

RHYMNEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the last meeting of the above Community Council held at Abertysswg Community Centre on Thursday 14th April 2022 at 6pm.

Present

Cllr. M. L. Thomas (Chairperson)	Cllr. C. Cuss
Cllr. D. Harse	Cllr. A. Power
Cllr. L. Dykes	Cllr. J. E. Hughes
Cllr. M. Powell	

Apologies

Cllr. A. Davies	Cllr. H. Williams
Cllr. G. Oliver	Cllr. D. T. Williams
Cllr. D. Bradley	Cllr. L. Gronow
Cllr. J. Bevan	Cllr. S. Rees

In Attendance

Mr. G. Williams	Clerk to the Council
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In the absence of the Chair, the vice-Chairperson of Council Cllr. M. L. Thomas was installed as Chairperson for the meeting.

01 Minutes / Apologies

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 10th March 2022, previously circulated to Members were accepted as an accurate record and signed by the Chairperson Cllr. M. L. Thomas.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. A. Davies, Cllr. H. Williams, Cllr. D. T. Williams, Cllr. J. Bevan, Cllr. D. Bradley, Cllr. L. Gronow, Cllr. S. Rees and Cllr. G. Oliver.

Apologies for absence were also received from colleagues at Gwent Police.

02 Declarations of Interest

02.01 There were no declarations made by Councillors.

03 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

04 Planning Applications

The Clerk confirmed that four applications for planning had been received since the last meeting of Council.

Planning Application. 22/0202/ADV

Site Area. 554m

Location. Rhymney Garage, Victoria Road, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP 22 5NU

Proposal. Retain illuminated totem pole sign at Rhymney Garage, Victoria Road, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP 22 5NU

Decision. Council raises no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application. 22/0200/TCA

Site Area. 91m

Location. Prospect House, Goshen Street, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5NE

Proposal. Remove ash tree and trim sycamore and beech at Prospect House, Goshen Street, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5NE

Decision. Council raises no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application. 22/0206/FULL

Site Area. 730m

Location. Land with curtilage of 1 Twyn-Yr-Arian Cottages, Twyn-Yr-Arian Farm Lane, Llechryd, Tredegar, NP22 5QX

Proposal. Demolish existing extension and erect two storey side extension at Land with curtilage of 1 Twyn-Yr-Arian Cottages, Twyn-Yr-Arian Farm Lane, Llechryd, Tredegar, NP22 5QX

Decision. Council raises no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application. 22/0216/FULL

Site Area. 523m

Location. Golygfa'r-cwm School Lane, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5LX

Proposal. Convert loft, construct roof dormer and erect side extension at Golygfa'r-cwm School Lane, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5LX

Decision. Council raises no objections to this proposal.

05 Approval of Community Council Cheques and Payments

The attached list of Community Council cheques and payments was approved by members and amounted to **£02,618.79**.

06 Correspondence

06.01 HMRC

Full Payment Submission for period ending 5th April 2022.

Moved. Noted on file.

06.02 Lloyds Bank

Receipt of Sheet for period to 16 February 2022 from Account x0x7x0x1

Receipt of Sheet for period to 9 March 2022 from Account x6x4x9x0

Receipt of Sheet for period to 9 March 2022 from Account x0x7x1x5

Invoice. Banking period 10 January 2022 to 09 February 2022.

Moved. Noted on file and for finance file.

Moved. Autopayment.

06.03 Abertysswg Community Centre

Invoice for Defib Electricity Supply at Abertysswg Community Centre 2021/22.

Moved. Payment.

06.04 Gwent Police

Monthly report to Councillors dated March 2022.

Moved. Noted on file.

Moved. The Clerk advised that an electronic copy of this report would be circulated to members.

