

RHYMNEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the last meeting held at Abertysswg Community Centre of the above Community Council on Thursday 12th September 2019 at 7pm.

Present

Cllr. M. L. Thomas (Chairperson)	Cllr. L. James
Cllr. J. E. Hughes	Cllr. L. Gronow
Cllr. D, Harse	Cllr. L. Dykes
Cllr. H. Williams	Cllr. D. Bradley

Apologies

Cllr. J. Bevan	Cllr. D. T. Williams
Cllr. P. Oliver	Cllr. G. Oliver
Mr. Bill Smith.	Local Historian

In Attendance

Mr. G. Williams	Clerk to the Council
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28 Minutes / Apologies

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 11th July 2019, previously circulated to members were accepted as an accurate record and signed by the Chairperson Cllr. M. L. Thomas.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. J. Bevan, Cllr. D. T. Williams, Cllr. P. Oliver and Cllr. G. Oliver.

Advanced apologies for absence for the October meeting were received from Cllr. L. Dykes and Cllr. J. E. Hughes.

29 Declarations of Interest

29.01 Cllr. J. E. Hughes declared an interest in Agenda Item – Planning 1/0536/RET

30 Matters Arising

30.01 Minute No. 25.04 St John Cymru – Rhymney Division

Application for Section 19 / 137 Grant Aid funding toward the purchase of life-saving training equipment.

The Clerk advised Council of the potential for a ‘publicity photograph’ following Council’s recent donation and the subsequent purchase of equipment.

Moved. Clerk to contact St John Cymru – Rhymney Division, introducing them to the Chair to agree a mutually agreeable date / time for this to take place.

30.02 SSE

Invoice for unlimited metered supply (Christmas Lighting 2018/19)

The Clerk advised Council that further to detailed consultation with colleagues at SSE it was determined the invoice for £64.34 issued 21st June 2019 was correct. The Clerk advised Council that rather than default on the deadline for payment over the summer period, he had paid the invoice via his own account.

Moved. Payment / re-imbusement to the Clerk £64.34.

30.03 Minute No. 25.10 Rhymney Valley Foodbank

Application for Section 19/ 137 Grant Aid funding.

The Clerk confirmed that as requested he had spoken with Rev. Leah Philbrick and negotiated any agreed grant could be paid via the Church Account, thus ensuring future applications for funding from Rhymney Community Centre were not compromised.

Moved. Cllr. L. Dykes to liaise with colleagues at Rhymney Community Centre to determine the annual rent required, reporting back to Council for consideration / decision at the October / November meeting of Council.

31 **Gwent Police**

Belated apologies for absence were received from colleagues at Gwent Police.

32 **Planning Applications**

The Clerk confirmed that eight application for planning had been received since the last meeting of Council.

Planning Application 19/0732/FULL

Location. The Lindens Lon Tyswg Abertysswg Tredegar NP22 5BJ

Proposal. Erect two storey rear extension and loft extension at The Lindens Lon Tyswg Abertysswg Tredegar NP22 5BJ.

Moved. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application 19/0536/RET

Location. Land at former Station House, Merthyr Road, Rhymney, Llechryd.

Proposal. Retain and complete change of use of land to 5 no Gypsy Traveller pitches and associated works including 5 no. mobile homes 5 no touring caravans and hardstand at Land at former Station House, Merthyr Road, Rhymney, Llechryd.

Moved. Council objects to this proposal.

Moved. Clerk to write to articulate Council's objection.

Planning Application 19/0686/FULL

Location. Lakeside Farm Nant-Yr-Helyg Butetown Rhymney NP22 5QT

Proposal. Construct two number two-bedroom holiday letting cottages at Lakeside Farm Nant-Yr-Helyg Butetown Rhymney NP22 5QT.

Moved. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application 19/0698/FULL

Location. Land within curtilage of Newport House, Abertysswg Road, Rhymney, NP22 5AE

Proposal. Erect single storey building to be used as a residential care house on land within curtilage of Newport House, Abertysswg Road, Rhymney, NP22 5AE

Moved. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application 19/0652/FULL

Location. 14 Arthur Street, Abertysswg, Rhymney, NP22 5AN
Proposal. Erect orangery extension to the rear elevation at 14 Arthur Street, Abertysswg, Rhymney, NP22 5AN
Moved. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application 19/0617/NOTD
Location. Former Pontlottyn Primary School, Pontlottyn, CF81 9QH
Proposal. Demolish existing buildings at Former Pontlottyn Primary School, Pontlottyn, CF81 9QH
Moved. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application 19/0679/NCC
Location. Edwards and Ross Pallets, Old Highways Depot, Pontlottyn Link Road, Pontlottyn, CF81 9QZ
Proposal. Vary condition 5 (layout), 6 (drainage), 13 (noise barrier), 14 (coal) of planning consent 16/0642/OUT (Erection of residential development (indicative 25 dwellings) and associated infrastructure) at Edwards and Ross Pallets, Old Highways Depot, Pontlottyn Link Road, Pontlottyn, CF81 9QZ.
Moved. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application 19/0720/FULL
Location. Rhymney Convenience Stores, Jerusalem Street, Rhymney, NO22 5JB.
Proposal. Erect first floor rear extension at Rhymney Convenience Stores, Jerusalem Street, Rhymney, NO22 5JB.
Moved. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Energy EsCo Ltd's application at Wauntysswg Farm, Abertysswg, Rhymney, NP22 5BQ
Notification that a determination fee of £14,700.00 under Regulation 12 of the Developments of National Significance (Fees) (Wales) Regulations 2016 has been made, which lifts the suspension period previously imposed.

