

**Cyngor Cymuned  
Rhigos  
Community Council**

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Dear Sir/Madam

You are summoned to attend the ordinary meeting of the Rhigos Community Council to be held at the Rhigos Community Centre on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 6.45 p.m. to transact the following business.

Dated this day 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017

1. Apologies
2. To confirm minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017
3. Matters Arising
4. Planning Applications
5. County Borough Council Matters
6. Correspondence
7. Rhigos Playgrounds
8. Rhigos Signs
9. Rhigos Cemetery
10. Accounts
11. Members Verbal Reports

Yours sincerely  
Susan Harvey Powell  
Clerk

To The Chairman and all members of Rhigos Community Council

## **Rhigos Community Council**

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of Rhigos Community Council held at Rhigos Community Centre on Monday 12th June 2017 at 6.45 p.m.

Present: Cllrs. O Morgan, M Pope, G Thomas, P Oliver, H Wagner,  
M Evans, M Smith, A Tobin, S Maull

Apologies: Cllr. L Leach, C Hopes

### **2017/55 Minutes**

It was resolved to confirm Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 12th June 2017

### **2017/56 Declaration of Interest**

None recorded

### **2017/57 Matters Arising**

- a. Unsafe memorial stones Rhigos cemetery – Cllr. Oliver has been unable to contact the owner of Vale Memorials as he has been on holiday.

### **2017/58 Planning**

It was resolved to note:

- a. Land adjacent to 14<sup>th</sup> avenue Hirwaun Industrial estate – relocation and upgrade of an existing foul pump station.
- b. Tower Variation – an objection will be sent asking that they revert to the original plans.
- c. Enviroparks Variation – the same objection will be sent regarding the fact that the weather reports were from Sennybridge which is too far away from the development.

**2017/59**

**County Borough Council Matters**

It was resolved that the following complaints be passed on to Councillor G Thomas for his attention.

Previous Complaints

Barrier across Parish Road – Nothing to report

There a lot of people suffering from cancer in Rhigos and a high volume of asthma. – Cllr. Thomas has had a meeting with Public Health Wales and will obtain dates for a joint meeting.

Rhigos Post Office is still closed – No response

Fence down at the old Ffyndaff site.

The lay by in front of the bus stop at Heol y Graig is breaking up.

Illegal bikes are still accessing Walters – Walters have informed RCT how many days they have been on the site. Honda are to provide a schedule of events for the next few months. There is nothing they can do about illegal riders, the suggested that residents contact the police. Walters have a duty of care to ensure that the operation or activity does not compromise public safety.

Land adjacent to the General Store – unable to verify if there is knotweed there, no planning consent applied for.

Parking outside the school is dangerous – the school has not yet sent letters out.

Telephone box – the box is being retained. A new handset is needed.

Are caravans allowed in gardens for people to live in – does not affect council tax liability

24 Heol y De is being renovated and all the rubble has been thrown into the garden – we have been informed by the resident that the rubble is temporarily in the garden as it will be used.

There are pot holes from Halt road under the bridge down to Gamlin's farm. – reported for repair.

No grass cutting has been done around the village – scheduled attached.

The road is broken up between the cemetery and the New Inn – redported for repair.

The pavement at Heol Pendarren is too narrow and prams need to go onto the road.

A gas cylinder has been thrown into the hedge near the bus stop at Heol y Bryn on the main road.

Restoration Plans for Celtic Energy – tank testing was a one off.

Beacons Restoration are parking a van on the side of the road near the top Hirwaun Roundabout – if it is parked on the highway action can be taken..

### New Complaints

- a. A tip is being made at the Selar site, Cllr. Evans will send photos to Cllr. Thomas.
- b. A trench has been dug through Treherbert roundabout.
- c. Rubbish needs picking along the main road from Heol y Graig to the New Inn.
- d. There is no tarmac on the footpath at the end house of Heol Gwrangfryn.
- e. Can the council cut the grass opposite Mount Road.
- f. The footpath at the top of Heol Esgyn needs repairing.
- g. Trees are overhanging the road on the bend near the Plough.
- h. The manhole near the school is overflowing.
- i. The path into Tram road is breaking up, the council are only responsible for 1 metre in as the rest is a private road.
- j. Buses are scraping the road at the bottom of Heol Esgyn.
- k. The drain at the bottom of Heol Esgyn is blocked.
- l. There is a dip in the pavement between 4 & 5 Heol y Graig and water is holding there.
- m. RCT have done nothing about the Right of Way down Tram Road.
- n. Cars are parking on the pavements all around the village.
- o. The drains on Treherbert road are blocked.

**2017/60 Correspondence**

It was resolved to receive the following correspondence.

- a. 4 letters from local residents complimenting the work at Rhigos cemetery.

**2017/61 Rhigos Playgrounds**

- a. Heol y Bryn playground – There has been a problem with the Geo Grids
- b. The Old Adventure playground – Mrs Powell provided some of the councillors interested in having an allotment with some literature on setting up a committee.

**2017/62 Rhigos Signs**

Cllr. Morgan presented the plan. Cllr. Pope suggested that they should be placed on the Glynneath bank and just off the top Hirwaun roundabout.

**2017/63 Rhigos Cemetery**

An advert for a caretaker will be placed in the shop, the New Inn and on the website.

**2017/64 Accounts**

The accounts have been internally audited.

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| A Thomas           | £470.00 |
| R Holcombe (audit) | £230.00 |
| AON (Ins)          | £103.67 |
| Broadband          | £58.80  |
| B Gas              | £131.08 |
| Wages              | £543.40 |

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| Current Account           | £6576.80   |
| High Interest Account     | £3806.51   |
| Field Account             | £3564.37   |
| Croesffordd Account       | £32427.04  |
| Croesffordd High Interest | £2478.46   |
| Croesffordd Treasury      | £23,000.00 |
| Selar                     | £60627.14  |
| Solar Farm Fund           | £52000.00  |

**2017/65**

**Members' Verbal Reports**

- a. Can the grass around the community centre be cut.
- b. Damp proof specialists are needed to look at the community centre.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at Rhigos Community Centre on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 6.45 p.m.

SIGNED..... DATE.....

Chairman