

Llanrhidian Higher Community Council

Annual Plan 2025-2026

Welcome to the Community Council's Draft Annual Report for 2025-2026.

The report gives information about the Community Council, the activities it carries out and its priorities for the forthcoming year.

A complete list of all Community Councillors is included on the next page of the report, where you will also find details of how to contact them.

Jeremy Parkhouse

Clerk to the Community Council

3rd April 2025

Llanrhidian Higher Community Council - Vision

‘Working towards healthy, prosperous, caring, attractive and environmentally friendly communities’.

Core Values

The following core values set the foundation for Llanrhidian Higher Community Council, providing a clear direction for everything that happens within our day to day operations. Through applying these values into our decision making, we hope to achieve the aim of our vision statement.

Community:

Recognising the community has a right to be included in decisions that affect them. Our work will be community focused; working collaboratively with councillors, employees, contractors, partners and everybody in the community to understand and proactively respond to the changing needs of the people we serve.

Transparent:

We will develop a transparent culture and build visibility into our decision-making process and actions to build trust.

Integrity:

We uphold the highest standards of integrity in all that we do.

Respectful:

We will be respectful of each other, valuing the uniqueness and diversity of each individual and group within the community.

Collaborative:

We work in collaboration and promote positive communication and creativity.

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The Community Council consists of 10 Councillors, none of whom receive remuneration. Councillors are appointed through election or co-option and the current term is from 2022-2027. Councillors were elected at the Local Government elections in May 2027.

The Council employs one part-time employee who is the Clerk:

Mr Jeremy Parkhouse, Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

The Council meets 10 times per year, normally on the third Thursday of each month and holds its Annual Meeting during May. The dates of the Council meetings are attached on the next page. The Council also has Finance, Personnel and Events & Projects Committees.

All meetings are advertised on the Council's website www.llanrhidianhighercommunitycouncil.co.uk and on the noticeboards situated in the Memorial Gardens, Penclawdd.

The public are welcome to attend meetings and there is an item on every agenda where the public have up to 10 minutes to ask questions relating to any agenda items.

DATES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS – 2025/2026

Meetings Commence at 7 p.m. on the following dates: -

15th May 2025	- Penclawdd Community Centre
(Annual Meeting)	
19th June 2025	- Penclawdd Community Centre
17th July 2025	- Penclawdd Community Centre
August 2025	- Council in Recess
18th September 2025	- Penclawdd Community Centre
16th October 2025	- Penclawdd Community Centre
20th November 2025	- Penclawdd Community Centre
December 2025	- Council in Recess
15th January 2026	- Penclawdd Community Centre
19th February 2026	- Penclawdd Community Centre
19th March 2026	- Penclawdd Community Centre
16th April 2026	- Penclawdd Community Centre
21st May 2026	- Penclawdd Community Centre

Council Property

The Council currently manages the following sites and employs a ground maintenance contractor to manage its property: -

- Penclawdd Recreation Ground, including the Rugby Pavilion, Bowls / Weights Pavilion, Bowls Green and Tennis Courts.
- Dan Y Graig Football Pavilion, Changing Rooms and Playing Field.
- Llanmorlais Recreation Ground, including Pavilion, MUGA, Tennis Courts, Skateboard Park and Playing Field.
- Graig Y Coed Pavilion and Playing Fields (1 Football and 1 Rugby) (Leased from Swansea Council)
- Crofty Playground (Leased from National Trust)
- Penclawdd Playground (Leased from Somerset Trust).
- Foreshore Car Park, Penclawdd (Leased from Somerset Trust).
- Memorial Gardens.
- Mount Hermon Chapel, Cemetery and Car Park, Penclawdd.
- Parc Hendy Cemetery, Penclawdd.
- Graig Y Coed Woodland Project (Leased from Swansea Council).
- Graig Y Coed Community Workshop.

Council Priorities

The Council has highlighted the following as its priorities for 2025/26: -

1)	To work in partnership with the Penclawdd Ward Member to finalise Graig Y Coed Community Shed / woodland project and associated works.
2)	To organise the 2025 Remembrance Sunday service.
3)	To continue to oversee the transfer of graves at Mount Hermon / Parc Hendy Cemeteries onto Edge IT software.
4)	To work towards the resolution of issues at the Foreshore Car Park.
5)	To organise CPR training and to monitor the defibrillators within the Ward.