

**Minutes of the Meeting of COUNCIL held at Neuadd Cyngor Ceredigion,
Penmorfa, Aberaeron and remotely via video conference on
Monday, 3rd March, 2025**

PRESENT: Councillor Keith Evans (Chair), Councillors Shelley Childs, Bryan Davies, Catrin M S Davies, Clive Davies, Euros Davies, Gareth Davies, Gethin Davies, Ifan Davies, Marc Davies, Meirion Davies, Rhodri Davies, Amanda Edwards, Endaf Edwards, David Raymond Evans, Elaine Evans, Elizabeth Evans, Eryl Evans, Gwyn Wigley Evans, Rhodri Evans, Wyn Evans, Keith Henson, Hugh R M Hughes, Chris James, Gwyn James, Ceris Jones, Gareth Lewis, Maldwyn Lewis, Gareth Lloyd, Sian Maehrlein, Ann Bowen Morgan, Caryl Roberts, John Roberts, Mark Strong, Wyn Thomas, Matthew Vaux, Alun Williams and Carl Worrall

(10.00 am - 1.10 pm)

Procedure

The Chairman of the Council, Councillor Keith Evans welcomed all to the meeting and confirmed that the meeting was being webcasted.

1 Apologies

James Starbuck, Corporate Director apologised for his inability to attend the meeting.

2 Disclosure of personal / prejudicial interests

Councillors Bryan Davies, Euros Davies, Gareth Davies, Endaf Edwards, Raymond Evans, Rhodri Evans, Wyn Evans, Keith Henson, Chris James, Gwyn James and Gareth Lewis declared a personal and prejudicial interest should any discussion arise relating close family members/close personal associates/related-parties who are employees/officers of the Council or teachers within schools in the County or for the Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service.

3 Chair Announcements

Councillor Keith Evans extended his condolences to the family of Dilys Davies on their recent bereavement. Dilys was working in the Revenue and Benefits department and had worked for the Council for over 24 years. He also extended his condolences to the family of Dafydd Elis Thomas on their recent bereavement, a prominent politician in both Welsh and UK politics.

Councillor Keith Evans congratulated the following:

- a) Deian Gwynne and Caio James on winning their first cap for the Wales under 20 Rugby Team;
- b) Ella Williams for winning Silver in the British Junior Women category at the British Open Airgun Championship;
- c) Byron Davies and John Jones who received recognition by the Football Association for Wales for over 40 years of service to Dewi Stars;
- d) Rhys Salcombe from Aberystwyth, one of a team of four that won a BAFTA and an Oscar for Special Visual Effects for the film 'Dune: Part Two';

- e) Ceredigion Young Farmers' Clubs for taking part in the Pantomime competition at Felinfach, and to Pontsian Young Farmers Club who came first, and will now be representing Ceredigion at a national level.

4 To confirm the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on 23 January 2025

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 23 January 2025.

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

5 To consider the Joint Report of the Leader, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Financial Services, the Chief Executive and the Corporate Lead Officer: Finance and Procurement upon the Budget 2025/26, including the Capital Strategy, the Multi-year Capital Programme and Prudential Indicators for Capital Treasury Management

- 6** Councillor Bryan Davies, Leader of the Council presented the report to Council thanking Officers, Members and Chairs of the Scrutiny Committees for their input. He noted that the initial draft settlement from the Welsh Government was 3.6% and that the Cabinet along with Plaid Cymru and Independent members of the WLGA had been lobbying for 7%. The Welsh Government had settled for a funding floor of 3.8%, and as a result the situation had not changed significantly, resulting in a proposed decrease to the Council Tax increase from 9.9% to 9.3%. He noted that the core Council Tax increase equated to 4.3%, with an additional 0.6% resulting from the increase to the Mid and West Wales Fire Authority levy, 2.9% resulting from changes to the employers' National Insurance contributions, and 1.5% resulting from a recommendation from Scrutiny to invest in waste collection and planning enforcement services. He also noted an increase of 8.3% to the delegated schools' budget, including grant funding. He acknowledged that a 9.3% increase was significant, emphasising that the Cabinet were eager not to cut services or staffing during 2025/26.

Councillor Gareth Davies, Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement thanked Officers for preparing the budget and Members of the Scrutiny Committees for their consideration of the reports. He noted that Cabinet had received a letter from the Independent Group, stating that they were unable to support the budget for 2024/25 as they felt that some of the savings were unachievable. He acknowledged that not all of the savings had been achieved, noting 3 items that were still in a red status, however no further reductions had been proposed for the 2025/26 budget. He also noted the Independent Group's recommendation to review all posts with a salary exceeding £45k with the exception of education and frontline services. Councillor Gareth Davies noted that 72% of such posts are employed within Education (mainly within Schools), 6% are Corporate manager roles, and 2% relate to the Leadership Group (with several posts being statutory posts). Of the remaining 20%, 13% are posts within frontline services and 1% relate to regional work such as Growing Mid Wales. The remaining 6% (40 posts) are professional roles within support services such as legal, human resources, ICT and finance. Having considered these in detail, the Cabinet concluded

that any reduction to these services would impact directly upon the frontline services. He also noted the Independent Group's recommendation in relation to agency staff, noting that this had start to reduce however the majority of these roles relate to statutory services such as social care.

