



## **Cyngor Cymuned Grosmont Community Council**

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 7.30pm  
in St Nicholas Church, Grosmont

**Present:** Cllr Lowri Wynn Morgan (Chair), Cllr. Nicholas Jones, Cllr. Jamie Edwards,  
Cllr. Witek Mintowt Czyz, Cllr. Jan Williams and Cllr. Margie Barker.

Three members of the public were also in attendance.

### **1. Apologies for absence**

Apologies from Cllr Alex Hill accepted.

### **2. Declarations of interest**

Deferred to specific issues as per policy.

### **3. To approve minutes**

1. Monthly meeting 04 November 2025. Minutes approved.
2. EGM 25 November 2025. Minutes approved.

### **4. To consider matters arising from the minutes**

There were no matters arising.

### **5. To consider issues pertaining to the Clerk**

1. The Council's laptop and records have been retrieved from the retiring Clerk.
2. One application & CV has been received from a suitably qualified applicant.
3. It was determined to proceed to interview expeditiously.

### **6. To consider matters relating to the Town Hall Project**

1. The 39th Highlight Report was received with additional comment from Mr Peter Clark.
2. The choice of colour of the windows was explained being dictated by the requirements of conservation.

### **7. To receive an update on the village shop**

There was no new development.

### **8. To consider matters relating to finance**

1. Approval of Payment Lists, consideration of Bank Reconciliation, discussion of the Budget and matters pertaining to Audit were all deferred in the absence of a Clerk.
2. The application for VAT registration has been put back and is likely to need to be restarted in consequence of a communications failure attributable to the fault of HMRC.

#### **9. To consider planning applications**

The one application received was approved without comment.

#### **10. To receive the Police Report & consider policing matters**

The Police report, previously circulated, was received. There were no matters specific to GCC area.

#### **11. To consider roads in and around Grosmont**

1. A temporary bridge at Mill Farm is operational.
2. The general dire state of roads remains unchanged.

#### **12. To consider footpaths**

No update.

#### **13. To consider the recruitment of a Clerk**

See item 5

#### **14. To receive items of correspondence**

No correspondence other than the application for the Clerk's position was available.

#### **15. Matters to be raised by members (AOB)**

1. Following grant of the relevant authority to erect a memorial bench on Kentchurch Estate land, Cllr Jones to enquire further from the proposer of the project about funding and future commitments.
2. The residents at the "Swiss Cottage" site have declined responsibility for the trees overhanging the road, confirming that their deeds show their boundary at the top of the slope at the fence line. In the absence of any extant Way Leave Agreement relating to the street lights on the relevant land, the presumption is that the land belongs to the County Council. Cllr Edwards to seek further clarification.
3. Mrs Chatfield, from the floor, informed the council that access to the Grosmont Castle would be restricted from February till September due to a requirement for the replacement of the bridge over the moat by CADW. The project would require closure of the road to the castle from time to time.

#### **16. To confirm the time and date of the next meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 10th February 2026 at 19.30hrs in St Nicholas Church.