



Agenda

Bedlinog Community Centre
Garth Terrace
Bedlinog CF46 6TF

Email: clerk@bedlinogtrelewis-cc.gov.wales

09 July 2026

Dear Councillor,

A **BTCC Events Meeting** of the **COUNCIL** will be held at **6:30 PM** on **Monday, June 15, 2026**, at **Microsoft Teams Meeting**.

Yours faithfully

James, Ryan

Clerk to the Council

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#	Topic	Files	Presenter	Minutes
1 / 2026	To Receive any Apologies for Absence For Decision	Files (0)		Apologies were received from Christina Jones (co-opted member).

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2 / 2026	To Receive Declarations of Personal/Prejudicial Interest For Information	Files (0)		There were none.

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3 / 2026	To Discuss the National Play Day Event 2026 For Discussion	Files (0)		A discussion was held on timings regarding the event on Wednesday 5 th August. Volunteer requirements were discussed and where they would be placed. Food provision, and activities were discussed. A concern was raised around potential parking issues with Trelewis Community Centre car park having to be closed to accommodate the food trucks etc. Further consideration needs to be made regarding nearby parking opportunities.

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4 / 2026	To Discuss the Glow in the Park Event 2026 For Discussion	Files (0)		It was confirmed that the event will take place on Friday 20 th November. The Clerk will make the relevant arrangements with MTCBC and ESAG committee.

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5 / 2026	To Discuss the Christmas Fayre 2026 For Discussion	Files (.0)		It was confirmed that the event will take place Saturday 28 th November at RockUK Climbing Centre.

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6 / 2026	To Note Date of Next Committee Meeting For Information	Files (0)		A further meeting will be arranged prior to the National Play Day event.

Date: 22/06/2026

Time: 6:15 PM - 7:45 PM

Location: Bedlinog Community Council/Microsoft Teams Meeting

Group: Bedlinog & Trelewis Community Council

Present: Cllrs Searl (Chair), Preston, Dawson, and Thomas. In Attendance: Ryan James (Clerk), Ryan Morgan (Director of Education, MTCBC)

#	Topic	Files	Presenter	Minutes
203	To Receive any Apologies for Absence For Decision	Files (0)		Apologies were received from Cllrs Jago, Beard, Brown, Frayne, and Matthews.
204	To Receive Declarations of Personal/Prejudicial Interest For Information	Files (0)		There were none.
205	To Receive Representations/Questions from the Public For Information	Files (0)		There were none.
206	To Receive an Update from the Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council, Director of Education, on the Education Strategy For Information	Files (0)		Ryan Morgan, the Director of Education at MTCBC, presented an overview of the current education strategy for Merthyr Tydfil and the work to develop a new strategy. The existing five-year RARS strategy had been launched in 2020-2021 in response to variable school standards, socioeconomic challenges, poverty, health issues and the impact of COVID-19. Its aims by 2026 included high aspirations, engaging and relevant learning, strong wellbeing, successful progression into employment or training, and independent and resilient learners. Ryan outlined the two overarching themes of the current strategy, which were partnership and collaboration across schools and communities, and pandemic recovery focused on lost learning, closing gaps and strengthening transitions into post-16 education and employment. There were five key goals covering governance, workforce development, learner health and wellbeing, achievement and progression, and learning environments, underpinned by cross-cutting priorities such as equity and deprivation, wellbeing, digital inclusion, Welsh language and partnership working. Ryan described the consultation timeline for the new strategy. In May, online consultations were held with elected members, parents and carers, headteachers, school staff, pupils and the public. In June, there was a focus on pupil feedback, feedback from education staff and scrutiny workshops, including this community council session. July was to be used to summarise responses and set new goals, with schools advising on implementation. Over August, a draft strategy would be developed, to go to cabinet, scrutiny and other stakeholders before final cabinet approval in October and a planned launch on 20th November 2026. Ryan reported key consultation findings. Stakeholders recognised strong staff commitment in schools and improved collaboration across clusters and phases. They noted a clearer focus on wellbeing and raising aspirations, more work on children's and young people's mental health, ongoing development of teaching practice, more wider learning experiences, and a willingness to work in partnership. Areas for development included maintaining a strong focus on teaching and learning quality, strengthening inclusion and early intervention for additional learning needs, improving attendance and engagement, widening equitable access to apprenticeships, training and local employment, enhancing digital skills provision and continuing investment in school buildings and environments. Many parents, residents and some newer staff had not previously been aware of the strategy, highlighting the need for better communication. Ryan shared the emerging vision for the new strategy: "every learner thriving, every school strong, every community engaged". They invited councillors to email further views so the strategy would reflect community needs and remain responsive, with an annual review so it did not become a static, out-of-date document. Community Councillors raised questions about language and content of the strategy, practical issues for schools and future priorities, inspection regime for home schooling, and impact of national policy and Welsh language.
207	To Note any Reports from the Police Representative For Information	Files (0)		The clerk advised that no report had been received from the Police. A discussion took place regarding ongoing concerns about local drug use, antisocial behaviour, and scrambler motorbikes. Councillors noted that residents often felt nothing happened when issues were reported, leading to disengagement from PACT meetings. ACTION: Councillors requested the Clerk invite the Sergeant to a future meeting.
208	To Approve Minutes of the Meeting held 11 May 2026 For Decision	Files (1)		DECISION: Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held 11 May 2026 be approved.