Councillor Gareth Davies provided an outline of the proposed budget as outlined in the report, which included the revenue budget, a breakdown of expenditure and what the council tax pays for, the council tax reduction scheme, the capital strategy and multi-year capital programme and the prudential indicators for capital and treasury management.

Members noted that they appreciated the work and the commitment of all employees stating that it was not the intention of the Independent Group to undermine the credibility of employees, but rather to look at rationalisation, job-sharing with other authorities and not re-appointing upon vacancies due to retirement. Members highlighted their concern in terms of the cost of living and a potential increase to the Council Tax. Members also noted the importance of investing in the waste collection service and planning enforcement, noting that they anticipated that the enforcement element could be self-funding in a number of years, possibly a 3 to 4 year period.

Members also noted that they did not wish to see any further cuts to Council Services due to the impact that this has upon the most vulnerable residents; Members suggested that Overview and Scrutiny Committees could look at more Services during the year as part of their Forward Work Programmes. Reference was also made to the Welsh Government funding formula which benefitted urban areas at the expense of rural areas, and a call for Welsh Government to review the Fire Service's levy to move it to a Precept.

The Corporate Lead Officer for Finance and Procurement and the Section 151 Officer noted that the medium-term financial outlook remains poor and that both the revenue and capital budgets remain under considerable pressure and that the corporate risk register recognises this with the financial risk remaining at 25. He noted that notwithstanding this, it is possible to produce a balanced budget, accepting that there are still some risks particularly in relation to pay awards and Employers National Insurance. He confirmed that in his opinion the Budget estimates have been prepared in a sufficiently robust manner and the level of Reserves and General Balances was adequate.

Councillor Rhodri Evans proposed a recorded vote on items 2, 3 and 5. This was seconded by Councillor Keith Evans and agreed following a vote.

Following a vote the following were **RESOLVED**:

1. To note that in the opinion of the CLO: Finance & Procurement (Section 151 Officer):
 - the Budget estimates have been prepared in a sufficiently robust manner.
 - the proposed level of Earmarked Reserves and General Balances is adequate in respect of the forthcoming financial year.

2. To approve the following in relation to the Revenue Budget:
 - a) The Revenue Budget Requirement for 25/26 of £209.164m, as set out in Appendix 1, which includes the Budget Reduction Proposals outlined in Appendix 2.
 - b) The detailed Updated 24/25 Budgets and Forecast 25/26 Budgets, as set out in Appendix 3.

A recorded vote was taken, as agreed and in accordance with Rule 14.5 of the Council Procedures Rules contained in the Council's Constitution on item 2.

For: Shelley Childs, Bryan Davies, Catrin M S Davies, Clive Davies, Euros Davies, Gareth Davies, Gethin Davies, Ifan Davies, Marc Davies, Meirion Davies, Rhodri Davies, Amanda Edwards, Endaf Edwards, Elaine Evans, Elizabeth Evans, Eryl Evans, Gwyn Wigley Evans, Raymond Evans, Rhodri Evans, Wyn Evans, Keith Henson, Hugh Hughes, Chris James, Gwyn James, Gareth Lewis, Maldwyn Lewis, Gareth Lloyd, Sian Maehrlein, Ann Bowen Morgan, Caryl Roberts, John Roberts, Mark Strong, Wyn Thomas, Matthew Vaux, Alun Williams, Carl Worrall, Keith Evans (37)

Against: (0)

Abstain: (0)

3. To approve the following in relation to Capital and Prudential Indicators:
 - a) The Capital Strategy, as set out in Appendix 4.
 - b) The Multi-year Capital Programme, as set out in Appendix 5.
 - c) The Prudential Indicators, as set out in the Appendix 6.
 - d) To delegate authority to the CLO: Finance & Procurement to effect movement within the total of the Authorised limit of external borrowing, and the Operational boundary.

A recorded vote was taken, as agreed and in accordance with Rule 14.5 of the Council Procedures Rules contained in the Council's Constitution on item 3.

For: Shelley Childs, Bryan Davies, Catrin M S Davies, Clive Davies, Euros Davies, Gareth Davies, Gethin Davies, Ifan Davies, Marc Davies, Meirion Davies, Rhodri Davies, Amanda Edwards, Endaf Edwards, Elaine Evans, Elizabeth Evans, Eryl Evans, Gwyn Wigley Evans, Raymond Evans, Rhodri Evans, Wyn Evans, Keith Henson, Hugh Hughes, Chris James, Gwyn James, Gareth Lewis, Maldwyn Lewis, Gareth Lloyd, Sian Maehrlein, Ann Bowen Morgan, Caryl Roberts, John Roberts, Mark Strong, Wyn Thomas, Matthew Vaux, Alun Williams, Carl Worrall, Keith Evans (37)

Against: (0)

Abstain: (0)

