

Laleston Community Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Laleston Community Council held at Blandy Hall on 18 September 2025 commencing at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr's A Berrow, Z Blundell, C Davies, V James, S Philpin, S Richmond, M Smith and I Spiller.

In attendance: Gail Jewell

1. 19.1721 Council undertook a period of silent reflection.

2. 19.1722 Apologies for absence. Cllr's JP Blundell, M Fouracre, D Harrison and C Webster.

3. 19.1723 Representation from members of the public. None.

4. 19.1724 Declarations of Interest.

Cllr I Spiller – Item 10 & 11 – Personal Interest as a Member of Bridgend County Borough Council

Cllr I Spiller – Item 15 - Personal Interest as a Member of Bridgend Town Council.

Cllr A Berrow – Item 19 - Prejudicial Interest as a Member of Bridgend County Borough Council Planning Committee.

5. 19.1725 Approval of Minutes.

Matters Arising from the Meeting that took place on 19 June 2025:

13. 19.1690 To discuss Pen-Y-Bont Football Club

Cllr I Spiller provided an update from an introductory meeting that took place with the new Chief Executive of Bridgend County Borough Council, where the parking issues pertaining to visitors of Pen-Y-Bont Football Club were highlighted, as well as historical background information.

Accuracy of the minutes from the meeting that took place on 17 July 2025

9. 19.1686 To receive any recommendations and or comments from Committees

Cllr I Spiller explained that an email had been submitted to the Clerk to request that the text in the 3rd bullet point should specify Cllr S Philpin as the person who submitted the motion. Clerk to amend prior to publication.

Resolved: The minutes of the ordinary meeting of Council that took place on 17 July 2025 were **approved** as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr I Spiller and seconded by Cllr S Richmond.

Matters arising from the meeting that took place on 17 July 2025

13. 19.1714 To discuss investigating re-opening pathways in Craig Y Parcau Local Nature Reserve.

Cllr C Davies queried the resolution made regarding the feasibility study for reopening pathways in Craig Y Parcau Local Nature Reserve and requested that the Clerk check the recording.

Resolution: Clerk to check recording for the wording of the resolution and amend, if necessary, prior to publication.

6. 19.1726 To receive quotations, if any.

	Quotations Received	Comment
	Car Park Release Fees. Supplier A: If a car is locked in, they would call CCSU. CCSU call supplier. Supplier calls customer to take payment of £50. Supplier attends and releases vehicle from car park. Supplier transfers money minus the card processing fee. Supplier invoices for services. £42 plus VAT per car released	Resolved: Members agreed that prior to progressing with the company for car parking release fees, that costings for additional signage for the car park are brought to Council for approval.

7. 19.1727 To review urgent matters undertaken during recess.

Works carried out	Comment
Finance Committee agreed to rectify health and safety concerns of Broadlands Steps and Vegetation overgrowth.	The Clerk outlined that only the vegetation clearance had been carried out to date and spend was within the agreed budget for Footpaths. Resolved: Council noted the update.
Tree cutting/hedge trimming on cycle path near Heol Y Bardd and Ffordd Candleston carried out at the same time as above.	The Clerk outlined that the work had been carried out in conjunction with above and that the spend was within the agreed budget for Footpaths. Resolved: Council noted the update.
Following on from a Fire risk assessment undertaken at Bryntirion & Laleston Community Centre, emergency lighting placed around the building to keep in line with fire safety regulations. 3 quotations received. Progressed with cheapest quotation of £1397	The Clerk outlined that the work had been carried out within the budget allocated to repairs and improvement for Bryntirion & Laleston Community Centre. Resolved: Council noted the update.

Damage to the wall surrounding Blandy Hall had been highlighted to the Clerk which was in the process of being investigated further.	Resolved: Council noted the update.
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8. 19.1728 To review and approve a Scheme of Delegation for Laleston Community Council.

Resolved: Members **reviewed and approved** the Scheme of Delegation document for Laleston Community Council.

9. 19.1729 To receive a Pre-Application Consultation map for the Llanmoor Homes development and consider whether elements of the Bryntirion Community Park could be incorporated into the plans.

