



Minutes of the Coetir Mynydd Annual General Meeting 2025-6

Friday 27th March 2026, 19:00 at St.Mary's church, Mynydd Llandygai

Present at the meeting: Bryan Dickinson, Jenny Wong, Maggie Adam, Gabe Wyn, Lynn Coulsting, Jean Williams, Sian Turner, Tim Radford

The meeting was chaired by Jenny Wong, minutes taken by Bryan Dickinson

No.	Item	Notes
1	Apologies	Mike Vitkovitch, John Turner, Chris Allen, Manon...
2	Minutes of the last meeting	No corrections to last year's minutes have been received, so are accepted. BD said that in future, all minutes would be shared via email to all members shortly after each AGM
3	Treasurer's report	Copies of the Treasurer's report for the past financial year (1/11/2024 to 31/10/2025) were provided to the attendees. BD summarised the report and noted that there had been a slight decrease in membership (partly due to failed direct debit arrangements). A small sum had been received from selling apple seedlings and a donation from a TV company filming Am Dro in Parc yr Ocar. The only costs were the regular payments for website hosting and woodland insurance. As the dam survey is coming up in 2029 the group needs to consider how to raise funds for this as it is likely to cost in the region of £5000. Bryan mentioned that transfer of the post of Treasurer was still to be completed.
4	Annual report	<p>A copy of the annual report dated March 2026 was provided to attendees and JW and BD summarised various issues, including: maintenance of the footpaths and fencing in Parc yr Ocar, activities carried out including invasive species control (Himalayan Balsam & Mink). Gabe Wynn offered to carry out a survey of the invasive American Skunk Cabbage in the area and carry out some removal & publicity about this species.</p> <p>CA summarised Pied Flycatcher nesting success in Parc yr Ocar, with 2 of the nestboxes being occupied, but as far as is known, no natural sites, being occupied in 2025.</p> <p>Dam monitoring was being carried out regularly by visual inspections of the vegetation, and by checking measurements of 'tell-tales' place on the dam crest.</p> <p>JW summarised the current status of the hydro development, which has been slow. However, there have been recent discussions with Ynni Ogwen who are willing to take over the project so that Egni Mynydd can be wound down. There</p>

		<p>have been changes in government funding prospects which now make the project more feasible. The transfer of the Galedfrrwd project should facilitate the return of the £14k loan + 5% annual interest made by Coetir Mynydd to Egni Mynydd when it was founded.</p> <p>JW then explained the activities that took place under “Coetiroedd Ogwen” funded by National Forest (Heritage Lottery). These included setting up a citizen science project recording Large Oak trees in Dyffryn Ogwen (Derw Ogwen) and an online community mapping app (MapOgwen).</p> <p>Other activities included fence repairs along Parc yr Ynys, purchase of footpath pedestrian counters, tree planting at Geufron, Ty Cerrig & Ty’n y Clwt, renovation of a community greenhouse space at Cerrig y Fedwen, and an sound-and-word arts project based around Bryn Meurig run by poet Martin Daws.</p>
5	Election of the Board	The current board was re-elected for the following year.
6	Forward plans	BD mentioned that ongoing Himalayan Balsam control would be carried out and further tree seed collections would be done in the autumn. JW pointed out that we need to recruit new volunteers and ideally Board members to re-invigorate project and funded activities both within Parc yr Ocar and as a partner in Dyffryn Ogwen-wide woodland projects.
7	AOB	<p>Lynn Coulsting requested that some sycamore that are potentially affecting her wall bordering onto Parc yr Ynys be examined and reduced if needed. This had been noted at the previous AGM but no action had been taken. BD agreed to inspect the trees to assess what needed to be done.</p> <p>Tim Radford offered a vote of thanks to JW, BD and the board for their work over the last year.</p>
	Close	The meeting closed at 9 pm