4. To note that in relation to the proposed Council Tax increase for the Ceredigion County Council component:

- a) The core Council Tax increase for Council Services is 4.3%.
 - b) The Mid & West Wales Fire Authority's approved 25/26 Fire levy for Ceredigion County Council is £5.836m (being an increase of 7.3%). This results in a £301k cost pressure on the Council's 25/26 Budget and is equivalent to a 0.6% Council Tax increase.
 - c) The impact of the Chancellor's decisions on Employers National insurance is equivalent to a 2.9% Council Tax increase.
 - d) Investment in the Waste Collection & Planning Enforcement Services is equivalent to a 1.5% Council Tax increase.
5. To levy a Band D Council Tax of £1,886.57 for 25/26 for Ceredigion County Council purposes, representing an increase of £160.52 (£13.38 per month) or 9.3%.

A recorded vote was taken, as agreed and in accordance with Rule 14.5 of the Council Procedures Rules contained in the Council's Constitution on item 5.

For: Shelley Childs, Bryan Davies, Catrin M S Davies, Clive Davies, Gareth Davies, Gethin Davies, Rhodri Davies, Amanda Edwards, Endaf Edwards, Elizabeth Evans, Eryl Evans, Keith Henson, Chris James, Maldwyn Lewis, Ann Bowen Morgan, Caryl Roberts, John Roberts, Mark Strong, Wyn Thomas, Matthew Vaux, Alun Williams, (21)

Against: Euros Davies, Ifan Davies, Marc Davies, Meirion Davies, Elaine Evans, Gwyn Wigley Evans, Raymond Evans, Rhodri Evans, Wyn Evans, Hugh Hughes, Gwyn James, Gareth Lewis, Gareth Lloyd, Sian Maehrlein, Carl Worrall, Keith Evans (16)

Abstain: (0)

6 To consider the report of the Corporate Lead Officer: Finance and Procurement upon Council Tax Setting for 2025/26

Councillor Gareth Davies, Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement presented the report to Council. Members enquired as to the frequency of payments to the Town and Community Council, and it was confirmed that payments are made in 3 equal instalments at the end of April, July and October.

Following a vote it was **RESOLVED**:

3.1 To note that at its meeting on 03/12/24 the following amounts were approved by the Council's Cabinet for the year 2025/26 in accordance with regulations made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

- (a) 34,421.81 being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Wales)

Regulations 1995, as amended by the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) and Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwellings) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2004, as its Council Tax Base for the area.

(b) PART OF THE COUNCIL'S AREA

| The Town and Community Council Areas of: | Council Tax Base | The Town and Community Council Areas of: | Council Tax Base |
|---|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| ABERYSTWYTH | 4,210.03 | TREGARON | 559.61 |
| ABERAERON | 829.24 | YSBYTY YSTWYTH | 225.02 |
| ABERTEIFI / CARDIGAN | 1,917.01 | YSTRAD FFLUR | 336.21 |
| LLANBEDR P.S. / LAMPETER | 1,024.63 | YSTRAD MEURIG | 165.10 |
| CEI NEWYDD / NEW QUAY | 946.14 | CILIAU AERON | 429.40 |
| BORTH | 839.90 | HENFYNYW | 531.50 |
| CEULANAMAESMAWR | 439.81 | LLANARTH | 753.15 |
| BLAENRHEIDOL | 214.71 | LLANDYSILOGOGO | 587.10 |
| GENEU'R GLYN | 363.41 | LLANFAIR CLYDOGAU | 311.45 |
| LLANBADARN FAWR | 904.06 | LLANFIHANGEL YSTRAD | 678.25 |
| LLANGYNFELIN | 279.45 | LLANGYBI | 285.02 |
| LLANFARIAN | 790.20 | LLANLLWCHAEARN | 526.90 |
| LLANGWYRYFON | 271.82 | LLANSANTFFRAED | 642.25 |
| LLANILAR | 493.80 | LLANWENOG | 608.48 |
| LLANRHYSTUD | 472.87 | LLANWNNEN | 225.21 |
| MELINDWR | 550.47 | DYFFRYN ARTH | 607.23 |
| PONTARFYNACH | 269.25 | ABERPORTH | 1,211.61 |
| TIRYMYNACH | 827.82 | BEULAH | 917.88 |
| TRAWSGOED | 467.11 | LLANDYFRIOG | 869.94 |
| TREFEURIG | 823.28 | LLANDYSUL | 1,294.87 |
| FAENOR | 827.17 | LLANGOEDMOR | 620.94 |
| YSGUBOR-Y-COED | 178.55 | LLANGRANNOG | 482.89 |
| LLANDDEWI BREFI | 311.35 | PENBRYN | 816.65 |
| LLANGEITHO | 380.13 | TROEDYRAUR | 686.92 |
| LLEDROD | 325.30 | Y FERWIG | 695.85 |
| NANTCWNLLE | 394.87 | | |

COUNCIL TAX BASE 34,421.81

being the amounts calculated by the Council, in accordance with Regulation 6 of the 1995 Regulations (as amended by the 2004 Regulations), as the amounts of its Council Tax Base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate;

3.2 To approve the amounts calculated by the Council for the year 2025/26 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as set out below:-

(a) £298,637,969 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2)(a) to (e) of the Act. This includes £180,000 in respect of National Non-Domestic Rates Relief.

