RHYMNEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the last meeting of the above Community Council held at Abertysswg Community Centre on Thursday 8th September 2022 at 6pm.

Present	
Cllr. M. L. Thomas (Chairperson)	Cllr. M. Powell
Cllr. D. Harse	Cllr. G. Oliver
Cllr. J. E. Hughes	Cllr. L. Harrison
Cllr D. Bradley	Cllr. L. Pulsford
Cllr. C. Cuss	
Apologies	
Cllr. H. Williams	Cllr. D. T. Williams
Cllr. L. Gronow	Cllr. L. Dykes
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In Attendance	
Mr. G. Williams	Clerk to the Council

Mr. Stephen Evans-Jones

Rhymney Valley Food Bank

15 Minutes / Apologies

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 8th September 2022, 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. D. T. Williams, Cllr. H. Williams, Cllr. L. Gronow, and Cllr. L. Dykes.

16 **Declarations of Interest**

- 16.01 Cllr. M. Powell declared an interest in all items for planning. Cllr. Powell stayed in the meeting room, but did not contribute to the discussion.
- 16.02 Cllr. C. Cuss declared an interest in Minute No. 21.07. Ael-y-bryn Community Centre. Breakfast with Santa Claus. Cllr. Cuss stayed in the meeting room, outlined the proposal, but did not contribute to the discussion.

17 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

18 **Planning Applications**

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

Planning Application. 22/0644/FULL

Site Area. 297m Location. 39 Carno Street, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5EE Proposal. Erect rear dormer at 39 Carno Street, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5EE

Decision. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application. 22/0679/FULL

Site Area. 114m Location. 11 Tynewydd Street, Pontlottyn, Bargoed, CF81 9RJ Proposal. Demolish existing extension and erect single storey rear extension at 11 Tynewydd Street, Pontlottyn, Bargoed, CF81 9RJ Decision. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application. 22/0689/NOTR

Site Area. 16,382m

Location. Rhymney Railway Station, The Terrace, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5LW

Proposal. Extend the existing platform and create an island platform, demolish / move existing infrastructure with the site, remove an existing crossing and create four cleaning platforms with interlinked footpath crossing, dismantle existing staff welfare building and replace with a new modular building elsewhere on the site. Internal / external alternations to station building and facilities to including ticketing, public toilets and waiting room, as well as improvements to the existing car park, including the provision of additional parking, at Rhymney Railway Station, The Terrace, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5LW.

Decision. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

Planning Application. 22/0691/ADV

Site Area. 555m

Location. Rhymney Garage, Victoria Road, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5NU Proposal. Retain illuminated totem pole sign at Rhymney Garage, Victoria Road, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5NU.

Decision. Council raise no objections to this proposal.

19 Approval of Community Council Cheques and Payments

September 2022. The attached list of Community Council cheques and payments was approved by members and amounted to **£03,711.64**.

20 Correspondence

20.01 HMRC

Full Payment Submission for period ending 5^{th} August 2022. Moved. Noted on file.

20.02 HMRC

Full Payment Submission for period ending 5th September 2022. Moved. Noted on file.

20.03 Lloyds Bank

Receipt of Sheet for period to 10 August 2022 from Account x0x7x0x1 Receipt of Sheet for period to 9 August 2022 from Account x6x4x9x0 Receipt of Sheet for period to 10 August 2022 from Account x0x7x1x5 Invoice. Banking period 10 July 2022 to 09 August 2022. Moved. Noted on file and for finance file. Moved. Autopayment.

- 20.04 Information Commissioners Office. Payment receipt. Moved. Noted on file.
- 20.05 Caerphilly CBC.

Code of Conduct Training for All Councillors Moved. Clerk to circulate joining instructions for learning and development event scheduled for Tuesday 13th September 2022 at 4.30pm. Note. Event was postponed following the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, new date to be confirmed.