Resolved: Members **agreed** to retain all aspects of the proposed plans for the Bryntirion Community Park and not to incorporate any elements in the Llanmoor Homes development and **requested** that the Clerk respond to instead investigate utilising S106 money to fund the project.

10. 19.1730 To review and approve an amended Expression of Interest for Bryntirion Playing Fields prior to submission to Bridgend County Borough Council.

The Clerk explained that the original expression of interest that was previously submitted to Bridgend County Borough Council, was for the field in its current state and that there was a need to resubmit an amended version to request changing the use of the field for the Bryntirion Community Park.

Resolved: Members **reviewed and approved** the amended expression of interest for Bryntirion Playing Fields prior to its submission to Bridgend County Borough Council.

11. 19.1731 To consider applying to Bridgend County Borough Council for the pathway at Broadlands District Centre adjacent to Llangewydd Arms to become a public right of way.

Resolved: Members **agreed** to apply to Bridgend County Borough Council for the pathway at Broadlands District Centre adjacent to Llangewydd Arms to become a public right of way.

12. 19.1732 To consider the use of Welsh Language.

Resolved: Council **agreed** to defer the item until the next meeting of Council.

13. 19.1733 To consider helping or supporting the commemoration of the 800th Anniversary of the completion of the extension to St David's Church.

Resolved: Following discussions Members **agreed** to respond to the organising group for the 800th Anniversary of the completion of the extension to St David's Church to propose holding an old village fete with medieval events and crafts during 2026 to support the commemoration, with the view to seek involvement of Bridgend & District Local History Society and St Johns House Trust.

14. 19.1734 To discuss and agree on the preparations for the Fireworks Event.

Resolved: Following discussions, Members **agreed**:

- To have stalls open on site from 4.30pm and to set fireworks off from 6pm.
- To contact Crackerjacks to increase fireworks instead of hiring Organised Kaos.
- To start to publicise the firework event on social media.
- To advertise parking for £1 in Pen-y-bont Football Club, which will be redeemed with a spend in the club house.

15. 19.1735 To receive a quotation to repaint Laleston Milestone

Resolved: The Clerk presented the quotation received to repaint Laleston Milestone and outlined that the cost was within the spend allocated during the budget setting process for 2025/2026. Members **agreed** to progress with the quotation.

16. 19.1736 To receive any recommendations and or comments from Committees –

- a) Finance Committee. None.
- b) HR & Personnel Committee. None.
- c) Biodiversity & Allotment Committee. None

17. 19.1737 To receive the draft minutes of any Committee meetings held since the last meeting of Council and note any delegated decisions made.

- a) Finance Committee – Minutes presented for the Finance Committee ordinary meeting and extraordinary meeting, that both took place on the 29 July 2025 – minutes **noted**.
- b) HR & Personnel Committee – None.
- c) Biodiversity & Allotment Committee – None.

18. 19.1738 To receive correspondence, if any.

Correspondence Received
Email received and circulated by email from Planning in regard to 19 Cuckoo Close, Broadlands, Bridgend, CF31 5FP, against a refusal to grant planning permission. The appeal was allowed, and planning permission has been granted for a wooden shed and fencing to side of house.
Email received and circulated by email from Phil Cope outlining that the due to the description, location and size of the Laleston Well development, it does not require planning permission.
Email received and circulated by email from BCBC regarding the appeal decision for Land adjacent to Unit 1 Ty Talbot, Elm Crescent, Bryntirion. Case dismissed and the enforcement notice was upheld.