(b) £87,793,000 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(3)(a) to (c) of the Act.

(c) £210,844,969 being the amount by which the aggregate at (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year.

(d) £144,224,579 being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its Council Fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates and its revenue support grant.

(e) £1,935.41 being the amount at (c) above, less the amount at (d) above divided by the Council Tax Base, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.

(f) £1,681,236 being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.

(g) £1,886.57 being the amount at (e) above less the result given by dividing the amount at (f) above by the Council Tax Base calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.

(h) PART OF THE COUNCIL'S AREA

| The Town and Community Council Areas of: | Basic Council Tax | The Town and Community Council Areas of: | Basic Council Tax |
|---|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| ABERYSTWYTH | 2,042.61 | TREGARON | 1,940.18 |
| ABERAERON | 1,947.72 | YSBYTY YSTWYTH | 1,897.68 |
| ABERTEIFI / CARDIGAN | 1,938.23 | YSTRAD FFLUR | 1,912.48 |
| LLANBEDR P.S. / LAMPETER | 1,945.13 | YSTRAD MEURIG | 1,901.57 |
| CEI NEWYDD / NEW QUAY | 1,933.07 | CILIAU AERON | 1,900.54 |
| BORTH | 1,932.20 | HENFYNYW | 1,899.74 |
| CEULANAMAESMAWR | 1,925.22 | LLANARTH | 1,903.22 |
| BLAENRHEIDOL | 1,906.52 | LLANDYSILOGOGO | 1,912.80 |
| GENEU'R GLYN | 1,915.46 | LLANFAIR CLYDOGAU | 1,909.05 |
| LLANBADARN FAWR | 1,952.94 | LLANFIHANGEL YSTRAD | 1,901.24 |
| LLANGYNFELIN | 1,916.09 | LLANGYBI | 1,905.13 |
| LLANFARIAN | 1,918.21 | LLANLLWCHAEARN | 1,909.18 |
| LLANGWYRYFON | 1,903.13 | LLANSANTFFRAED | 1,933.28 |
| LLANILAR | 1,901.76 | LLANWENOG | 1,907.93 |
| LLANRHYSTUD | 1,911.10 | LLANWNNEN | 1,903.21 |
| MELINDWR | 1,900.19 | DYFFRYN ARTH | 1,910.53 |
| PONTARFYNACH | 1,899.57 | ABERPORTH | 1,934.34 |
| TIRYMYNACH | 1,922.81 | BEULAH | 1,924.70 |
| TRAWSGOED | 1,898.56 | LLANDYFRIOG | 1,915.31 |
| TREFEURIG | 1,910.86 | LLANDYSUL | 1,928.28 |
| FAENOR | 1,927.41 | LLANGOEDMOR | 1,942.94 |
| YSGUBOR-Y-COED | 1,908.13 | LLANGRANNOG | 1,910.49 |
| LLANDDEWI BREFI | 1,944.38 | PENBRYN | 1,904.94 |
| LLANGEITHO | 1,901.04 | TROEDYRAUR | 1,901.13 |
| LLEDROD | 1,895.20 | Y FERWIG | 1,925.46 |
| NANTCWNLLE | 1,892.90 | | |

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3.2(g) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at