209	To Receive any Matters Arising from the Minutes For Information	Files (0)		The Clerk updated on the following items: 193 – The Internal Auditor had been appointed and the internal audit completed. 198 – Grant applications for Taff Bargoed Angling Association and Bedlinog Football Club had been paid. 200 – Costs for public noticeboards had been identified and would be added to the next agenda for approval. The Clerk asked Cllrs to start thinking about potential locations in Bedlinog and Trelewis. The Clerk also advised that he would be meeting with the Regeneration Team and Highways to discuss the potential toddler bike park.
210	To Approve Payments and Receipts dated 07-05-2026 to 16-06-2026 For Decision	Files (1)		DECISION: Resolved that the payments and receipts dated 07-05-2026 to 16-06-2026 be approved.
211	To Note the Internal Auditors Report and Discuss any Recommendations within the Report For Decision	Files (0)		DECISION: Resolved that the Internal Auditors Report be noted along with the recommendations within the report. The recommendation to have a 'search' facility on the website was rejected due to additional cost to have this setup, and with it being outside of the scope of the internal audit.
212	To Approve the Annual Governance Statement for FY2025-2026 For Decision	Files (0)		DECISION: Resolved that the Annual Governance Statement for FY2025-2026 be approved.
213	To Consider any Planning Applications For Decision	Files (0)		There were none.
214	To Receive any Updates from Councillors For Information	Files (0)		Cllr Gill Preston reported that local map boards produced by a teacher at Afon Taf school had become "a bit dilapidated". Cllr Preston has contacted the teacher, who remained in post and was exploring updating or replacing the maps, and the Council welcomed this. Cllr Dawson described plans for a Local Access Forum meeting to be held at Nant Llwynog Park on 8th July, involving an outdoor tour followed by tea and cake, and a formal meeting. There was extensive discussion about grass cutting and maintenance. Cllr Preston said long grass in the park meant older children could not play football properly, as the ball could not be seen. She reported that grass had finally been cut that day, and some of the park edges, but that "they still can't play football there" because only strips and edges had been mown. Cllr Dawson expressed concern that campaigns such as "No Mow May" and "Bloom for June" might be used to justify infrequent cutting, to the detriment of children and park users.
215	To Note the Date of Next Meeting For Information	Files (0)		The next meeting will be held Monday 13th July.



Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for a Proposed use or development.
Town and Country Planning Act 1990: Section 192, as amended by section 10 of the Planning and Compensation act 1991.

Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Wales) Order 2012

You can complete and submit this form electronically via the Planning Portal by visiting www.planningportal.gov.uk/apply

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Please complete using block capitals and black ink.