20.06 Caerphilly CBC.

Notification of a community cleansing team during w/c 26th September 2022. Moved. Clerk to highlight a number of areas of potential focus as directed by Councillors.

20.07 Caerphilly CBC

Remittance Advice notifying the receipt of the second precept payment of $\pounds 17,500.00$ Moved. Noted on file.

- 20.08 Audit Wales Invoice for Audit Fee 2021/22. Moved payment. £275.00
- 20.09 Caerphilly CBC Invoice for Community Council Election Fee. Moved. Payment. £1,839.62

20.10 Caerphilly CBC

Pre-Order consultation for the diversion of a public right of way at the former Royal British Legion Club, Rhymney. Moved. Council raise no objections to the proposal.

20.11 Abertysswg Allotment Association Grant aid application. Moved. Payment £75.00.

21 Report of the Clerk

21.01 Payments and Invoices

The Clerk read aloud the payments / invoices for approval. Moved. All payments were approved by Members.

21.02 Armistice Day Arrangements 2022

Moved. Clerk to coordinate the installation of Council's 100x Lamppost Poppies approximately 10 days prior to Armistice weekend.

Moved. Clerk to coordinate the purchase of 4x 18" Poppy Wreaths for use over the Armistice weekend.

Moved. Clerk to coordinate associated road closures for Abertysswg and Rhymney.

21.03 Christmas Street Lighting Arrangements 2022/23

Moved. Clerk to arrange with Lite Ltd / Centregreat Ltd that lights be illuminated daily from 1st December 2022 and until 3rd January 2023, between the hours of 16:00 and midnight.

21.04 Santa on the Fire Engine Event 2022

Moved. Clerk to arrange Council's annual event for Monday 5th December 2022,

Moved. Clerk to liaise with colleagues at Rhymney Fire Station to agree a four-stop model for 2022.

Moved. Clerk to develop and distribute the leaflets to local nurseries and all Primary Schools during w/c 28th November 2022.

Moved. Clerk to make necessary arrangements regarding the purchase of selection boxes for use at the event – approximately 400 units as a first estimate based on previous attendance.

21.05 Christmas Pantomime 2022

Moved. Clerk to liaise with Cllr. L. Gronow on arrangements for this year's pantomime and to put necessary action and purchases in place.

21.06 Quarter 1 Expenditure Report

The Clerk provided Council with a detailed written and verbal report of the financial expenditure incurred during Quarter 1 of 2022/23, highlighting variance / progress against the previously agreed budget headings. Moved. Noted on file.

21.07 Ael-y-bryn Community Centre. Breakfast with Santa Claus

Cllr. C. Cuss brought to Council's attention, plans to organise an annual event at Ael-y-bryn Community Centre, highlighting the potential need for financial support to purchase associated infrastructure i.e. Santa costume, decorations, consumables etc.

Moved. Council agreed in principle to support through Grant Funding.

Moved. Cllr Cuss to return with a more detailed and costed proposal to the October meeting of Council for decision and payment.

22 Rhymney Valley Food Bank. Mr. Steven Evans-Jones

Mr. Steven Evans-Jones provided Council with a short verbal presentation on the role of the Foodbank, highlighting statistics of use, and the increased dependence within society. Mr. Evan-Jones then answered questions from members.

Moved. Mr. Steven Evans-Jones to provide the Clerk with further data and supporting information on the cost of food parcels for consideration by Council.

Moved. Clerk to report for consideration / decision at the October meeting of Council.

In discussion it was also agreed that the Clerk invite colleagues from RWE to the October meeting of Council and Dr. David Llewellyn to the November meeting of Council. Moved. Clerk to coordinate.

Date of Next and Future Meetings / Events

- Community Council
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- Thursday 10th November 2022 at 6pm Thursday 8th December 2022 at 6pm
- Thursday 12th January 2023 at 6pm
- Thursday 9th February 2023 at 6pm Thursday 9th March 2023 at 6pm
- Community Council

Meeting Closed at 7.20pm

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