3.1(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

(i) PART OF THE COUNCIL'S AREA

| THE TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREAS OF:- | Band A £ | Band B £ | Band C £ | Band D £ | Band E £ | Band F £ | Band G £ | Band H £ | Band I £ |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Aberystwyth | 1361.74 | 1588.69 | 1815.65 | 2042.61 | 2496.53 | 2950.44 | 3404.35 | 4085.22 | 4766.09 |
| Aberaeron | 1298.48 | 1514.89 | 1731.31 | 1947.72 | 2380.55 | 2813.38 | 3246.20 | 3895.44 | 4544.68 |
| Aberteifi / Cardigan Llanbedr P.S. / Lampeter | 1292.15 | 1507.51 | 1722.87 | 1938.23 | 2368.95 | 2799.67 | 3230.38 | 3876.46 | 4522.54 |
| Cei Newydd / New Quay | 1296.75 | 1512.88 | 1729.00 | 1945.13 | 2377.38 | 2809.64 | 3241.88 | 3890.26 | 4538.64 |
| Borth | 1288.71 | 1503.50 | 1718.28 | 1933.07 | 2362.64 | 2792.22 | 3221.78 | 3866.14 | 4510.50 |
| Borth | 1288.13 | 1502.82 | 1717.51 | 1932.20 | 2361.58 | 2790.96 | 3220.33 | 3864.40 | 4508.47 |
| Ceulanamaesmawr | 1283.48 | 1497.39 | 1711.31 | 1925.22 | 2353.05 | 2780.88 | 3208.70 | 3850.44 | 4492.18 |
| Blaenrheidol | 1271.01 | 1482.85 | 1694.68 | 1906.52 | 2330.19 | 2753.87 | 3177.53 | 3813.04 | 4448.55 |
| Geneu'r Glyn | 1276.97 | 1489.80 | 1702.63 | 1915.46 | 2341.12 | 2766.78 | 3192.43 | 3830.92 | 4469.41 |
| Llanbadarn Fawr | 1301.96 | 1518.95 | 1735.95 | 1952.94 | 2386.93 | 2820.92 | 3254.90 | 3905.88 | 4556.86 |
| Llangynfelin | 1277.39 | 1490.29 | 1703.19 | 1916.09 | 2341.89 | 2767.69 | 3193.48 | 3832.18 | 4470.88 |
| Llanfarian | 1278.80 | 1491.94 | 1705.07 | 1918.21 | 2344.48 | 2770.75 | 3197.01 | 3836.42 | 4475.83 |
| Llangwryfon | 1268.75 | 1480.21 | 1691.67 | 1903.13 | 2326.05 | 2748.97 | 3171.88 | 3806.26 | 4440.64 |
| Llanilar | 1267.84 | 1479.14 | 1690.45 | 1901.76 | 2324.38 | 2746.99 | 3169.60 | 3803.52 | 4437.44 |
| Llanrhystud | 1274.06 | 1486.41 | 1698.75 | 1911.10 | 2335.79 | 2760.48 | 3185.16 | 3822.20 | 4459.24 |
| Melindwr | 1266.79 | 1477.92 | 1689.06 | 1900.19 | 2322.46 | 2744.72 | 3166.98 | 3800.38 | 4433.78 |
| Pontarfynach | 1266.38 | 1477.44 | 1688.51 | 1899.57 | 2321.70 | 2743.83 | 3165.95 | 3799.14 | 4432.33 |
| Tirymynach | 1281.87 | 1495.52 | 1709.16 | 1922.81 | 2350.10 | 2777.40 | 3204.68 | 3845.62 | 4486.56 |
| Trawsgoed | 1265.70 | 1476.66 | 1687.61 | 1898.56 | 2320.46 | 2742.37 | 3164.26 | 3797.12 | 4429.98 |
| Trefeurig | 1273.90 | 1486.22 | 1698.54 | 1910.86 | 2335.50 | 2760.14 | 3184.76 | 3821.72 | 4458.68 |
| Faenor | 1284.94 | 1499.09 | 1713.25 | 1927.41 | 2355.73 | 2784.04 | 3212.35 | 3854.82 | 4497.29 |
| Ysgubor-y-Coed | 1272.08 | 1484.10 | 1696.11 | 1908.13 | 2332.16 | 2756.19 | 3180.21 | 3816.26 | 4452.31 |
| Llanddewi Brefi | 1296.25 | 1512.29 | 1728.34 | 1944.38 | 2376.47 | 2808.55 | 3240.63 | 3888.76 | 4536.89 |
| Llangeitho | 1267.36 | 1478.58 | 1689.81 | 1901.04 | 2323.50 | 2745.95 | 3168.40 | 3802.08 | 4435.76 |
| Lledrod | 1263.46 | 1474.04 | 1684.62 | 1895.20 | 2316.36 | 2737.52 | 3158.66 | 3790.40 | 4422.14 |
| Nantcwnlle | 1261.93 | 1472.25 | 1682.58 | 1892.90 | 2313.55 | 2734.19 | 3154.83 | 3785.80 | 4416.77 |
| Tregaron | 1293.45 | 1509.03 | 1724.60 | 1940.18 | 2371.33 | 2802.49 | 3233.63 | 3880.36 | 4527.09 |
| Ysbyty Ystwyth | 1265.12 | 1475.97 | 1686.83 | 1897.68 | 2319.39 | 2741.10 | 3162.80 | 3795.36 | 4427.92 |
| Ystrad Fflur | 1274.98 | 1487.48 | 1699.98 | 1912.48 | 2337.48 | 2762.48 | 3187.46 | 3824.96 | 4462.46 |
| Ystrad Meurig | 1267.71 | 1479.00 | 1690.28 | 1901.57 | 2324.14 | 2746.72 | 3169.28 | 3803.14 | 4437.00 |
| Ciliau Aeron | 1267.02 | 1478.20 | 1689.37 | 1900.54 | 2322.88 | 2745.23 | 3167.56 | 3801.08 | 4434.60 |
| Henfynyw | 1266.49 | 1477.57 | 1688.66 | 1899.74 | 2321.91 | 2744.07 | 3166.23 | 3799.48 | 4432.73 |
| Llanarth | 1268.81 | 1480.28 | 1691.75 | 1903.22 | 2326.16 | 2749.10 | 3172.03 | 3806.44 | 4440.85 |
| Llandysiliogogo | 1275.20 | 1487.73 | 1700.27 | 1912.80 | 2337.87 | 2762.94 | 3188.00 | 3825.60 | 4463.20 |
| Llanfair Clydogau | 1272.70 | 1484.81 | 1696.93 | 1909.05 | 2333.29 | 2757.52 | 3181.75 | 3818.10 | 4454.45 |
| Llanfihangel Ystrad | 1267.49 | 1478.74 | 1689.99 | 1901.24 | 2323.74 | 2746.24 | 3168.73 | 3802.48 | 4436.23 |
| Llangybi | 1270.08 | 1481.77 | 1693.45 | 1905.13 | 2328.49 | 2751.86 | 3175.21 | 3810.26 | 4445.31 |
| Llanllwchaearn | 1272.78 | 1484.92 | 1697.05 | 1909.18 | 2333.44 | 2757.71 | 3181.96 | 3818.36 | 4454.76 |
| Llansantffraed | 1288.85 | 1503.66 | 1718.47 | 1933.28 | 2362.90 | 2792.52 | 3222.13 | 3866.56 | 4510.99 |
| Llanwenog | 1271.95 | 1483.94 | 1695.94 | 1907.93 | 2331.92 | 2755.90 | 3179.88 | 3815.86 | 4451.84 |

