Gladestry Community Council

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Draft minutes of the ordinary Gladestry Community Council meeting held at 7.30 pm on Monday 22nd September 2025 in Gladestry Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Ian Ball, Julie Davies (Chair), and Vivian Lloyd

Apologies: Cllrs Joseph Alman, Melvyn Hughes, Ed Jones (Vice Chair), Beck Lloyd

In attendance: Mr David Bridson (Temporary Clerk)

- Public participation: An opportunity for members of the public to address the council on items listed in the agenda.
 - None.
- To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting (205) held on 25th July 2025.
 - Approved. (Proposed by Cllr Ian Ball, seconded by Cllr Vivian Lloyd.)
- Matters arising from the Ordinary Meeting (204) held on 25th July 2025.
 - Cllr Julie Davies said she had received confirmation from Hannah Price that the school flagpole would be reinstated.
 - The council decided that grant-aided refurbishment of the village's K6 telephone box would be worth aiming for. (Proposed by Cllr Vivian Lloyd, seconded by Cllr Julie Davies.) The clerk said he would investigate possible sources of grants through PAVO.
 - The clerk said he'd been advised by Kenneth Waugh how to remove the defibrillator without setting off the alarm and had established that its batteries were out of date. He had identified which type of battery was required and would place an order for replacements in the morning.
 - Since Cllr Ed Jones could not attend the meeting to report on his raising the issue of the dangerous kerbing stones just beyond the lay-by alongside the school, the matter was deferred until the next meeting.
 - Councillors noted that Cllr Melvyn Hughes (though absent from this meeting) had confirmed that Powys Highways (or its contractors) had now trimmed the hedges along the stretch of the C road up to Stone House between Capel Anydd and the 20 MPH speed limit sign.

Planning.

There were no new planning applications to discuss,

Finance

- Councillors noted the accounts for the past two months without comment.
- Councillors approved a grant application from St Mary's Church, Gladestry for £500 to pay for two years' (2024 and 2025) grounds maintenance. (Proposed by Cllr Ian Ball, seconded by Cllr Vivian Lloyd.)
- Councillors deferred a decision on continuing the community council's membership of One Voice Wales until the clerk had received an invoice for its £82.00 fee.

Correspondence since last meeting

Councillors noted letters from Ms Lyndsey Austin and Ms Louise Rogers requesting intervention with Powys County Council on their behalf to query its decision to reroute school buses. Cllr Julie Davies suggested the clerk request more details from Ms Austin and Ms Rogers (mileage, etc) and post up a request on the Gladestry Noticeboard Facebook page for any other people affected by Powys's decision to come forward.

AOB

- Cllr Vivian Lloyd addressed the poor state of the local C Roads and suggested that the community council encouraged local residents to use the Powys County Council online reporting portal to make complaints about potholes.
- To receive items for the next Meeting (at 7.30 pm Monday 17nd November 2025).
 - No additional items.
- The meeting ended at 8.12 pm.