



### **Graig Y Coed Woodland Project**

Following the application by Llanrhidian Higher Community Council, we are pleased to announce that we were awarded grant funding of £10,000. The paths at the Woodland Project have been cleared and are open for residents and visitors to enjoy. Please visit the site to see what a great asset it is for our communities!

The Community Council will be organising a meeting with the volunteer group in April in order to progress to the next stage of the project. Anyone wishing to join the volunteer group should contact Jeremy Parkhouse, Clerk of the Community Council [clerk@llanrhidianhighercommunitycouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@llanrhidianhighercommunitycouncil.co.uk).

For background information, Swansea Council has now awarded funding worth a combined £178,000 to 14 schemes under the second round of the overall Rural Anchor Grant being funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

This follows funding that's been previously awarded to other projects as part of the first funding round. Schemes to have successfully bid for round two project funding include the volunteer-based Graig y Coed Woodland Project led by Llanrhidian Higher Community Council, which is transforming a derelict woodland site into a nature park.

All projects that submit funding applications are assessed by a rural advisory group. Cllr Andrew Stevens, a member of the group and Swansea Council's Cabinet Member for Environment and Infrastructure, said: "Rural communities make an important contribution to our city and county's economy and culture, which is why the funding of rural projects is such a key theme of our Shared Prosperity Fund investment in Swansea."