33 **Correspondence**

33.01 HMRC

Full Payment Submission for period ending 5th September 2019.
Moved. Noted on file.

33.02 Lloyds Bank

Receipt of Sheet No. 35 and 36 from Account x6x4x9x0
Receipt of Sheet No. 20 and 21 from Account x0x7x0x1
Receipt of Sheet No. 18 and 19 from Account x0x7x1x5
Moved. Noted on file and for finance file.
Invoices 285311706 & 287498830
Moved. Payment.

33.03 Helping Hands Rhymney

Application for Section 19 / 137 Grant Aid funding.
Moved. Payment. £200.00

- 33.04 Abertysswg Aces – Walking Football
Application for Section 19 / 137 Grant Aid funding.
Moved. Payment. £100.00
- 33.05 Information Commissioners Office
Payment acknowledgement.
Moved. Noted on file.
- 33.06 Caerphilly CBC
Notification of second Precept payment.
Moved. Noted in Financial File. Received £17,500.00.
- 33.07 Caerphilly CBC
Notification of a change of supplier for Town and Community Council website provisions, the new provider having been appointed to update on out of date technology. The new technology being equipped to support; mobile friendly (responsive); ease of update; and compliance to AA accessibility standards.
Moved. Noted on file. Clerk to work with colleagues at Caerphilly CBC on the refresh.
- 33.08 Print Evolution
Invoice for Posters / Leaflets for Dog Show September 2019. The Clerk advised Council that rather than default on the deadline for payment over the summer period, he had paid the invoice via his own account.
Moved. Payment / re-imburement to the Clerk £39.89
- 33.09 Festive Lighting
Invoice for Christmas Lighting – Year two hire.
Moved. Payment

34 **Approval of Community Council Cheques and Payments**

The attached list of Community Council cheques and payments was approved by members and amounted to **£06,595.91**.

35 **Report of the Clerk**

The Clerk provided Council with a verbal update of Council's Summer Scheme, highlighting that he was yet to receive a formal report or invoice. The Clerk did advise that anecdotal feedback suggested the scheme had been well attended across all four weeks. During discussion, Councillors articulated concerns regarding the lack of diversification with the scheme, suggesting a more 'outdoor / new experiences' scheme be considered in 2020.

Councillor H. Williams provided Council with a verbal update of Council's Dog Show held on September 1st, which alongside the event held earlier in the year were deemed a resounding success, with more than £300.00 raised and strong / growing turn out to both. The Clerk advised Council that Cllr. H Williams and Cllr. D. T. Williams had and over and above their personal investment in organising the show, made a financial contribution of £85.88, in recognition of relevant insurances for which they did not wish to be reimbursed.

The Chair thanked Cllr. H. Williams for her efforts, with Council providing a round of applauds.

The Clerk confirmed receipt of the Defibrillators and Cabinets following Council's recent purchase.

Moved. It was agreed that the Cllr. D. Harse and the Clerk arrange appropriate site visits, surveying and installation, the fourth location being the Fish and Chip Takeaway in Jerusalem Street, Rymney. Delegated powers on associated expenditure were provided by Council.

Moved. Clerk to report progress at the October meeting of Council.

Community Councillor Vacancies

The Clerk confirmed further no applications had been received for Council's co-opted vacancies. Cllr. J. Hughes advised Council that he was aware of two interested parties. Cllr Hughes was urged to advise on the process to express interest to the Clerk in writing. Clerk to agenda potential change to Council's composition for discussion at the October / November meeting of Council.

Armistice Day Arrangements 2019

Moved. Clerk to coordinate the purchase of four wreaths.

Moved. Clerk to coordinate the installation of Council's Lamppost Poppies approximately 14 days prior to Armistice weekend.

Moved. Clerk to coordinate associated road closures.

Christmas Street Lighting Arrangements 2019/20

Moved. Clerk to arrange with Centregreat Ltd that lights be illuminated daily from 2nd December 2019 and until 3rd January 2020, between the hours of 16:00 and Midnight.

Christmas Event Arrangements 2019/20

Santa Event.

Moved. Clerk to work with colleagues at South Wales Fire & Rescue regarding the coordination of Council's annual event for Monday 9th December 2019.

Christmas Pantomime,

Moved. Clerk to work with Cllr. L. Gronow regarding arrangements and associated print.

Schools.

Moved. Clerk to write to local Primary and Secondary Schools to determine dates for Christmas Functions / Nativity Plays and to coordinate the attendance of the Chair.

Payments and Invoices

The Clerk also read aloud the payments / invoices for approval.

Moved. Noted on file.

Date of Next and Future Meetings / Events

- Community Council Thursday 12th September 2019 at 7pm
- Community Council Thursday 10th October 2019 at 7pm
- Community Council Thursday 14th November 2019 at 7pm
- Community Council Thursday 12th December 2019 at 7pm

Meeting Closed at 8.20pm.

_____ **Chairperson**