

NANTYGLO & BLAINA TOWN COUNCIL

CYNGOR TREF NANT-Y-GLO A BLAENAU

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Dear Member,

You are summoned to attend a hybrid meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee at the Council Chamber, Blaina Institute, High Street, Blaina to commence following the Planning and Highways Committee meeting on **Tuesday 14th July 2026**.

If any member of the public wishes to attend the meeting remotely, please contact the Town Clerk at the above email or phone by 3pm on Tuesday, 14th July 2026 for details of how to access the meeting.

Yours Sincerely

Town Clerk

A meeting to which members of the public are entitled to attend.

AGENDA

Declaration of Interest

Members are invited to declare matters of interest either at the beginning or at any time during the proceedings. Members are reminded that all declarations must be recorded in the book provided.

1. Apologies for absence:

Members are invited to consider the apologies for absence and to formally resolve to accept.

2. Questions from the Public:

To receive any questions from the public regarding matters itemised on the agenda (limited to 10 minutes total).

3. Correspondence:

Members are invited to consider the listed correspondence, plus with the Chairman's permission, any urgent information that may be received prior to the date of the meeting.

a) **New Training Dates – Wendi Patience (for information/consideration – copy attached):**

Members are invited to attend training courses and to email Council Office with courses they wish to attend.

b) **Update on additional Playscheme sessions for 2026:**

During a meeting with Claire Smith, Childcare and Play Manager, we discussed the play sessions Nantyglo and Blaina Town Council resolved to fund for the Summer of 2026. Claire updated that this is not just play sessions during the summer holidays, but also provides play sessions during October half term, February half term, and both weeks of the Easter break. The sessions in the summer holidays will alternate between Duffryn Park and either Winchestown or Banner Park dependant on permissions.

Claire also updated that they run a 'Paint Your Park' scheme where volunteers can paint up a local park to give it a makeover and help it feel fresh and new. They provide expert instruction, the paints and other equipment they require community groups to assist and provide manpower. Perhaps some Councillors would like to organise a get together give one of the parks in Nantyglo or Blaina a freshen up.

4. S.137 donations (Local Government Act 1972 & Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015:

As previously resolved, Members are invited to consider making further financial donations to Blaenau Gwent Foodbank to assist residents of Nantyglo and Blaina for the month of July 2026.

5. Application to the Community Grant Fund:

Members are invited to consider the listed application(s), plus with the Chairman's permission any additional applications that may be received prior to the date of the meeting. Members are also reminded that applications will need to be considered in conjunction with the current policy.

No applications received to this date.

6. Expenditure Report for June 2026 (copy attached):

Members are invited to consider, and if appropriate approve the Expenditure Report for June 2026.

7. Application of Petty Cash to Mayoral Fund.

A small amount of undeclared money was found in the safe and the Town Clerk deposited to the Mayoral Fund to the Mayor's chosen charity.

Item 5a)

Please find below details of Remote training sessions that are taking place in June -
September 2026 please bring this to the attention of your council.

The cost of the training is £44 for members or £66 per person for non-members. You will be invoiced after the training has taken place.

There is a bursary available to eligible councils.

Session times are listed against the module date – Please note all training sessions are in English unless otherwise stated.

Modules highlighted in Red fall under the free places scheme for Councillors, details attached

Date	Day	Module	Time
07/07/2026	Tuesday	New Councillor Induction	6.30-8.00pm
22/07/2026	Wednesday	New Councillor Induction	6.30-8.00pm
06/08/2026	Thursday	New Councillor Induction	6.30-8.00pm
17/08/2026	Monday	New Councillor Induction	6.30-8.00pm
02/09/2026	Wednesday	New Councillor Induction	6.30-8.00pm
07/09/2026	Monday	New Councillor Induction	6.30-8.00pm
15/09/2026	Tuesday	New Councillor Induction	6.30-8.00pm
01/10/2026	Thursday	New Councillor Induction	6.30-8.00pm

01/07/2026	Wednesday	The Council - Module 1	6.30-8.00pm
06/07/2026	Monday	The Council - Module 1	6.30-8.00pm

15/07/2026	Wednesday	The Council - Module 1	6.30-8.00pm
04/08/2026	Tuesday	The Council - Module 1	6.30-8.00pm
20/08/2026	Thursday	The Council - Module 1	6.30-8.00pm
02/09/2026	Wednesday	The Council - Module 1	6.30-8.00pm
22/09/2026	Tuesday	The Council - Module 1	6.30-8.00pm

