

Cyngor Cymuned

Rhigos

Community Council

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of Rhigos Community council

Held at Rhigos Community Centre

Monday 12th January 2026 at 6:45pm

Present: -

Cllrs- P.Oliver (Chair), M.G.Evans (Vice chair) , M.Smith, A.Tobin, O.Morgan,C.Simons,H. Wagner

County Cllr - A.Rogers

Clerk- Alison Williams

Apologies:-

Cllrs.- S.Oliver, Elisha Jones

County Cllr. - K.Morgan

Introductions

Ask a question by a member of the public

a. A question was asked by Mr and Mrs D with regard to the grazing licence. It was agreed that this would continue and that the Clerk will send out the renewal dated 01.10.2025.

Declaration of interest in respect of grant applications

None

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Noted amendment for new matters D

Address is 1+2 Heol y Gwynt not Glan yr Afon

It was resolved to confirm the minutes.

2026/1 Matters Arising

None to note

2026/2 Planning Applications

a. None to note

2026/3 County Borough Council matters

Previously reported

- a. Nothing has been done about the footpath at Heol Y Graig. The fence that EDS removed and replaced has not been put back in a good state.
- b. Grit boxes were requested but these have not been received.
- c. Lights are still not working between 12-16 Heol y Bryn.
- d. There is a fallen tree resting on a branch of another tree on the Glynneath bank just at the first layby on RCT side.

New Matters

- a. The state of the road from where they resurfaced the road past the school up passed Heol Pendarren is in a dreadful state and needs replacing.
- b. There are potholes along the highway between the Plough and junction of Smiths Avenue. Lots of erosion of the tarmac along the gas main trench and needs to be resurfaced.
- c. There are potholes on Heol Pendarren road and also the drains are completely blocked.
- d. The drains between Werfa Rhigos road and Plasnewydd Rhigos Road are blocked and the water is bubbling over the top.
- e. Parish road, the verges of the road need to be cut back but nothing has been done since Cllr. Morgan reported this months ago. If RCT want to acknowledge it is a livre carriageway then they need to take action and cut back the overgrowth on the roadside.
- f. The bus stop sign is missing at the Plough Cwmhwnt.
- g. Please can we have an update on the green fencing by the village shop opposite Min Afon.
- h. Hirwaun Industrial Estate needs attention, general maintenance, potholes and litter picking. It a forgotten place and big companies are paying lots of business rates.
- i. GN Rhigos road, the drains are overflowing and need cleaning again and a litter pick.
- j. The school guttering needs to be kept clear otherwise the building will deteriorate.
- k. There have been lots of complaints about the food bags and recycling bags that they are too thin and tearing. The Council have gone back to the older type bags so this should no longer be an issue.
- l. There are potholes in Heol Esgyn between no's 22 and 24. The pavements need attention. Adam will check if this is due for resurfacing and if not he will report.
- m. RCT are monitoring the fly tipping on the Glynneath Bank.
- n. The sign at Min Afon has been knocked over. Can it be reinstated please.

2026/4 Cemetery

- a. Clerk to email BC about her family plot and ensure her that it will not be removed when the licence ends.
- b. Clerk to respond to RCT traffic about the signs for the cemetery.

2026/5 Correspondence

- a. Thank you card from Cynefin group
- b. Perthyn Grants
- c. Council agreed to meet with Hirwaun on any Monday evening other than on evenings that Rhigos Community Council meetings are held. If they cannot accommodate in Hirwaun Village Hall then we could use Rhigos Community Centre. Clerk to liaise with Emma Hirwaun and Penderyn Community Council.
- d. All email correspondence passed to Council.

2026/6 Rhigos allotments

None to note

2026/7 Accounts

- a. Agreed to pay Cllr. Tobin £2.99 for pan and brush. Receipt to follow.
- b. Agreed to pay £70.00 to Mr and Mrs Morgan for the cost of electricity for the Christmas lights. Bank details requested.
- c. Clerk to purchase paper towel dispencer for the Community Centre

2026/8 Member's Verbal Reports

- a. CCLR. Adams requested that they be able to use the post-box at the community centre for a leaflet drop that they will be doing soon and this was agreed.
- b. The Code of Conduct document updated by One Voice Wales was discussed and adopted. All Councillors present signed to say they had received, read and understood the code of conduct. Cllr. Oliver, Cllr. Thomas and Cllr. Jones to sign at the next meeting.
- c. Cllr. Oliver, Cllr. Thomas and Cllr. Jones to receive new Councillor training via One Voice Wales and this will be arranged via the Clerk.
- d. The Legionella folder will be updated weekly at Rhigos Coffee Morning until a new caretaker is appointed.
- e. Cllr. P Oliver will order flowers for Kathleen and Cllrs. will split the cost at the next meeting.

2026/9 Any Other Business

- a. The Caretakers contract and list of tasks was discussed and some amendments made. The task list will not be included in the advert but given to applicants when they apply. An advert to be published by the Clerk by 16.01.26 with a closing date of 06.02.26. The advert will be made shorter.
- b. Clerk to provide one more notice for the period dignity bundles in the disabled toilet.
- c. Clerk to contact the Church and Piano lady about a trolley for the piano as it is marking the doorstop and the carpet.
- d. The no dogs except guide dogs sign has been placed on the cemetery gate and Cllr. Smith will put one up at the Community Centre .

Date of next meeting

Monday 9th February 2026 at 6:45pm Rhigos Community Centre.

Signed

Date

Councillor Pat Oliver Chair