It is important that you read the accompanying guidance notes as incorrect completion will delay the processing of your application.

1. Applicant Name and Address

Title:	MR	First name:	MATTHEW
Last name:	WHITTAKER		
Company (optional):			
Unit:		House number:	17
		House suffix:	
House name:			
Address 1:	BEECHCROFT		
Address 2:	TRELEWIS		
Address 3:			
Town:	TREHARRIS		
County:	MERTHYR TYDFIL		
Country:			
Postcode:	CF46 6BP		

2. Agent Name and Address

Title:		First name:	
Last name:			
Company (optional):			
Unit:		House number:	
		House suffix:	
House name:	N		
Address 1:	A		
Address 2:			
Address 3:			
Town:			
County:			
Country:			
Postcode:			

3. Site Address Details

Please provide the full postal address of the application site.

Unit: House number: House suffix:

House name:

Address 1:

Address 2:

Address 3:

Town:

County:

Postcode (optional):

Description of location or a grid reference.
(must be completed if postcode is not known):

Easting: Northing:

Description:

4. Pre-application Advice

Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given. (This will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently).
Please tick if the full contact details are not known, and then complete as much as possible: ☐

Officer name:

Reference:

Date DD/MM/YYYY:
(must be pre-application submission)

Details of pre-application advice received?

5. Lawful Development Certificate - Interest In Land

Please state the applicant's interest in the land?

Owner: ☒ Yes ☐ No Lessee: ☐ Yes ☐ No Occupier: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes to Lessee or Occupier please give details of the owner and state whether they have been informed in writing of this application:

Name	Address	Have they been informed in writing of the application	
		Yes	No
N/A		☐	☐

if No to all the above, please give name and addresses of anyone you know who has an interest in the land:

Name	Address	Nature of interest in the land	Have they been informed of the application?		if they have not been informed of the application please explain why not
			Yes	No	
			☐	☐	
	N/A		☐	☐	
			☐	☐	
			☐	☐	

6. Authority Employee / Member

With respect to the Authority, I am:

- a) a member of staff c) related to a member of staff
- b) an elected member d) related to an elected member

Do any of these statements apply to you?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, please provide details of the name, relationship and role

7. Grounds For Application

Information About The Existing Use(s)

Please explain why you consider the existing or last use of the land is lawful, or why you consider that any existing buildings, which it is proposed to alter, or extend are lawful

The proposed pergola does not exceed 50% of total area of the curtilage.
All heights & measurements are within the restrictions & conditions required.
Our property is as originally built with no extensions.
Pergola does not extend beyond the property & is at the rear.

Please list the supporting documentary evidence (such as a planning permission) which accompanies this application:

1.	Detailed drawing with measurements
2.	Land Registry document
3.	
4.	
5.	

If you consider the existing, or last use is within a 'Use Class' in the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended), state which one:

Information About The Proposed Use(s)

If you consider the proposed use is within a 'Use Class' in the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended), state which one:

Is the proposed operation or use:

☐ Temporary

☒ Permanent

~~Building~~

If temporary please give details:

Please state why you consider that a Lawful Development Certificate should be granted for this proposal:

Pergola is at rear of property & within the required restrictions & conditions.
Does not extend beyond the property.
Has polycarbonate roof.
Structure is timber with drainage & lead flashing where required
Does not exceed 50% of curtilage

8. Description Of Proposal

Does the proposal consist of, or include:

a) The carrying out of building or other operations?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If Yes to a, please give detailed description of all such operations (includes the need to describe any proposal to alter or create a new access, layout any new street, construct any associated hard-standings, means of enclosure or means of draining the land/buildings) and indicate on your plans (in the case of a proposed building the plan should indicate the precise siting and exact dimensions):

Construction of small open timber structure (pergola) with polycarbonate roof.

b) Change of use of the land or building(s)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes to b, please give a full description of the scale and nature of the proposed use, including the processes to be carried out, any machinery to be installed and the hours the proposed use will be carried out:

If Yes to b, please describe fully the existing or the last known use, with the date this use ceased:

Has the proposal been started?