08/07/2026	Wednesday	The Councillor - Module 2	6.30-8.00pm
14/07/2026	Tuesday	The Councillor - Module 2	6.30-8.00pm
21/07/2026	Tuesday	The Councillor - Module 2	6.30-8.00pm
06/08/2026	Thursday	The Councillor - Module 2	6.30-8.00pm
17/08/2026	Monday	The Councillor - Module 2	6.30-8.00pm
16/09/2026	Wednesday	The Councillor - Module 2	2.00-3.30pm

16/07/2026	Thursday	The Council as an Employer - Module 3	6.30-8.00pm
27/07/2026	Monday	The Council as an Employer - Module 3 in Welsh	6.30-8.00pm
06/08/2026	Thursday	The Council as an Employer - Module 3	6.30-8.00pm
12/08/2026	Wednesday	The Council as an Employer - Module 3	6.30-8.00pm
25/08/2026	Tuesday	The Council as an Employer - Module 3	6.30-8.00pm
09/09/2026	Wednesday	The Council as an Employer - Module 3	6.30-8.00pm
14/09/2026	Monday	The Council as an Employer - Module 3	6.30-8.00pm

24/09/2026	Thursday	The Council as an Employer - Module 3	6.30-8.00pm
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14/07/2026	Tuesday	Understanding the Law - Module 4	6.30-8.00pm
30/07/2026	Thursday	Understanding the Law - Module 4	6.30-8.00pm
05/08/2026	Wednesday	Understanding the Law - Module 4	6.30-8.00pm
13/08/2026	Thursday	Understanding the Law - Module 4	6.30-8.00pm
24/08/2026	Monday	Understanding the Law - Module 4	6.30-8.00pm
08/09/2026	Tuesday	Understanding the Law - Module 4	6.30-8.00pm
22/09/2026	Tuesday	Understanding the Law - Module 4 in Welsh	6.30-8.00pm
23/09/2026	Wednesday	Understanding the Law - Module 4	6.30-8.00pm

07/07/2026	Tuesday	The Council Meeting - Module 5	6.30-8.00pm
22/07/2026	Wednesday	The Council Meeting - Module 5	6.30-8.00pm
13/08/2026	Thursday	The Council Meeting - Module 5	6.30-8.00pm
18/08/2026	Tuesday	The Council Meeting - Module 5	6.30-8.00pm
01/09/2026	Tuesday	The Council Meeting - Module 5	6.30-8.00pm
14/09/2026	Monday	The Council Meeting - Module 5	6.30-8.00pm

13/07/2026	Monday	Local Government Finance - Module 6	6.30-8.00pm
28/07/2026	Tuesday	Local Government Finance - Module 6	6.30-8.00pm
19/08/2026	Wednesday	Local Government Finance - Module 6	6.30-8.00pm

25/08/2026	Tuesday	Local Government Finance - Module 6	6.30-8.00pm
03/09/2026	Thursday	Local Government Finance - Module 6	6.30-8.00pm
14/09/2026	Monday	Local Government Finance - Module 6	6.30-8.00pm
29/09/2026	Tuesday	Local Government Finance - Module 6	6.30-8.00pm

23/07/2026	Thursday	Health & Safety - Module 7	6.30-8.00pm
24/08/2026	Monday	Health & Safety - Module 7	6.30-8.00pm
16/09/2026	Wednesday	Health & Safety - Module 7	6.30-8.00pm

23/07/2026	Thursday	Introduction to Community Engagement - Module 8	6.30-8.00pm
19/08/2026	Wednesday	Introduction to Community Engagement - Module 8	2.0-3.30pm
17/09/2026	Thursday	Introduction to Community Engagement - Module 8	6.30-8.00pm

13/07/2026	Monday	Code of Conduct - Module 9 in Welsh	6.30-8.00pm
16/07/2026	Thursday	Code of Conduct - Module 9	6.30-8.00pm
29/07/2026	Wednesday	Code of Conduct - Module 9	6.30-8.00pm
03/08/2026	Monday	Code of Conduct - Module 9	6.30-8.00pm
18/08/2026	Tuesday	Code of Conduct - Module 9	6.30-8.00pm
31/08/2026	Monday	Code of Conduct - Module 9	6.30-8.00pm
10/09/2026	Thursday	Code of Conduct - Module 9	6.30-8.00pm

15/09/2026	Tuesday	Code of Conduct - Module 9 in Welsh	6.30-8.00pm
29/09/2026	Tuesday	Code of Conduct - Module 9	6.30-8.00pm

