

**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 Rhigos Community Centre and remotely on Monday 13th December 2021 at 6.45 p.m. to transact the following business.

Dated this day 6th December 2021

1. Apologies
2. To confirm minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 8th November 2021
3. Matters Arising
4. Planning Applications
5. County Borough Council Matters
6. Rhigos Cemetery
7. Correspondence
8. Rhigos Allotments
9. Accounts
10. 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 8th November 2021 at 6.45 p.m.

Present: Cllrs. P Oliver, H Wagner, M Evans, M Smith, G Thomas, Mr D Burford

Apologies: Cllr. S Maull, O Morgan

2021/90

Co-option of New Community Councillor

Mr Dewi Burford has attended the meeting as he has applied to become a community councillor. He was then asked to leave the room. Cllr. Oliver proposed that he be seconded onto the community council this was seconded by Cllr. M Evans. Mr Burford then returned to the meeting and signed his declaration of office.

2021/91

Minutes

It was resolved to confirm Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 8th November 2021

2021/92

Declaration of Interest

None recorded

2021/93

Matters Arising

- a. Bike Track Cwm Hwnt - nothing to report
- b. Land at Hirwaun Roundabout – reply from GGP Law saying that as there are no deeds adverse possession will cost £1500.00. It was agreed to have another look on the Land registry site and if it is not registered to apply for adverse possession.
- c. Old Parish Road – Following the site visit there was a general discussion to sum up the main points of the visit. It was reported that there would insufficient financial resources to implement a through tarmac road for the length of the proposal along the specification of the cross section drawings as indicated in previous communications.

It was noted that there was already a tarmac surface at the RCT adopted section of Parish Road and up to the site offices, around 5 metres wide, within the RCT boundary albeit in need of repair.

There was further section at the NPT/Cwmgrach end that also had a tarmac surface.

The section between the two, however, that would form the ‘‘crushed stone’’ surface within the application was deemed to be unsuitable for the average family car let alone disability vehicles and bicycles. RCT view was that a width of at least 4 metres should be maintained or more where possible. The site meeting was informed that there would be sufficient financial resources to implement a tarmac surface albeit not to the cross sectional specifications referred to in previous communications.

A surface of this nature would.

1. Provide a suitable surface for family cars; disability vehicles; cyclists and walkers.
2. Provide a safer travelling surface at the middle gradient.
3. Provide a surface that would be more durable particularly in the now more frequent storm incidents.

The possibility of further discussion with Celtic Energy was discussed to advise on a modified or re-submitted application to conform with a tarmacadam surface as indicated.

This would be acceptable to RCT Highways subject to review of the actual details in the final proposal/application.

- d. Dangerous trees on Rhigos Road – Cllr. Thomas has had a reply saying that they are waiting confirmation from their client to proceed with the removal of the trees.
- e. Enviroparks Planning Application – nothing to report
- f. New seat in the playground – RCT will install the bench if the community council purchases one.
- g. Village Christmas Tree – Cllr. Evans will approach Future Valleys Construction

2021/94

Planning

It was resolved to note:

No planning received

2021/95

County Borough Council Matters

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

- a. Glynneath bank – new cats eyes are needed and new lines need to be painted. N & PTCBC have done their side.
- b. The drains on the Glynneath bank need cleaning.
- c. There is a pot hole near the Plough.
- d. A bag of wood and tyres have been dumped over the fence on the parish road.
- e. Could CCTV be put at the entrance to the parish road.
- f. Cllr. Thomas reported on the boundary review which means that Rhigos, Hiwarun and Penderyn become one i.e. there will no separate councillor for each area, they will represent both.
- g. The bottom rung of the wooden fence opposite the school has come away.
- h. 3 drains are blocked between Heol y Graig and the New Inn.
- i. Water is holding on the main road near the old police houses.

- j. The drains on Treherbert road are blocked.
- k. Tread off a lorry tyre and a blue car bumper has been dumped on Treherbert road.
- l. The road near the new houses near Cynlais farm has flooded and the footpath has raised up.
- m. An accident occurred on the bend in Heol y Graig this week, the bus driver rang the emergency services but they did not attend.
- n. There is litter from Heol y Graig down to Hirwaun

2021/96**Rhigos Cemetery**

There were some concerns about some edging stones that need to be looked at. It was agreed to pay part of the invoice and then have a site meeting to look at those stones.

2021/97**Memorandum of Understanding/Child Burial Fees**

Cllr. Oliver proposed that this be adopted, seconded by Cllr. Evans and agreed by all.

2021/98**Correspondence**

It was resolved to receive the following correspondence

- a. Wales Air Ambulance letter asking for donations - £50.00 agreed
- b. Increasing accessibility to health and social care event 19th November 2021
- c. One Voice Wales Keep wales Tidy Packages

2021/99**Rhigos Allotments**

A quote has been received for installing a drain. The deeds need to be looked at for the boundary.

2021/100**Accounts**

B Gas	£31.15
Clean & Clear	£6.00
RBL (poppy wreath)	£17.00
Atlas	£10,000.00
Upper Bridge (web site)	£213.71
Wales Air Ambulance	£50.00
Wages and tax	£410.22

Current Account	£47,525.90
High Interest Account	£50.44
Field Account	£5299.75
Croesffordd Account	£2915.65
Croesffordd High Interest	£2491.24
Croesffordd Treasury	£23,000.00

2021/101

Members' Verbal Reports

- a. Cllr. Evans reported on the A465 liaison meeting.
- b. It was agreed to run another Christmas completion for the children of the village. All entries to be in by December 6th
- c. A poppy wreath has been purchased for this week's memorial service, Cllr. Oliver, Wagner and Burford will attend.
- d. Cllr. Wagner has planted 2 troughs of daffodils to put under the village signs.
- e. Cllr. Oliver asked how we could help with period poverty, she will speak to Hirwaun and Penderyn Community Council.
- f. It was agreed that 20 people maximum for parties in the community centre.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at Rhigos Community Centre and remotely on Monday 13th December 2021 at 6.45 p.m.

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

Chairman-