RHYMNEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the last meeting of the above Community Council held at Abertysswg Community Centre on Thursday 14th March 2024 at 6pm.

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

47 Minutes / Apologies

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13th February 2024, previously circulated to Members were accepted as an accurate record and signed by the Chairperson Cllr. C. Cuss.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. M. Powell, Cllr. G. Oliver, Cllr L. Harrison and Cllr. L. Gronow.

Apologies for absence were also received from colleagues at Mynydd Bedwellte Wind Farm (Jennifer Lewis).

Moved. Clerk to reschedule attendance for the April meeting of Council.

48 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest received from members.

49 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

50 Planning Applications

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

Planning Ref: 24/0104/HH Location: 132 Hill Street, Rhymney, NP22 5JH Proposal: Erect garage replacing existing outbuildings / store to the rear of 132 Hill Street, Rhymney, NP22 5JH Moved. Council raises no objections to the proposal

Planning Ref: 24/0078/LBC

Location: 2 Collins Row, Bute Town, Rhymney, Tredegar Proposal: Strip and replace concrete tiles with new Canadian Glendyne blue grey roof tiles and 2 Collins Row, Bute Town, Rhymney, Tredegar Moved. Council raises no objections to the proposal

Planning Ref: 24/0152/COU Location: 16 High Street, Rhymney, NP22 5NB Proposal: Change the use of a four-bedroom semi-detached house (C3) to a five bedroom HMO (C4) Moved. Council raises objections to the proposal based on the number of HMOs already located in the area.

51 Approval of Community Council Cheques and Payments

51.01 The attached list of Community Council cheques and payments was approved by members and amounted to **£00,843.48**.

52 Correspondence

- 52.01 HMRC Full Payment Submission for period ending 5th March 2024. Moved. Noted on file.
- 52.02 Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report 2024 In accordance with the requirements of Section 147 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011, the Clerk reported receipt of the above-mentioned report which will have effect for the financial year 2024/25 Moved. Clerk to agenda for consideration at the Annual General Meeting of Council.
- 52.03 LITE Order Acknowledgement for Year 3 of 5. Moved. Noted on file.
- 52.04 Caerphilly CBC Review of Polling Station arrangements of Caerphilly. Moved. Noted on file.
- 52.05 Wales Air Ambulance Charity Letter / email of thanks for Council's previous Grant Aid donation. Moved. Noted on file.

53 **Report of the Clerk**

53.01 Payments and Invoices

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

The Clerk went on to advise that activity associated with end of year reporting, including Community Council Accounts, HM Revenue & Customs – VAT reclaim and EOYR reporting for RTI was progressing well and would be completed ahead of timescale requirements.

53.02 Grant Funding Application

The Clerk advised that and as requested, he had submitted an application to the Pen Bryn Oer Wind Farm Community Fund – the application requesting

support with the funding of an Autumn Playscheme, during the October Half Term Holidays. Application Ref: RNB 2024-13946. Moved. Clerk to update Council when an outcome is known.

53.03 School Governors

Moved. Clerk to confirm the quarterly meeting dates for Governor Meetings at Ysgol Y Lawnt Primary School, thus allowing for Councillors to consider the available Community Governor position.

54 **GAVO Participatory Budgeting**

(Geraint Jones – Participatory Budgeting Officer)

Mr. Jones provided Council with a verbal update on recent engagement activities across the Community Council area, whilst also explaining the modelling approach to the selection and shortlisting of priorities and how this bottom up approach tends to engender stronger support. Mr. Jones then took questions / comments from Councillors, taking the opportunity to further elaborate on existing projects and highlighting how Council / Councillors can both aid participation and get involved.

Cllr. Cuss thanked Mr. Jones for attending the meeting.

Date of Next and Future Meetings / Events

- Community Council
- Community AGM
- Community Council
- Community Council

Thursday 11th April 2024 at 6pm Thursday 9th May 2024 at 6pm Thursday 6th June 2024 at 6pm Thursday 11th July 2024 at 6pm

Meeting Closed at 7.10pm

Chairperson