☐ Yes

☒ No

9. Planning Application Requirements - Checklist

Please read the following checklist to make sure you have sent all the information in support of your proposal. Failure to submit all information required will result in your application being deemed invalid. It will not be considered valid until all information required by the Local Planning Authority has been submitted.

The burden of proof in a Lawful Development Certificate is firmly with the applicant and therefore sufficient and precise information should be provided.

The original and 3 copies of a completed dated application form:

☐

The original and 3 copies of such evidence verifying the information included in the application as you can provide:

☐

The original and 3 copies of a plan which identifies the land to which the application relates drawn to an identified scale and showing the direction of North:

☐

The correct fee:

☐

10. Declaration

I/we hereby apply for planning permission as described in this form and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information. I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the persons giving them.

Signed - Applicant

Or signed - Agent

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

23/6/2026

(date cannot be pre-application submission)

WARNING:

The amended section 194 of the 1990 Act provides that it is an offence to furnish false or misleading information or to withhold material information with intent to deceive. Section 193(7) enables the authority to revoke, at any time, a certificate they may have been issued as a result of such false or misleading information.

11. Applicant Contact Details

Telephone numbers

Country code:

National number:

N/A

Extension number:

Country code:

Mobile number (optional):

Country code:

Fax number (optional):

N/A

Email address (optional):

12. Agent Contact Details

Telephone numbers

Country code:

National number:

Extension number:

Country code:

Mobile number (optional):

Country code:

Fax number (optional):

Email address (optional):

13. Site Visit

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact? (Please select only one)

☐ Agent

☒ Applicant

☐ Other (if different from the agent/applicant's details)

If Other has been selected, please provide:

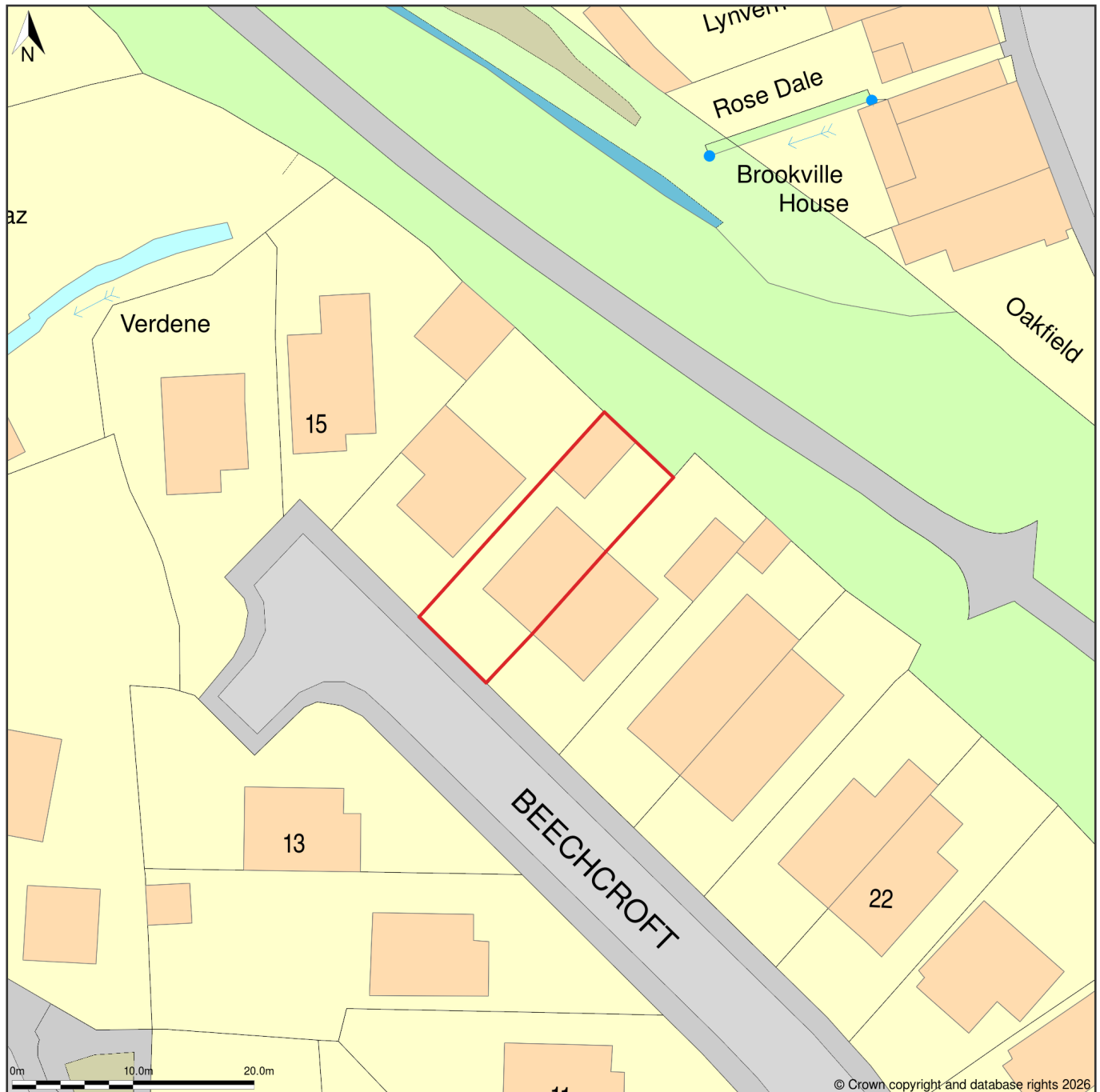
Contact name:

Matthew Whittaker

Telephone number:

Email address:

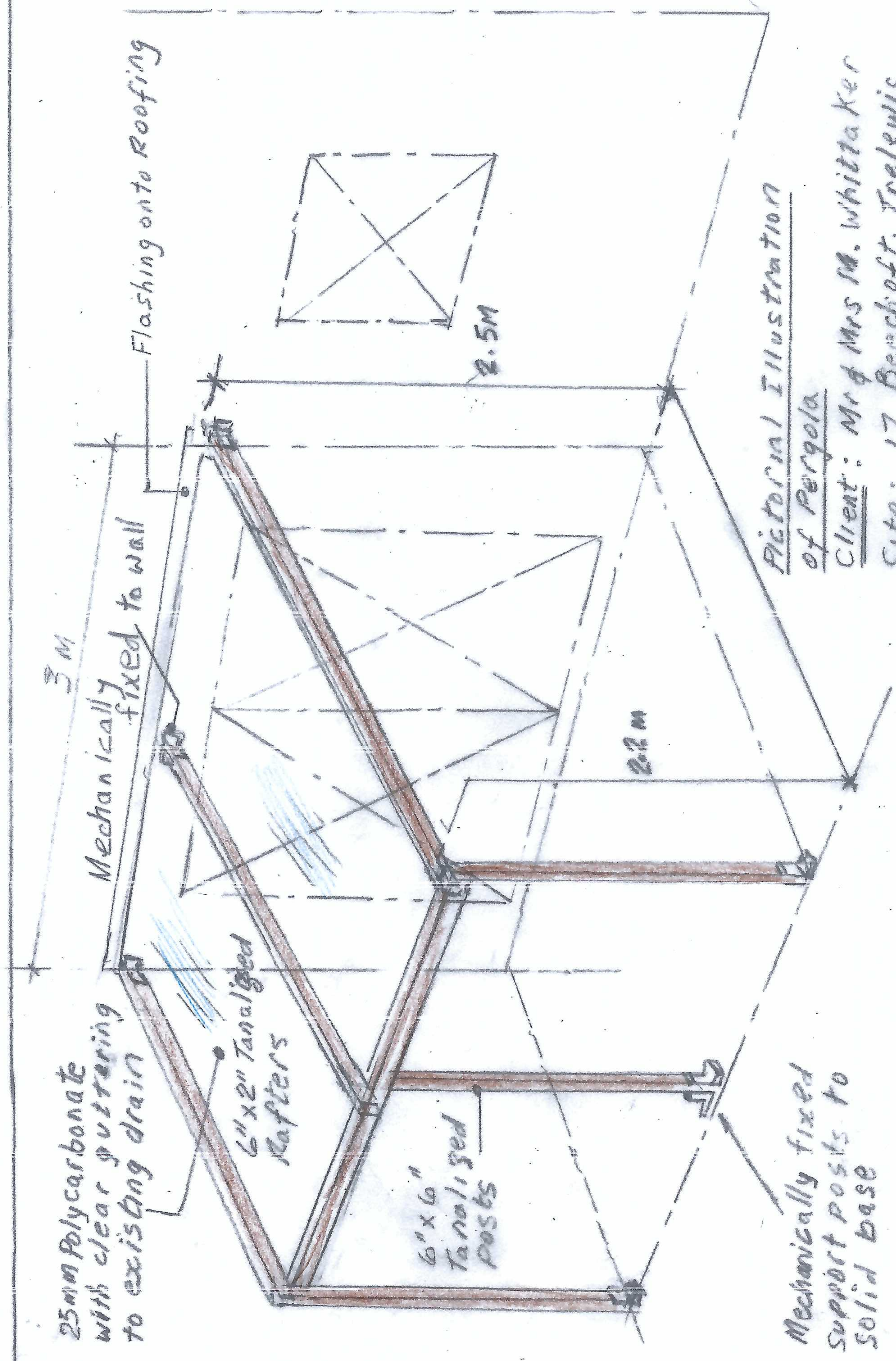
17, Beechcroft, Trelewis, Treharris, Merthyr Tydfil, CF46 6BP



