

RHYMNEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the last meeting of the above Community Council held at Abertysswg Community Centre on Thursday 10th April 2025 at 6pm.

Present

Cllr. L. Dykes (Chairperson)

Cllr. L. Gronow

Cllr. J. E. Hughes

Cllr. C. Cuss

Cllr. D. Harse

Apologies

Cllr. M. Powell

Cllr. D. Bradley

Cllr. L. Harrison

Cllr. Z. Williams

Cllr. L. Pulsford

In Attendance

Mr. G. Williams

Clerk to the Council

01 Minutes / Apologies

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 13th March 2025, previously circulated to Members were accepted as an accurate record and signed by the Chairperson Cllr. L. Dykes.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M. Powell, Cllr. Z. Williams, Cllr. L. Harrison, Cllr. L. Pulsford and Cllr. D. Bradley.

02 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest received.

03 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the March minutes.

04 Planning Applications

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

Planning Ref: 25/0175/COU

Location: The Chapel, Victoria Road, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5NU.

Proposal: Change the use from D2 (Leisure) to C3 (Dwelling House) to 3 no residential flats, including new front porch, 2x timber access gates and bi-folding doors at The Chapel, Victoria Road, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5NU.

Moved. Council raises no objections to the proposal.

Planning Ref: 25/0185/COU

Location: Rhymney Function Suite, Maerdy Industrial Estate, South, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5PH.

Proposal: Change the use from B8 Storage to D2 Gym Fitness Centre at Rhymney Function Suite, Maerdy Industrial Estate, South, Rhymney, Tredegar, NP22 5PH.

Moved. Council raises no objections to the proposal.

Planning Ref: 25/0178/FULL

Location: Oaklands, 13 Fochriw Road, Pontllytyn, Bargoed, CF81 9QH.

Proposal: Erect first floor extension and erect two storey front porch at Oaklands, 13 Fochriw Road, Pontllytyn, Bargoed, CF81 9QH.

Moved. Council raises no objections to the proposal.

05 Approval of Community Council Cheques and Payments

- 05.01 The attached list of Community Council cheques and payments was approved by members and amounted to **£05,568.90**

06 Correspondence

06.01 HMRC

Full Payment Submission for period ending 5th April 2025.

Moved. Noted on file.

06.02 Ael-y-bryn Community Centre

Application for Grant Aid assistance linked to the delivery of VE80 celebrations in early May 2025.

Moved. Payment. £300.00.

06.03 Zurich Municipal Insurance

Invoice for the provision of insurance cover.

Moved. Payment. £677.66

06.04 PAYE – Notice to employer of employee's tax code for 2025/26.

Moved. Noted on file.

06.05 Town and Community Council Liaison Committee.

Subscription and administration charges for 2024-25.

Moved. Payment. £100.00

06.06 LITE Lighting and Illumination Technology Experience

Payment 1 for Year 4 of 5.

Moved. Payment. £1,692.96.

06.07 Cartridge People

Invoice for the supply of Ink Cartridge replacements.

Moved. Payment. £77.90

06.08 Transport for Wales

Notification of periods of no rail service between Caerphilly and Rhymney Stations, effective from 26th March 2025. A timetable to support the temporary changes was also shared as part of the correspondence.

Moved. Noted on file.

07 Report of the Clerk

07.01 Payments and Invoices

The Clerk read aloud the payments / invoices for approval.

Moved. All payments were approved by Members.

07.02 VE80 Day Celebrations May 2025

The Clerk highlighted that and as previously requested, he had:

1. Purchased variance materials aligned with the dressing of war memorials across the Community Council area ahead of celebrations on Thursday 8th May 2025

Moved. Payment. £461.97

Moved. Clerk to distribute materials to Councillors when received.

2. Made arrangements with colleagues at Caerphilly CBC and Gwent Police to coordinate road closures aligned with a service at the Rhymney War Memorial. Further clarity on arrangements for the day to follow in the coming days, including whether the closure would be billable by Caerphilly CBC.

07.03 Summer Scheme 2025

Moved. The Clerk was asked to explore delivery options relevant to Council's Summer Scheme in August 2025. To include the potential for support from In-House Entertainment and Skateboard UK.

Moved. Clerk to agenda as special item on the close of Council's May AGM.

08 Gwent Police

Apologies for absence were received from colleagues at Gwent Police.

Date of Next and Future Meetings / Events

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| • Community Council | Thursday 10 th July 2025 at 6pm |
| • Community Council | Thursday 11 th September 2025 at 6pm |
| • Community Council | Thursday 9 th October 2025 at 6pm |
| • Community Council | Thursday 13 th November 2025 at 6pm |
| • Community Council | Thursday 11 th December 2025 at 6pm |
| • Community Council | Thursday 8 th January 2026 at 6pm |
| • Community Council | Thursday 12 th February 2026 at 6pm |
| • Community Council | Thursday 12 th March 2026 at 6pm |

Meeting closed at 6.40pm

_____ **Chairperson**