One Voice Wales (circulated by email)

July 2025

- Members' Allowances: Annual Timetable of Actions - review of our Practice Development Note
- Workshop - Decarbonising the Built Estate
- TfW Bulletin June 2025
- One Voice Wales E-Bulletin edition 7
- Digital health of community and town councils
- Members' Allowances: Annual Timetable of Actions
- Reusable Cup Schemes - Survey and Event 28th July
- Southwest Wales bus reform - publicity help
- SLM - Indicators & Targets Workshop 04/08/2025
- Vacancy – Public Appointment
- Indicators & Targets Workshop 04/08/2025
- Social Care: your chance to influence the future of the sector.
- Financial Assistance for Councillor Training with One Voice Wales

One Voice Wales (circulated by email)

August 2025

- C/O Traffic Management Officers - Blue Badge Charging Traffic Regulation Order-Engagement
- Cost of Living Crisis Project - Information and Resources
- Members' Allowances: Annual Timetable of Actions
- One Voice Wales Constitution and Governance Framework
- Vacancy: Policy Lead - Legislation and Strategy - Welsh Revenue Authority (WRA)
- Welsh Government Consultation on Revisions to the Separate Collection of Waste Materials for Recycling: A Code of Practice for Wales
- Draft minutes for One Voice Wales Bridgend, Cardiff and the Vale Area Committee meeting - 21 July 2025
- Overcoming barriers to Net Zero in the public sector - Webinar Series
- Repair Cafe Wales
- Your biodiversity Team at One Voice Wales
- SURVEY - In Wales, in 2025, does the job title "Clerk" adequately reflect the role?

One Voice Wales (circulated by email)

September 2025

- One Voice Wales Extraordinary Meeting 3 September 2025
- Welsh Government Consultation on extending the duty on local authorities to broadcast meetings
- One Voice Wales National Conference and Annual General Meeting 01/10/25
- Webinar Reminder: Cost of Living Crisis Project
- Ystadau Cymru Awards 2025 – closing 8 September – still time to apply!
- Training Dates - September - December 2025
- Ynysybwl & Coed-y-Cwm Community Council - Vacancy - Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer
- Motions for Annual General Meeting
- Charles Arnold Baker 14th Edition
- E Bulletin 8
- Joint One Voice Wales/SLCC Event – Wednesday 12 November 2025
- Your Biodiversity Team at One Voice Wales
- Closing dates for Orchard applications and Keep Wales Tidy Packages
- Vacancy - Administration Officer Porthcawl Town Council
- Information & Resources - Cost of Living Crisis Project

19. 19.1739 To consider Planning Applications.

Cllr A Berrow left the meeting.

Planning Application	Comment
Application No.: P/25/447/FUL Applicant: Laleston Car Sales Location: Laleston Car Sales Ltd, Laleston Service Station, Laleston, Bridgend, CF32 0LY Proposal: Workshop units in connection with the existing car sales business Date: 5 September 2025	Resolved: No issues raised.
Planning Application No.: P/25/525/FUL Applicant: Mr L James Location: 1 High Street, Laleston, Bridgend, CF32 0LD Proposal: Detached triple garage to front garden Date: 5 September 2025	Resolved: No issues raised.
Planning Application No.: P/25/520/RLX Applicant: Mr S Pickett Location: 26 Clos Y Cudyll Coch Broadlands Bridgend CF31 5FW Proposal: Vary condition 1 of P/24/376/FUL (to allow variation to Rear Elevation - Drawing 1846/06A (window)) Date: 8 September 2025	Resolved: No issues raised.
Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) Planning Application No.: P/25/507/HYB Applicant: Llanmoor Development Co Limited	Resolved: Members highlighted that further consideration would be required in respect of infrastructure, including the

Location: Land west of Bridgend (Land between Llangewydd Road and A473 Bridgend) Proposal: Hybrid planning application (outline/full) for a residential development for up to 850 homes, public open space and a primary school, alongside landscaping, drainage, Green Infrastructure with vehicular and pedestrian/cycle access (outline application with all matters reserved except for means of access and full application for the initial phase comprising 382 dwellings, internal estate roads, public open space (including play areas), drainage, internal footpaths/cycleway with parking/landscaping together with associated works) ~ Affecting Public Right of Way LAL/11/1 Date: 16 September 2025	inclusion of bus stops – with the lack of bus routes and current issues with flooding and sewerage in Bryntirion. Therefore, Members agreed that the Clerk respond to the Planning department to request an extension to the deadline to respond, to allow Members to review the extensive documentation submitted with the planning application, to formulate a response as a Community Council.
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There being no further business, the meeting ended at 8.05 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 16 October 2025 and will commence at 7.00pm.