02/07/2026	Thursday	Chairing Skills - Module 10	6.30-8.00pm
15/07/2026	Wednesday	Chairing Skills Module 10	6.30-8.00pm
21/07/2026	Tuesday	Chairing Skills Module 10 in Welsh	6.30-8.00pm
30/07/2026	Thursday	Chairing Skills Module 10	6.30-8.00pm
11/08/2026	Tuesday	Chairing Skills Module 10	6.30-8.00pm
24/08/2026	Monday	Chairing Skills Module 10	6.30-8.00pm
09/09/2026	Wednesday	Chairing Skills Module 10	6.30-8.00pm
24/09/2026	Thursday	Chairing Skills Module 10	6.30-8.00pm

08/07/2026	Wednesday	Creating a Community Place Plan - Module 12	6.30-8.00pm
27/08/2026	Thursday	Creating a Community Place Plan - Module 12	6.30-8.00pm
15/09/2026	Tuesday	Creating a Community Place Plan - Module 12	6.30-8.00pm

11/08/2026	Tuesday	Community Engagement Part II - Module 13	6.30-8.00pm
07/09/2026	Monday	Community Engagement Part II - Module 13	6.30-8.00pm
28/09/2026	Monday	Community Engagement Part II - Module 13	6.30-8.00pm

15/07/2026	Wednesday	Equality & Diversity - Module 14	6.30-8.00pm
01/09/2026	Tuesday	Equality & Diversity - Module 14	6.30-8.00pm
28/09/2026	Monday	Equality & Diversity - Module 14	6.30-8.00pm

09/07/2026	Thursday	Information Management - Module 15	6.30-8.00pm
12/08/2026	Wednesday	Information Management - Module 15	2.00-3.30pm
21/09/2026	Monday	Information Management - Module 15	6.30-8.00pm

09/07/2026	Thursday	Use of IT, Websites & Social Media - Module 16	6.30-8.00pm
27/07/2026	Monday	Use of IT, Websites & Social Media - Module 16	6.30-8.00pm
29/09/2026	Tuesday	Use of IT, Websites & Social Media - Module 16	6.30-8.00pm

20/07/2026	Monday	Making Effective Grant Applications - Module 17	6.30-8.00pm
19/08/2026	Wednesday	Making Effective Grant Applications - Module 17	6.30-8.00pm
22/09/2026	Tuesday	Making Effective Grant Applications - Module 17	6.30-8.00pm

04/08/2026	Tuesday	Effective Staff Management - Module 18	6.30-8.00pm
02/09/2026	Wednesday	Effective Staff Management - Module 18	2.00-3.30pm

21/09/2026	Monday	Effective Staff Management - Module 18	6.30-8.00pm
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03/08/2026	Monday	Devolution of Services/CAT - Module 19	6.30-8.00pm
23/09/2026	Wednesday	Devolution of Services/CAT - Module 19	6.30-8.00pm

26/08/2026	Wednesday	Well-being of Future Generations - Module 20	6.30-8.00yh
30/09/2026	Wednesday	Well-being of Future Generations - Module 20	6.30-8.00yh

22/06/2026	Monday	Advanced Local Government Finance - Module 21	6.30-8.00pm
06/07/2026	Monday	Advanced Local Government Finance - Module 21	6.30-8.00pm
12/08/2026	Wednesday	Advanced Local Government Finance - Module 21	6.30-8.00pm
08/09/2026	Tuesday	Advanced Local Government Finance - Module 21	6.30-8.00pm
01/10/2026	Thursday	Advanced Local Government Finance - Module 21	6.30-8.00pm

15/07/2026	Wednesday	Community Asset Transfer - Module 23	6.30-8.00pm
19/08/2026	Wednesday	Community Asset Transfer - Module 23	6.30-8.00pm
16/09/2026	Wednesday	Community Asset Transfer - Module 23	6.30-8.00pm

20/07/2026	Monday	Finance and Governance Toolkit - Module 24	6.30-8.00pm
12/08/2026	Wednesday	Finance and Governance Toolkit - Module 24	6.30-8.00pm
01/09/2026	Tuesday	Finance and Governance Toolkit - Module 24	6.30-8.00pm
10/09/2026	Thursday	Finance and Governance Toolkit - Module 24	6.30-8.00pm
24/09/2026	Thursday	Finance and Governance Toolkit - Module 24	6.30-8.00pm