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| Llanwnnen | 1268.80 | 1480.27 | 1691.74 | 1903.21 | 2326.15 | 2749.09 | 3172.01 | 3806.42 | 4440.83 |
| Dyffryn Arth | 1273.68 | 1485.97 | 1698.25 | 1910.53 | 2335.09 | 2759.66 | 3184.21 | 3821.06 | 4457.91 |
| Aberporth | 1289.56 | 1504.48 | 1719.41 | 1934.34 | 2364.20 | 2794.05 | 3223.90 | 3868.68 | 4513.46 |
| Beulah | 1283.13 | 1496.99 | 1710.84 | 1924.70 | 2352.41 | 2780.13 | 3207.83 | 3849.40 | 4490.97 |
| Llandyfriog | 1276.87 | 1489.68 | 1702.50 | 1915.31 | 2340.94 | 2766.56 | 3192.18 | 3830.62 | 4469.06 |
| Llandysul | 1285.52 | 1499.77 | 1714.03 | 1928.28 | 2356.79 | 2785.30 | 3213.80 | 3856.56 | 4499.32 |
| Llangoedmor | 1295.29 | 1511.17 | 1727.06 | 1942.94 | 2374.71 | 2806.47 | 3238.23 | 3885.88 | 4533.53 |
| Llangrannog | 1273.66 | 1485.93 | 1698.21 | 1910.49 | 2335.05 | 2759.60 | 3184.15 | 3820.98 | 4457.81 |
| Penbryn | 1269.96 | 1481.62 | 1693.28 | 1904.94 | 2328.26 | 2751.58 | 3174.90 | 3809.88 | 4444.86 |
| Troedyraur | 1267.42 | 1478.65 | 1689.89 | 1901.13 | 2323.61 | 2746.08 | 3168.55 | 3802.26 | 4435.97 |
| Y Ferwig | 1283.64 | 1497.58 | 1711.52 | 1925.46 | 2353.34 | 2781.22 | 3209.10 | 3850.92 | 4492.74 |

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 3.2(h) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

3.3 To note the amounts in precepts issued to the Council by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Dyfed-Powys for 2025/26 in accordance with Section 47 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act, for each category of dwelling as shown below:-

**Dyfed-Powys Police Council Tax
VALUATION BANDS**

| A £ | B £ | C £ | D £ | E £ | F £ | G £ | H £ | I £ |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 240.4 5 | 280.5 3 | 320.6 0 | 360.6 8 | 440.8 3 | 520.9 8 | 601.1 3 | 721.3 6 | 841.5 9 |

3.4 To set the Council Tax in accordance with Section 30 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992. Having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 3.2(i) and 3.3 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts, which can be seen in Appendix A, as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2025/26 for each of the categories of dwellings.

