

**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 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 6.45 p.m. to transact the following business.

Dated this day 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022

1. Apologies
2. To confirm minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022
3. Matters Arising
4. Planning Applications
5. County Borough Council Matters
9. Rhigos Cemetery
10. Correspondence
11. Rhigos Allotments
13. Pen y Cymmoedd grant for flower planters
14. Clerk's Contract of Employment
15. Accounts
16. Croesffordd Charity
17. Regener8Solar Farm Fund
18. 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 and remotely on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 6.45 p.m.

Present: Cllrs. P Oliver, H Wagner, O Morgan, C Hopes, M Evans, M Smith, S Maull  
County Cllr. A Rogers, K Morgan, 3 representatives from Regenr8Rhigos

Apologies: Cllrs. D Barton (unable to connect to Zoom)

**2022/78**

### **Minutes**

It was resolved to confirm Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**2022/79**

### **Declaration of Interest**

None recorded

**2022/80**

### **Matters Arising**

- a. Land at Hirwaun Roundabout – Mrs Powell has had a meeting with our solicitor who is putting a case together.
- b. Old Parish Road – the application is on hold at present
- c. Dangerous trees on Rhigos Road – nothing to report
- d. Enviroparks Planning Application – nothing to report
- e. Fence posts around the field opposite the school are rotten – Mrs Powell has spoken to the lessee
- f. Defibrillator Training – to be arranged

**2022/81**

### **Planning**

It was resolved to note:

- a. Solar Farm – Bryngolwg Farm.
- b. Climbing Tower – Zip World

Pre-consultation presentation by Regenr8Rhigos

3 representatives from Regenr8Rhigos attended the meeting to discuss a new solar farm on Ty Draw Rhigos

They presented a slide show of the proposed development and then answered questions from the community council. They had been in the community centre earlier to speak to residents. They reported some concerns regarding visual, traffic and noise but most comments were positive. They said that it would be visually discreet and sheep would be grazing alongside. It will supply 2700 homes and will not need much maintenance. Construction will probably take 12 to 16 weeks. There will be community benefits possibly £3000.00. Cllr. Morgan would like this to be used in Rhigos. Cllr. Smith asked if local contractors will be used, yes if possible. Cllr Oliver asked if construction would interfere with Zipworld, no.

**2022/82**

**County Borough Council Matters**

It was resolved that the following complaints be passed on to Councillor K Morgan and A Rogers for their attention.

- a. HGV lorries are coming up Halt Road from the Industrial estate. Could a sign be erected on the main road.
- b. Traffic is speeding on the main road between the cemetery and the New Inn.
- c. Could all weeds be sprayed around the village. Tarmac was agreed in Cwrt Twyn Rhyd some time ago but has not been done. Cwrt Bryn Isaf is covered in moss.
- d. The drain passed Walters is full of grass and several drains around the village need cleaning i.e. Cefn Farm and Penywaun Farm.
- e. Rubbish has been dumped on the Glynneath bank. Could solar cameras be out there.
- f. A litter pick is needed around the village.
- g. Could the grass in the park be cut more regularly.
- h. A car is parked in the layby on the main road causing poor visibility.
- i. The pavement in Heol Esgyn is breaking up and dangerous.
- j. The fence and land next to the shop is in a mess.
- k. Can we have an update on the bridge opposite Heol y Graig. Cllr. Oliver reported that it is being done shortly.
- l. Weeds are coming up through the pavement in Mount road.
- m. The fence opposite the school needs repairing and the vegetation needs cutting back.
- n. There are a lot of trees with ash dieback near the rugby club and the Ffyndaff site. Unless it is a safety risk nothing will be done.
- o. The fence in the layby near 9 – 10 Heol y Graig is coming down and knotweed is coming onto the road. Residents should contact the owner for a management plan.
- p. Can all white lines around the village be refreshed.
- q. The pavement at Penywaun Farm is breaking up.

- r. Could the gate on the Parish road be locked at all times.
- s. A meeting regarding the 30 m.p.h. is being arranged this week.
- t. Could we have an update on train passenger services to Hirwaun.
- u. The grass under the benches in the village need cutting.

**2022/83****Rhigos Cemetery**

One memorial bench has been marked out.

An estimate is needed to the damage caused to the railings by Welsh Water.

**2022/84****Correspondence**

No correspondence received

**2022/85****Rhigos Allotments**

A letter needs to be sent to Atlas asking when the drainage work is going to commence – no response

The letter regarding chickens have gone out to all allotment holders.

A letter will be sent to the allotment holder who has not paid for this year.

The paths have been sprayed by plot holders.

Cllr. Smith will arranged a quote for a new gate.

**2022/86****Pen y Cymoedd Grant for Flower Planters**

The application form is now ready, Cllr. Wagner is waiting for them to get back to her.

**2022/87****Accounts**

M & S Alarms (Community Centre)	£110.00
R Morgan (Community Centre)	£55.00
Welsh Water	£56.51
Wages and Tax	£410.22

Current Account	£28,059.42
Field Account	£5610.02
Croesffordd Account	£28,406.95

**2022/88**

**Croesffordd Charity**

Mrs Powell has had a conversation with the Charity Commission who are happy for the money to be spent in the community. All councillors to bring their ideas to the next meeting.

**2022/89**

**Members' Verbal Reports**

- a. The tap needs repairing in the community centre.
- b. Quotes are needed for Solar Panels on the community centre

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