Site Plan (also called a Block Plan) shows area bounded by: 310417.03, 197079.96, 310507.03, 197169.96 (at a scale of 1:500), OSGridRef: ST10469712. The representation of a road, track or path is no evidence of a right of way. The representation of features as lines is no evidence of a property boundary.

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Pictorial Illustration
of Pergola

Client: Mr & Mrs M. Whittaker

Site: 17 Beechcroft, Trelewis

CF466VP

Date: 14th May 2026

Drawn by: G. E. Hughes (G E Hughes)

List of transactions 16/06/26 to 08/07/2026

Transactions List:

Transaction date	Customer reference	Amount (GBP)	Additional Info
07/07/2026	MTCBC	-61.5	Waste and recycling contract
07/07/2026	STRIPE	-9.9	Payroll software monthly charge
06/07/2026	CERI WEBB GRASS CU	-280.0	Grass cutting - community centre
06/07/2026	D M BROWN	-194.86	Warm hub refreshments
03/07/2026	Nolly's Nibbles	-162.0	Warm hub refreshments
03/07/2026	2468 AMAZON* JN5BK	-13.99	Bingo tickets - warm hub
26/06/2026	Salaries	-766.9	Salaries
26/06/2026	HMRC	-337.42	Tax Payment
26/06/2026	Salaries	-325.3	Salaries
26/06/2026	RCT PENSIONS	-253.63	Pension payment
26/06/2026	Clerk	-51.12	Clerk Expenses
26/06/2026	Clerk	-50.23	Clerk underpayment FY2025-2026
24/06/2026	MTCBC	-201.25	Kickabout area inspection charge
24/06/2026	MTCBC	-61.5	Waste and recycling contract
24/06/2026	MTCBC	-61.5	Waste and recycling contract
23/06/2026	Helen L Harbord	-400.0	Internal Audit charge

23/06/2026	CERI WEBB GRASS CU	-140.0	Grass cutting tennis courts boundary
23/06/2026	2468 MICROSOFT#G16	-12.1	Office 365 charge
19/06/2026	Nolly's Nibbles	-132.0	Warm hub refreshments