| THE TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREAS OF: | Band A £ | Band B £ | Band C £ | Band D £ | Band E £ | Band F £ | Band G £ | Band H £ | Band I £ |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Aberystwyth | 1602.20 | 1869.22 | 2136.26 | 2403.29 | 2937.36 | 3471.42 | 4005.49 | 4806.58 | 5607.67 |
| Aberaeron | 1538.94 | 1795.42 | 2051.92 | 2308.40 | 2821.38 | 3334.36 | 3847.34 | 4616.80 | 5386.26 |
| Aberteifi / Cardigan Llanbedr P.S. / Lampeter | 1532.61 | 1788.04 | 2043.48 | 2298.91 | 2809.78 | 3320.65 | 3831.52 | 4597.82 | 5364.12 |
| Cei Newydd / New Quay | 1537.21 | 1793.41 | 2049.61 | 2305.81 | 2818.21 | 3330.62 | 3843.02 | 4611.62 | 5380.22 |
| Borth | 1529.17 | 1784.03 | 2038.89 | 2293.75 | 2803.47 | 3313.20 | 3822.92 | 4587.50 | 5352.08 |
| | 1528.59 | 1783.35 | 2038.12 | 2292.88 | 2802.41 | 3311.94 | 3821.47 | 4585.76 | 5350.05 |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Ceulanaesmawr | 1523.94 | 1777.92 | 2031.92 | 2285.90 | 2793.88 | 3301.86 | 3809.84 | 4571.80 | 5333.76 |
| Blaenheidol | 1511.47 | 1763.38 | 2015.29 | 2267.20 | 2771.02 | 3274.85 | 3778.67 | 4534.40 | 5290.13 |
| Geneu'r Glyn | 1517.43 | 1770.33 | 2023.24 | 2276.14 | 2781.95 | 3287.76 | 3793.57 | 4552.28 | 5310.99 |
| Llanbadarn Fawr | 1542.42 | 1799.48 | 2056.56 | 2313.62 | 2827.76 | 3341.90 | 3856.04 | 4627.24 | 5398.44 |
| Llangynfelin | 1517.85 | 1770.82 | 2023.80 | 2276.77 | 2782.72 | 3288.67 | 3794.62 | 4553.54 | 5312.46 |
| Llanfarian | 1519.26 | 1772.47 | 2025.68 | 2278.89 | 2785.31 | 3291.73 | 3798.15 | 4557.78 | 5317.41 |
| Llangwryfon | 1509.21 | 1760.74 | 2012.28 | 2263.81 | 2766.88 | 3269.95 | 3773.02 | 4527.62 | 5282.22 |
| Llanilar | 1508.30 | 1759.67 | 2011.06 | 2262.44 | 2765.21 | 3267.97 | 3770.74 | 4524.88 | 5279.02 |
| Llanrhystud | 1514.52 | 1766.94 | 2019.36 | 2271.78 | 2776.62 | 3281.46 | 3786.30 | 4543.56 | 5300.82 |
| Melindwr | 1507.25 | 1758.45 | 2009.67 | 2260.87 | 2763.29 | 3265.70 | 3768.12 | 4521.74 | 5275.36 |
| Pontarfynach | 1506.84 | 1757.97 | 2009.12 | 2260.25 | 2762.53 | 3264.81 | 3767.09 | 4520.50 | 5273.91 |
| Tirymynach | 1522.33 | 1776.05 | 2029.77 | 2283.49 | 2790.93 | 3298.38 | 3805.82 | 4566.98 | 5328.14 |
| Trawsgoed | 1506.16 | 1757.19 | 2008.22 | 2259.24 | 2761.29 | 3263.35 | 3765.40 | 4518.48 | 5271.56 |
| Trefeurig | 1514.36 | 1766.75 | 2019.15 | 2271.54 | 2776.33 | 3281.12 | 3785.90 | 4543.08 | 5300.26 |
| Faenor | 1525.40 | 1779.62 | 2033.86 | 2288.09 | 2796.56 | 3305.02 | 3813.49 | 4576.18 | 5338.87 |
| Ysgubor-y-Coed | 1512.54 | 1764.63 | 2016.72 | 2268.81 | 2772.99 | 3277.17 | 3781.35 | 4537.62 | 5293.89 |
| Llanddewi Brefi | 1536.71 | 1792.82 | 2048.95 | 2305.06 | 2817.30 | 3329.53 | 3841.77 | 4610.12 | 5378.47 |
| Llangeitho | 1507.82 | 1759.11 | 2010.42 | 2261.72 | 2764.33 | 3266.93 | 3769.54 | 4523.44 | 5277.34 |
| Lledrod | 1503.92 | 1754.57 | 2005.23 | 2255.88 | 2757.19 | 3258.50 | 3759.80 | 4511.76 | 5263.72 |
| Nantcwnlle | 1502.39 | 1752.78 | 2003.19 | 2253.58 | 2754.38 | 3255.17 | 3755.97 | 4507.16 | 5258.35 |
| Tregaron | 1533.91 | 1789.56 | 2045.21 | 2300.86 | 2812.16 | 3323.47 | 3834.77 | 4601.72 | 5368.67 |
| Ysbyty Ystwyth | 1505.58 | 1756.50 | 2007.44 | 2258.36 | 2760.22 | 3262.08 | 3763.94 | 4516.72 | 5269.50 |
| Ystrad Fflur | 1515.44 | 1768.01 | 2020.59 | 2273.16 | 2778.31 | 3283.46 | 3788.60 | 4546.32 | 5304.04 |
| Ystrad Meurig | 1508.17 | 1759.53 | 2010.89 | 2262.25 | 2764.97 | 3267.70 | 3770.42 | 4524.50 | 5278.58 |
| Ciliau Aeron | 1507.48 | 1758.73 | 2009.98 | 2261.22 | 2763.71 | 3266.21 | 3768.70 | 4522.44 | 5276.18 |
| Henfynyw | 1506.95 | 1758.10 | 2009.27 | 2260.42 | 2762.74 | 3265.05 | 3767.37 | 4520.84 | 5274.31 |
| Llanarth | 1509.27 | 1760.81 | 2012.36 | 2263.90 | 2766.99 | 3270.08 | 3773.17 | 4527.80 | 5282.43 |
| Llandysiliogogo | 1515.66 | 1768.26 | 2020.88 | 2273.48 | 2778.70 | 3283.92 | 3789.14 | 4546.96 | 5304.78 |
| Llanfair Clydogau | 1513.16 | 1765.34 | 2017.54 | 2269.73 | 2774.12 | 3278.50 | 3782.89 | 4539.46 | 5296.03 |
| Llanfihangel Ystrad | 1507.95 | 1759.27 | 2010.60 | 2261.92 | 2764.57 | 3267.22 | 3769.87 | 4523.84 | 5277.81 |
| Llangybi | 1510.54 | 1762.30 | 2014.06 | 2265.81 | 2769.32 | 3272.84 | 3776.35 | 4531.62 | 5286.89 |
| Llanllwchaearn | 1513.24 | 1765.45 | 2017.66 | 2269.86 | 2774.27 | 3278.69 | 3783.10 | 4539.72 | 5296.34 |
| Llansantffraed | 1529.31 | 1784.19 | 2039.08 | 2293.96 | 2803.73 | 3313.50 | 3823.27 | 4587.92 | 5352.57 |
| Llanwenog | 1512.41 | 1764.47 | 2016.55 | 2268.61 | 2772.75 | 3276.88 | 3781.02 | 4537.22 | 5293.42 |
| Llanwnnen | 1509.26 | 1760.80 | 2012.35 | 2263.89 | 2766.98 | 3270.07 | 3773.15 | 4527.78 | 5282.41 |
| Dyffryn Arth | 1514.14 | 1766.50 | 2018.86 | 2271.21 | 2775.92 | 3280.64 | 3785.35 | 4542.42 | 5299.49 |
| Aberporth | 1530.02 | 1785.01 | 2040.02 | 2295.02 | 2805.03 | 3315.03 | 3825.04 | 4590.04 | 5355.04 |
| Beulah | 1523.59 | 1777.52 | 2031.45 | 2285.38 | 2793.24 | 3301.11 | 3808.97 | 4570.76 | 5332.55 |
| Llandyfriog | 1517.33 | 1770.21 | 2023.11 | 2275.99 | 2781.77 | 3287.54 | 3793.32 | 4551.98 | 5310.64 |
| Llandysul | 1525.98 | 1780.30 | 2034.64 | 2288.96 | 2797.62 | 3306.28 | 3814.94 | 4577.92 | 5340.90 |
| Llangoedmor | 1535.75 | 1791.70 | 2047.67 | 2303.62 | 2815.54 | 3327.45 | 3839.37 | 4607.24 | 5375.11 |
| Llangrannog | 1514.12 | 1766.46 | 2018.82 | 2271.17 | 2775.88 | 3280.58 | 3785.29 | 4542.34 | 5299.39 |
| Penbryn | 1510.42 | 1762.15 | 2013.89 | 2265.62 | 2769.09 | 3272.56 | 3776.04 | 4531.24 | 5286.44 |
| Troedyrour | 1507.88 | 1759.18 | 2010.50 | 2261.81 | 2764.44 | 3267.06 | 3769.69 | 4523.62 | 5277.55 |
| Y Ferwig | 1524.10 | 1778.11 | 2032.13 | 2286.14 | 2794.17 | 3302.20 | 3810.24 | 4572.28 | 5334.32 |