- 06.05 Teenage Cancer Trust (Cymru)
Thank you, letter, following Council's recent Grant Aid Donation.
Moved. Noted on file.
- 06.06 Ty Hafan
Thank you, letter, following Council's recent Grant Aid Donation.
Moved. Noted on file.
- 06.07 Abertysswg RFC. Under 15s
Thank you, letter, following Council's recent Grant Aid Donation.
Moved. Noted on file.
- 06.08 Zurich Municipal Insurance
Confirmation of payment receipt.
Moved. Noted on file.
- 06.09 HMRC
PAYE – Notice to employer of employee's tax code for 2022/23.
Moved. Noted on file.
- 06.10 Caerphilly CBC
Invoice for the provision of microsite services i.e. Council's website and hosting.
Moved. Payment. £200.00
- 06.11 Caerphilly CBC
Notification of Election
Moved. Clerk to display / promote as appropriate.
- 06.12 Caerphilly CBC
Notification of temporary closure of High Street, Rhymney to undertake emergency repairs to the gas main.
Moved. Noted on file.
- 06.13 Caerphilly CBC
Notification of County Borough plans to recognise / celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. Following discussion, and acknowledging there were no 'celebration / commemorative' plans for areas north of Ystrad Mynach, Council should write to articulate its disappointment.
Moved. Clerk to write on Council's behalf to articulate its disappointment and request that further consideration be given to the provision of support for more northern areas of the County Borough.
- 06.14 Idris Davies' Grave Stone
Cllr. Cuss brought to Council's attention that the stone had fallen into a state of disrepair. Following discussion, and acknowledging the cost of repair would be circa £600-700, Council agreed to explore whether the family were in a position to support / provide permission for Council to pursue options for repair and upkeep.

Moved. Clerk to establish contact with the family, before exploring options and to reporting at the June meeting of Council.

07 **Report of the Clerk**

07.01 **Payments and Invoices**

The Clerk read aloud the payments / invoices for approval.

Moved. All payments were approved by Members.

The Clerk went on to advise that activity associated with end of year reporting, including Community Council Accounts, HM Revenue & Customs – VAT reclaim and EOYR reporting for RTI was progressing well and would be completed ahead of timescale requirements.

07.02 **Queen's Platinum Jubilee / June 2022**

The Clerk advised Council that he was yet to hear from Council's application to the Pen Bryn Oer Community Benefit Fund, in support of Council's plans. Following discussion, it was agreed that Council would not pursue the purchase of Gas Beacons, but focus its efforts on street bunting and the potential to financially support local Primary Schools through funding in support of commemorative celebrations.

Moved. Clerk to work with colleagues at Centregreat Bridgend to cost / arrange the purchase and installation of street bunting (parallel not crossing the carriageway) at:

- Rhymney High Street. From Rhymney Convenience Store to the War Memorial.
- Merchant Street, Pontlottyn. From Junction to Heol Evan Wynne to Junction for Farm Road.
- The Green Abertysswg. Walters Street (in front of old Primary School) through Charles Street and around the Green.

07.03 **Festive Street Lighting Tender**

The Clerk presented Council with a range of costed and illustrated proposals, developed in consultation with a number of potential suppliers sourced via at invitation to tender.

Following discussion, it was agreed that owing to a combination of cost, coupled with the display shown in the tender, that Council would appoint Lite-Ltd, selecting Visual 8 on a five-year rental, supported for installation, removal and storage by colleagues at Centregreat, Bridgend.

Moved. Clerk to notify outcome and to request associated contractual documentation be prepared for consideration / authorisation by Council at the May / June meeting of Council.

Date of Next and Future Meetings / Events

- Community Council Thursday 19th May 2022 at 6pm (AGM)
- Community Council Thursday 9th June 2022 at 6pm
- Community Council Thursday 14th July 2022 at 6pm
- Community Council Thursday 8th September 2022 at 6pm
- Community Council Thursday 13th October 2022 at 6pm
- Community Council Thursday 10th November 2022 at 6pm

Meeting Closed at 7.20pm

_____ **Chairperson**