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Minutes of the Meeting of Llanyblodwel Parish Council

Held Thursday 17th September 2026, starting at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllr P Shellard (Chair), Cllr B Cross (vice Chair), Cllr A Beckett, Cllr Ken Bell, Cllr D Counsell, Cllr B Edwards, Cllr T Lewis,

In Attendance: Rebecca Colpus – Clerk and 3 members of the public

27.27 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr H Dixon and Cllr N Williams.

28.27 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None disclosed

29.27 Public Participation Session

No items were raised.

30.27 Minutes

The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 23rd July 2026 were confirmed and signed.

31.27 Planning Matters

a) There were no planning applications to comment on.

b) Planning Applications for consideration

Update on Planning for Solar array farm:

The County Council requested Transport statement indicating vehicle movements and assess to site. A new statement on access has been done – they plan to use and widen existing field entrance off main road between road sign for Coopers Lane turning and an electric pole. The railway organisation has commented regarding new hedges and trees adjacent to the disused rail line. Environmental concerns are about drainage and disturbance of wildlife. Request for flood resistant measures to be included and management plan for wildlife.

c) Consider Planning applications not listed above that are received after the issue of this agenda and are included on Shropshire Council's website.

None known

32.27 Reports

a) Clerk's Report

Work over the last 2 months has involved the following:
Reviewed and updated Asset Register and provided figures for our insurers.
Looked into the funding for Churchyard Wall repairs. Gone back through accounts to 2019 in order to indicate what may still need to be raised for work at Llanyblodwel. Some income from previous years has been put aside in reserves for this. Still in the process of finding out what current situation is.
Have ordered the new door for Bryn Melin noticeboard. The one at Cooper's Lane just needs the hinges to be altered as the company have informed me that they have been put in incorrectly.
Updated payments and budgets spreadsheets (as attached). We are keeping within our budget. Issue with the minuting of our DD payments to Ocean Telecom discovered. Only 1 signed off at May meeting with the wrong amount – there should have been 2, and as the invoices were missing a later invoice was used. See attached document for full details. The missing invoices now received from Ocean Telecom.
Clerk forgot/did not realise need to inform the HMRC online of months when no salary is paid. This now rectified this but unfortunately a penalty of £100 has been given. Clerk has appealed this but the payment much be paid by end of September to avoid interest being added even if the appeal is successful and a refund is given.

b) Councillor Reports:

1. Question raised over the current road closure after Llansantffraid Junction as to where it was.
2. Cameras from one property overlooking another in Coopers Lane is of concern. Agreed that this was a privacy matter for the homeowner to pursue as necessary.
3. Hours of work reduced for local Police so not to expect attendance at our meetings.
4. Request that County Coiuncillar could push for 30 mile/hour speed limit on road going through Llynclys.

c) Police Report. None available.

d) Shropshire Councillor Report:

1. Coopers Lane: Still waiting on reply regarding railings. No resolution regarding bollards possible as ownership of land unknown.
2. Llanyblodwel bridge. Camera is operational but not monitored. Width limit not currently being enforced but will be working with ESP to get action next year.

33.27 Finance

a) the following payments were approved:

Cheque No/BACS ref	Date on bank stment	Payee	Details	Amount (inc VAT)
DD	23/07	Ocean Telecom	Phone services/E-sim (June)	£15.60
BACS	13/08	ICO	Annual Data Protection Fee	£52.00
DD	25/08	Ocean Telecom	Phone services/E-sim (July)	£15.60
BACS	27/08	A J Gallagher	Annual Insurance	£456.79
DD	31/08	Unity Trust	Bank Charges	£ 7.00
BACS	29/09	Rebecca Colpus	Clerks Salary Nett (August & September) £738.86 Home working allowance 9 weeks @ £2/week = £18.00	£756.33
BACS	29/09	HMRC	PAYE Payments	£184.86
BACS	04/09	Shropshire Council	Streetlight Energy – 2nd Quarter	£188.86
DD	23/09	Ocean Telecom	Phone services/E-sim (August)	£15.60
BACS	23/09	PKF Littlejohn	External Auditors fee (Inc. VAT)	£252.00
BACS	23/09	HMRC	Fine for late notification of PAYE	£100.00

b) Correction of Ocean Telecon bills. Issue acknowledged and resolved by amending documentation. Approved

c) Annual salary increase figures detailed on separate document. Increase approved.

d) Bank reconciliation up to and including 30/08/2026 approved and signed.

e) Approval of 2nd quarter finance. Noted.

f) Signatories – Internet banking – update on progress: Still sorting out passwords.

g) Issue with HMRC fine of £100. payment of fine approved.

h) Donations Pot – agreed to give £150 to local worthy cause - Ceynblodwel chapel Proposed by Cllr A Beckett, Seconded by Cllr B Edwards. Cheque signed and approved.

i) Invoice for use of Chapel in July for meeting presented. Cheque signed and approved.

j) Budget spreadsheet being reviewed.

34.27 Asset Management / Parish Maintenance / Parish Matters

Assets:

a) Noticeboards: Cllr T Lewis & Cllr A Beckett agreed to sort out hinge on Coopers Lane board. Clerk to chase suppliers re new door.

b) Beacon on Hill – In good condition to be used when needed.

c) Streetlights – re County Council Memo requesting emergency contact – Agreed we cannot provide cover.

d) Bus shelter – member of public concerned over condition. Cllr A Beckett agreed to repair dislodged panel. Clerk to organise cleaning using previous contractor.

e) Closed churchyards. Still waiting to receive 2nd quote for work. Headstone checks need to be done on regular basis. Clerk to check schedule and carry out check. At Morton some bushes need cutting back – Cllrs Beckett, Edwards and Cross to meet at Morton to review work to be undertaken by volunteers. Also working party led by Cllrs Cross and Shellard to meet 31st October at Llanyblodwel Church.

f) Speed Cameras: Currently both not working. Clerk to sort.

Parish Matters:

a. Pavement on main road at Llynclys – received another e-mail concerning mud but it was agreed that the pavements were now all clear.
b. Remembrance Day wreath – 2 wreaths required. Paid by member of public with any surplus going to the Ceynblodwel chapel.
c. Remembrance day observation at Llanyblodwel War Memorial on 11th November 2026.

35.27 Correspondence - noted:

From Severn Trent re presentations – clerk to invite them to next meeting.
Fly tipping – no action re poster
Request for information by AMEY on our streetlights at Llynclys provided by clerk.

36.27 Next Meeting

Thursday 19th November - 7.30pm at The Port-y-waen and Llanyblodwel Memorial Institute.