In line with the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 these minutes are duly published as draft and will be formally agreed at the next meeting of the Council.

LALESTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Laleston Community Council held at Blandy Hall on Thursday 18th June 2026 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllrs.V.James(Chair) S.Philpin .T. Berrow, M. Smith, I Spiller, D.Harrison, C. Webster. M. Fouracre. C.Smith, J-P Blundell, Z.Blundell M.Fouracre

In Attendance: Geraint Thomas, Clerk

1.29 The Council undertook a period of silent reflection

Noted

2.30 Apologies for absence:

Cllr. S. Richmond

3.31 Representation from members of the Public

NONE

4.32 Declarations of Interest.

Cllr. I. Spiller– Item17 - Prejudicial interest as a Member of Bridgend County Borough Council Planning Committee if there were any planning matters to be raised

Cllr D.Harrison -Item17-- Prejudicial interest as a Member of Bridgend County Borough Council Planning Committee if there were any planning matters to be raised

Cllr C. Davies — Prejudicial interest in matters relevant to the PiPiff fund if Discussed

Cllr I Spiller Item 09 - Broadlands Fun Day -- Personal Interest only

5.33 To receive a report from the Chair of the Council in relation to events /meetings attended

The Chair stated that she had been in attendance etc at the following events

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Bridgend Pride and Celebratory event of 800 years of the Church in Laleston

RESOLVED to endorse the action of the Chair with thanks

6.34 Approval of Minutes

The Draft minutes were circulated beforehand

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Council meeting held on the 16th April 2026 and 21st May 2026, without any points of clarification being raised.

7.35 To note the minutes of the AGM held on 21st May 2026

The minutes were circulated prior to the meeting

RESOLVED to note the minutes of the AGM held on 21st May 2026

8.36 To receive quotations

The Clerk indicated the Council is pushing ahead with the attenuation pond at Bryntirion Fields

The capital cost of the project is being fully financed by BCBC . Any additional administrative costs are being met by this Council.

A quotation has now been received from a Drainage Consultant in the sum of £2100 now needs to be paid as the overflow from the pond needs to be linked to the main drainage system in the area.

RESOLVED to note the position and the quotation referred to be accepted

9.37 To receive an update from the Clerk on Broadlands Fun Day expenditure

The Clerk updated the Council and arrangements being made to facilitate the above event and deposits in advance that needed to be paid for things like Portable toilets generator etc.

RESOLVED to note the update

10.38 To receive Draft minutes and any recommendations and or comments from Committees

The Clerk referred to the Draft minutes that had been circulated prior to the meeting and made comments thereon regarding their content and recommendations

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Finance and Facilities Committee

Biodiversity and Allotments Committee

RESOLVED to note the Draft minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee and Biodiversity and Allotments Committee and the recommendations therein accordingly

11.39 To review Standing Orders

The Clerk referred to the revised Standing Orders which had been prepared and considered by the Finance and Facilities Committee. The revised Standing Orders were circulated prior to the meeting

RESOLVED To accept the revised Standing Orders as issued.

12.40 To consider the invitation to Join the Community Family Fun Day on the 22nd July 2026 organised by Penybont FC
The Clerk referred to this invitation.

The Chair of the Council is already intending to attend, and all members are similarly invited

RESOLVED to note the invitation with thanks and to support the event with the Council's "pop-up" displays

13.41 To receive an update on the provision of storage for books in the Community

The Clerk referred to this matter and by way of an update he was seeking further clarification as to the availability of the OLD Phone Box and a suitable location for it to be placed in Laleston.

A further report will be submitted in due course.

RESOLVED to note the current position

14.42 To receive an update on the provision of Creditors

The RFO had circulated the relevant information require prior to the meeting.

It was pointed out that there were large payments in 25/26 which needed retrospective Council approval indicated below
Centregreat Xmas Lights provision
Beeline bouncers -Broadlands Fun Day

RESOLVED to approve and note the situation.

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The Clerk referred to the fact that the end of year financial AGR statements need be with external Audit by the 30th June2026.

Internal Audit report relative to the AGR return has been received on the 18th June 2026.