06/07/2026	Monday	Biodiversity Part 1 - Module 25	6.30-8.00pm
29/07/2026	Wednesday	Biodiversity Part 1 - Module 25	6.30-8.00pm
10/08/2026	Monday	Biodiversity Part 1 - Module 25	6.30-8.00pm
25/08/2026	Tuesday	Biodiversity Part 1 - Module 25	6.30-8.00pm
08/09/2026	Tuesday	Biodiversity Part 1 - Module 25	6.30-8.00pm

14/07/2026	Tuesday	Biodiversity Part 2 - Module 26	6.30-8.00pm
05/08/2026	Wednesday	Biodiversity Part 2 - Module 26	6.30-8.00pm
17/09/2026	Thursday	Biodiversity Part 2 - Module 26	6.30-8.00pm

21/07/2026	Tuesday	Nature Project Managment - Module 27	6.30-8.00pm
03/09/2026	Thursday	Nature Project Managment - Module 27	6.30-8.00pm

06/07/2026	Monday	Digital Foundations - Module 29	6.30-8.00pm
11/08/2026	Tuesday	Digital Foundations - Module 29	6.30-8.00pm
09/09/2026	Wednesday	Digital Foundations - Module 29	6.30-8.00pm

04/08/2026	Tuesday	Digital Basics to Confident Practice - Module 30	6.30-8.00pm
26/08/2026	Wednesday	Digital Basics to Confident Practice - Module 30	6.30-8.00pm
28/09/2026	Monday	Digital Basics to Confident Practice - Module 30	6.30-8.00pm

Please don't hesitate to contact me via email to make a booking.

Annwyl Gyfaill,

Wele isod fanylion sesiynau hyfforddiant o bell a gynhelir yn Gorffennaf - Medi 2026

Cost yr hyfforddiant yw £44 i aelodau neu £66 y person i unrhyw un arall. Danfonir anfoneb atoch ar ôl i'r hyfforddiant ddigwydd.

Mae bwrsari ar gael i gynghorau cymwys – gofynnwch am fanylion.

Rhestrir amserau sesiynau ar gyfer dyddiadau'r modylau..

Mae'r modiwlau sydd wedi'u hamlygu mewn coch yn dod o dan y cynllun lleoedd am ddim ar gyfer Cynghorwyr; mae'r manylion ynghlwm

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EXPENSE REPORT - JULY 2026

Monthly Expenditure to be ratified for JUNE 2026 2026-2027 budget = £105,543

Payment To	Description	Amount	Method
Lloyds Bank	Monthly Bank Charge	£4.25	D/D
Orbit IT	Monthly Charge	£10.08	O/L
BG FB	Blaenau Gwent Food Bank	£200.00	O/L
Digihub Wales	Photocopies and connectivity	£36.00	O/L
Payroll	Councillor Payments (x6)	£2,855.40	O/L
Payroll	Staff Wages (x3)	£3,130.36	O/L
HMRC	Tax & NI (Staff & Councillor)	£1,118.31	O/L
TCBC	Pensions	£1,072.07	O/L
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		£8,426.47	

	Expenditure total	% of Budget	YTD Expenditure	YTD % of Budget
April	£5,726.31	5.43		
May	£9,834.88	9.32	£15,561.19	14.74
June	£8,426.47	7.98	£23,987.66	22.73
July				
Aug				
Sept				
Oct				
Nov				
Dec				
Jan				
Feb				
Mar				
Total				

Year to date total expenditure for s.137 = £600.00
s.137 payments limit is £76,873.20
[(approx number of electors) 6627 x £11.60 (amount per elector) as of February 2026 provided by BGCBC]

Schedule of accounts submitted to council on: 14th July 2026

Upcoming Payments for approval for JULY 2026

Please note this is based on known charges, additional expenditure may be required.

Payment for	Description	Amount	Method
Lloyds Bank	Monthly Bank Charge	£4.25	D/D
Orbit IT	Monthly Charge	£10.08	O/L
BG FB	Blaenau Gwent Food Bank	£200.00	O/L
Ysgol Bro Helyg	Grant Application	£100.00	O/L
M H Cinema	Summer Cinema Screenings	£2,100.00	O/L
Viking	Stationery	£124.68	O/L
J Hallam	Insurance Payment (annual)	£4,049.99	O/L
Payroll	Councillor Payments P1 (10)	£2,815.00	O/L
Payroll	Staff Wages (3)		O/L
HMRC	Tax & NI (Staff & Councillor)		O/L
TCBC	Pensions		O/L

TOTAL EXPENDITURE £9,404.00