7 To consider the report of the Corporate Lead Officer: Finance and Procurement upon the Treasury Management Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy for 2025/26

Councillor Gareth Davies, Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement presented the report to Council.

Following discussion and a vote it was **RESOLVED** to agree to the:

- a) approval of the Treasury Management Strategy for Borrowing and Investments for 2025/26
- b) approval of the Minimum Revenue Provision Policy for 2025/26; and
- c) delegate authority to the Section 151 officer in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement, to amend the Treasury Management Strategy, and Investment Schedule, during the course of the year.

8 To consider the report of the Corporate Lead officer: Legal and Governance upon Amendments to the Council's Constitution

Councillor Matthew Vaux, Cabinet Member for Partnerships, Housing, Legal and Governance and Public Protection presented the report to Council outlining the proposed changes to the Constitution.

Members asked for clarification on item 25 of Document H: Delegations to the Corporate Lead Officer Economy and Regeneration – “To determine planning applications where the same decision has been made within the past 12 months from the valid date and no changes have occurred”, asking whether it would apply where additional information has been provided. The Monitoring Officer confirmed that the delegation applied to applications where no changes have occurred.

Members also asked for clarification on item 28 of Part 3: Responsibility for Council Functions, which related to the power to determine (Town/Village) Green applications, pursuant to S15 Commons Act 2006. The Monitoring Officer confirmed that that this was for clarification in case of any future doubt or challenge, and that there had been no change to the current practice.

Following a discussion and a vote it was **RESOLVED** to:

1. approve the changes to the Constitution as set out in Appendix 1-6.
2. Authorise the Monitoring Officer to update the Council's Constitution to reflect the above changes.

Confirmed at the Meeting of the Council held on 20 March 2025

CHAIRMAN: _____