RESOLVED 1. to accept the AGR return for the 2025/26 referred to
2. to refer the AGR return for external audit
3. to refer the Internal Auditor's report to the Finance and Facilities Committee for further consideration
4. To accept the following information circulated
*** Creditors list for April 2026**
*** Bank Reconciliation statement as at 30th April 2026**
*** Expenditure compared to Budget as at 30th April 2026**
5. To formally thank the RFO for the work undertaken in providing the financial information

15. 43 To receive the Clerk's General Report

The Clerk presented his verbal report as indicated below:

1. The Facilities Assistant had started work on the 8th June 2026 and has fitted well into his role.
2. The Clerk stated that he would be taking all the Staff out for Christmas Lunch this year and that the Office would be closed accordingly

RESOLVED to note and accept

3. The new Council Website will be up and running in two weeks time

RESOLVED to note with thanks

4. The CAT transfer of Bryntirion Fields is still under consideration within BCBC

RESOLVED to note and copy Cllr C. Davies with relevant information

5. Quote from Fattorini for past Chairs Medallions and Pin Badges

The Clerk referred to the quotation received from Fattorini and the background thereto

RESOLVED 1. to accept the quotation received .

2. the former Chair 2025/26 be presented with a Medallion

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6. The Clerk indicated that the Council was still awaiting

   the outcome from the grant applications submitted to BCBC Cllr C. Davies to be given details of the grants applied for

   RESOLVED to note the position

7. Revised Terms of reference for Standing Committees have been issued in accordance with the resolution agreed at the Council's AGM meeting held in May 2026

   The Clerk stated that there were some concerns raised in the recent Biodiversity and Allotments Committee meeting from the representatives from the Allotments.

   RESOLVED to note that the Council's resolution would be implemented in its entirety.

8. Annual Report and Well-being report have been circulated

   RESOLVED to accept with thanks to the RFO for the work undertaken

9. Boundary Review LCC. This is on the Agenda for a BCBC meeting to be held w/c 22nd June 2026

   RESOLVED to note

   THE Clerk was thanked for his report

16.44 To receive Correspondence

No correspondence had been received that required referral to the Council,

RESOLVED that only correspondence that needed Council approval would only be brought to future meetings

17.45 To consider Planning Applications

Planning applications were circulated prior to the meeting , They are

indicated below with the comments:

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Planning Application	Comment
Planning Application No.: P/26/91/FUL Applicant: Mr J Oliver Grwp Datblygu Location: 48 Chestnut Bush, Broadlands, Bridgend, CF31 5FG Proposal: Conversion of garage into a habitable room Date: 23 April 2026	No Comment
Planning Application No.: P/26/187/FUL Applicant: Mr & Mrs Pearce Location: 30 Heol Y Fronfraith Fawr, Broadlands, Bridgend, CF31 5FR Proposal: Demolish existing conservatory and construct single storey rear extension (retention of) Date: 17 April 2026	No Comment
Application No.: P/26/198/LAE Applicant: Miss K Sinar Grwp Datblygu Location: 32 Pen Llwyn Broadlands Bridgend CF31 5AZ Proposal: Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing use of land to north of dwelling as a garden which started more than 10 years ago Date: 6 May 2026	**The Council is fully aware of the history of this premises and therefore the application should be refused based on such information which is still relevant.**
Planning Application No.: P/26/244/FUL Applicant: Mr I Fullstone Our ref: P/26/244/FUL Location: 21 Acorn Walk, Broadlands, Bridgend, CF31 5BF Proposal: Retrospective planning for the erection of a single storey outbuilding and timber fence Date: 19 May 2026	**The Council opposes this application as the applicant should have been fully aware of the requirement for planning permission beforehand based on the fact that other residents have carried out similar work in the area, with prior planning approval.**

Cllr C. Davies expressed concerns about two planning consents

* Appellant's successful appeal for a hard standing adjacent to property on A48

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for caravans

* Craig -y Parcau – traffic issues

RESOLVED to note

18.28 If appropriate, consider passing the following resolution:

That, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.

The motion was not passed

There being no further business to be transacted, Council meeting ended at 7.52pm

Next meeting will be on the 16th July 2026

Chair signature for approval… V. James

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