



# Annual Report 2021/22

## **Information on the Organisation of the Council:**

**Councillors:** As of March 2022, your Community Cllrs were:

### **Hirwaun**

Cllr Richard Jones (Chair)  
Cllr Non Thomas  
Cllr Carol Hindley  
Cllr Jenny Edwards  
Cllr Morien Morgan  
Cllr Ceri Woodley  
Cllr Jenny Myring  
Cllr Adrian Harford  
Cllr Marguerite Courtney-Solbach

### **Penderyn**

Cllr Colin Woodley (Vice Chair)  
Cllr Debbie Smart  
Cllr Margaret Amos  
Cllr Lynwen Law

## **Sub Committees/Working Groups:**

Cllrs sit on the following Community Council committees/working groups:

Finance Committee  
Standing Orders Committee  
Garden Show Working Group  
Hirwaun Village Improvements Working Group  
Climate Emergency Working Group  
Litter Champions

Cllrs attend the following external meetings:

Tower Colliery Site Liaison Committee  
Tower Colliery Environmental Resource Centre Committee  
A465 Heads of the Valleys Dualling Liaison Committee  
Waterfalls Partnership Committee  
Penderyn Quarry Liaison Group  
Gigabit Project  
Minor Authority Representative – Hirwaun Primary School  
Minor Authority Representative – Penderyn Primary School  
One Voice Wales Area Committee Meetings  
Management Committee/Trustees – Hirwaun Village Hall

RCT Community Liaison Committee Meeting

PACT Meeting – Hirwaun

PACT Meeting – Penderyn

Sight Loss Champion

Save a Life Cymru Champion

### **Key Contact Information:**

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### **Basic Financial Information:**

Delays due to COVID mean that the reports are taking longer than usual to come back from the External Auditors. You will find information relating to this on our website.

### **Relationship with Principal Council:**

The Community Council has signed a Charter agreement with Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council whilst recognising our respective responsibilities as autonomous, democratically elected statutory bodies which sets out how we aim to work together for the benefit of the local communities.

### **Resident Complaints:**

Complaints from residents are brought to the attention of Cllrs at full council meetings and forwarded onto the relevant body.

### **Activities:**

#### **Key Council objectives for the year:**

To enhance the village for it's residents.

#### **Assets and Services:**

The Community Council owns The Old Fire Station which is leased to The Garden Society for the benefit of the community.

### **Activities:**

We carried out the following activities last year:

Great British Spring Clean litter pick

Wildlife Habitat competition

Christmas Acts of Kindness gifts

Christmas Painting Competition

Remembrance Day Parade

Poppy Appeal

Autumn Acts Kindness donation of aprons to Penderyn Village Pantry

Daffodil bulbs for residents	Spring Bulb planting
Virtual Garden Show	Seed Bomb making
Butterfly Mural and Garden	Hirwaun & Penderyn in Bloom
Bug Hotel making	Wellbeing Nature Walk
Maintaining the Penderyn planters	Easter Eggs for schools
Summer Acts of Kindness wellbeing sessions for the Scouts and Guides	
Springtime Acts of Kindness donation of plants to the residents of The Havens	

### **Achievements:**

Greenwood Drive bus shelter installation.

Grants applied for and received:

£4,090.24 – Pen y Cymoedd – Repairs to The Old Fire Station  
 £250 – Interlink – Springtime Acts of Kindness - Plants for The Havens  
 £1,000 – Tesco Groundwork Bags of Help - Additional hanging baskets for Penderyn  
 £250 – Interlink – Summer Acts of Kindness – Wellbeing sessions for the Scouts and Guides  
 £250 – Interlink – Autumn Acts of Kindness – Aprons for Penderyn Pantry  
 £1,800 – Christmas light sponsorship  
 £670 – Interlink – Christmas Acts of Kindness – Christmas hampers for residents  
 £489.84 – Local Places for Nature – Wildlife habitat boxes  
 £1,111.11 – RCT – Electronic equipment for Hybrid Council meetings  
 £1,080 – Hanson – Christmas lightning adaption for the 4 new Penderyn Christmas lights  
 Total grants received £10,991.19

### **Priorities:**

Planned activities - We will continue with our environmental projects which aim to improve the village, and our environment. These include: providing flower baskets and planters, spring bulbs, Garden Show, Seed Bomb Making and litter picks.

We will continue to provide Christmas lighting, and to organise the Remembrance Day parade.

Future budget requirements: These will be met via our precept and grant funding.