet will be presented at the October meeting.

Invoices presented for payment

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Gwella	Fit, Fed & Read Summer Programme	£1000.00
M. Fisher	Cutting verges & BMX track	£870.00
	Invoices May, June & July	
Staff costs	August	£613.66
Staff costs	September	£613.66
HMRC	Employer NI August	£25.60
C. Metcalf	Village planters	£75.50

It was agreed the above payments are approved. The payment schedule was signed by the chair/vice chair and two bank signatories.

18. Community Councillors Reports

1. **AM** Reported that Ffordd-y-Bont will be closed on the 09/12/25 – Location is near the new houses. Tarmac has dropped on the highway.

2. A caravan covered in a sheet parked off the road A5104 just before the Ffordd-y-Gilrhos junction (coming into Treuddyn) is blocking highway signage.

3. Works at Gilrhos House, Treuddyn. Planning has been approved.

4. Wildlife Corridor

Cllr. C. Swan stated he had cut brambles etc. in the wildlife corridor a couple of years ago, last year he had sprayed the docks and nettles, there were nice grasses etc coming through.

Someone during the summer turned up and cut the corridor ruining the growth.

Note: Nobody knows who has cut the wildlife corridor.

AM “I met with a guy from Clwyd Alyn Housing, and it wasn’t them. I am trying to identify who

owns the wildlife corridor, apparently £20,000 was given to some organisation to maintain it. Flintshire C.C planning for the Bro Brwynog estate is 18 years old and it is difficult tracing documents that relate to the wildlife corridor.

I also met with the biodiversity officer, and we looked at the verge along Ffordd y Gilrhos. Over a couple of years where there has been limited grass cutting wildlife flowers have come in. She will be looking at the wildlife corridor”.

The Chair brought the meeting to a close at 9.10pm

Chairman.....

21st October 2025

