Cyngor Cymuned Rhigos

Community Council

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of Rhigos Community council

Held at Rhigos Community Centre

Monday 10th November 2025 at 6:45

Present: -

Cllrs- P.Oliver (Chair), M.G.Evans (Vice chair), E.Thomas, M.Smith, A.Tobin, ,

H. Wagner, S.Oliver, Elisha Jones

County Cllrs- A.Rogers, K.Morgan

Clerk- Alison Williams

Apologies:-

Cllrs. O.Morgan, C.Simons

Introductions

Elisha Jones was welcomed as the new member of the Community Council.

Ask a question by a member of the public

a. A question was asked by a representative of Cynefin about the posting of questionnaires. The Council resolved that a post box being purchased by the Clerk for use at the Community Centre can be used by residents to post their Cynefin questionnaire responses. This will only be until they have an address of their own for mail.

<u>Declaration of interest in respect of grant applications</u>

Cllr.Smith, Cllr.Tobin,Cllr.Oliver,Cllr.Wagner,Cllr.Jones.

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It was resolved to confirm the minutes.

2025/54 Matters Arising

- a. Cllr S. Oliver gave her apologies at the last meeting after joining on Teams.
- b. No Panini grill was needed and was not purchased.

2025/55 Planning Applications

a. None to note

2025/56 County Borough Council matters

Responses to previous matters

- a. a. The alarm in the school is still going off. There is water entering in the girls toilets. It is not because of the drop in temperature.
- b. The jet washers were sent to Mount road because the drains were blocked but they said that this was because of the leaves and is a common thing this time of year.

New Matters

- a. Heol Y Graig signs are still not repaired. Also the footpath that goes through there is only 12" wide and covered in weed. It needs cutting back. The drain is blocked by the layby at the big tree just by no's 8, 9 and 10.
- b. The bus shelter at the bottom of Heol Y Graig by "the boot" is surrounded by rubbish. Bags are being emptied but the rubbish is all around the shelter.
- c. The drains on Glynneath bank are full of leaves and the water is gushing down the hill.
- d. An update is need about Parish Road.
- e. The drain on the main road past the New Inn is blocked and the footpath down towards the cemetery is slippery as covered in weeds and moss.
- f. The street lighting from Rhigos junction as far as the turning to Treherbert road is very dark and people are walking at night.
- g. The bushes next to no 10 Heol Y Graig need cutting back as the bushes are over the footpath.
- h. There are no drains at Heol Y Bryn past the park and when there is heavy rain it comes down the road and through Heol Pendarren. There is a manhole past the park but no drain.
- i. Coming from the rugby club the water is so deep that it is up to pavement level. The last response from RCT was that they were redesigning it.
- j. A zebra crossing is needed where the children alight the school bus. Now they are being transported out of the village to school, they are all getting off the bus and it is dangerous for them to cross.
- k. CCLR Morgan will ask Dylan from RCT to attend a Community Council Meeting to review the 20MPH.
- I. The tarmac needs re profiling on Mount Road and the water is is holding at Penywaun Mount Road. It is nt a build up of leaves it ahs bene full of silt all summer and has grass growing from ot. It has bene reportd previously.
- m. Can the farmer who owns the land behind The Plough be contacted to see if anything can be done there about the water that is running across the road down through the land below.

2025/57 Cemetery

a. Clerk to make request for cemetery signs on the main road when the Community Council meets with RCT Highways on 20th November.

2025/58 Correspondence

a. Five grant applications received and discussed below.

2025/59 Rhigos allotments

None to note

2025/60 Accounts

- a. It was agreed to purchase the letterbox and Cllr Tobin offered to insall it asap.
- b. It was agreed to pay the additional cost of the lagging for the Community centre attic.
- c. It was agreed to purchase solar lights for the bushes in the park.
- d. The Hey Girls application was turned down as they are oversubscribed. The Clerk will now go ahead with the application to Rhondda Cynon Taf for period poverty supplies and funding.
- e. A Finance meeting was held on Monday 27th October to discuss the allocation of grant monies.(See minutes). It was agreed at that meeting that the maximum amount of grant given to any group would be £500.00 in a calander year.
- f. Council resolved to grant each grant applicant the maximum of £500.00 and the Clerk will now write to them and include the terms of conditions. These terms must be returned to the Clerk before any monies are paid. Cllrs. who declared and interest were not included in the vote for that grant.

Youth Club – Propsed Cllr. Evans, seconded Cllr. Smith.

Allotment society – Propsed Cllr. P.Oliver, seconded Cllr. Smith.

Carnival Committee - Propsed Cllr. Evans, seconded Cllr. Williams

Senior Citizens - Proposed Cllr. Evans, seconded Cllr. Tobin,

Cynefin - Propsed Cllr. Wagner, seconded Cllr. Williams

g. A wreath was purchased for the Armistace day parade and was attended by Cllr. P. Oliver, Cllr. Wagner, Cllr. Hopes and Cllr. Evans.

2025/61 Member's Verbal Reports

a.The grazing land opposite the school is in a very bad state and there have been complaints by residents. No maintenance has taken place and no grazing. The Clerk will write to the licence holders about the cost of clearing.

2025/62 Any Other Business

- a. The Christmas tree will be delivered on 17th November .It is 8 feet which is the biggest root ball tree available as agreed previously. This will grow and is cheaper than the £1,500 for a taller tree that has no root ball and would need replacing every year. It is also a better environmental option.
- b. A Christmas Tree Lighting event will be held on 25th November at 6:30pm. This is being held curtesy of Rhigos Coffee morning, Rhigos Carnival Committee, Rhigos Youth Club, Rhigos Community Council and RCT Warm Spaces Hub. Refreshments will be available including tea, coffee and mince pies. Veg packs will also be distributed. The youth club children will take part in Christingle and Penderyn choir have been invited to attend. Cllr. Evans will revisit the warm hub terms and conditions to look at the registration.
- c. The solar panels are now in place and Cllr. Evans and the Clerk will make an application for SEG (payment for export of energy) as soon as possible.

Date of next meeting

Monday 8 th December 2025 at 6	6:45pm Rhigos Community Centre.
Signed	
	Date
Councillor Pat Oliver	