

To: All Members of Llanrhidian Higher Community Council Personnel Committee

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend the MEETING of LLANRHIDIAN HIGHER COMMUNITY COUNCIL PERSONNEL COMMITTEE to be held at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 12th March 2024 at Penclawdd Community Centre, Penclawdd.

Public questions are included at Item No.4 and must relate to items listed on the agenda. To access the meeting via the telephone, please contact clerk@llanrhidianhighercommunitycouncil.co.uk no later than 2 days before the start of the meeting to receive an invitation.

AGENDA

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Jeremy Parkhouse

Jeremy Parkhouse
Clerk to the Community Council
6th March 2024

Personnel Committee

Councillor Leanne Davies	Councillor Paul Tucker
Councillor Sarah Hughes (Chair)	Councillor Andrew Williams
Councillor James Matthews (Vice-Chair)	Quorum – 3

Item No. 2
Disclosures of Interest

To receive Disclosures of Interest from Councillors and Officers

Councillors

Councillors Interests are made in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Conduct adopted by the Llanrhidian Higher Community Council. You must disclose orally to the meeting the existence and nature of that interest.

NOTE: You are requested to identify the Agenda Item / Minute No. / Planning Application No. and Subject Matter to which that interest relates and to enter all declared interests on the sheet provided for that purpose at the meeting.

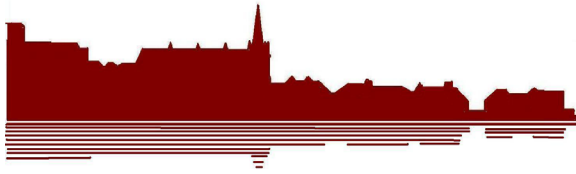
1. If you have a **Personal Interest** as set out in **Paragraph 10** of the Code, you **MAY STAY, SPEAK AND VOTE** unless it is also a Prejudicial Interest.
2. If you have a Personal Interest which is also a **Prejudicial Interest** as set out in **Paragraph 12** of the Code, then subject to point 3 below, you **MUST WITHDRAW** from the meeting (unless you have obtained a dispensation from the City and County of Swansea's Standards Committee)
3. Where you have a Prejudicial Interest you may attend the meeting but only for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the business, **provided** that the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose, whether under a statutory right or otherwise. In such a case, you **must withdraw from the meeting immediately after the period for making representations, answering questions, or giving evidence relating to the business has ended**, and in any event before further consideration of the business begins, whether or not the public are allowed to remain in attendance for such consideration (**Paragraph 14** of the Code).
4. Where you have agreement from the Monitoring Officer that the information relating to your Personal Interest is **sensitive information**, as set out in **Paragraph 16** of the Code of Conduct, your obligation to disclose such information is replaced with an obligation to disclose the existence of a personal interest and to confirm that the Monitoring Officer has agreed that the nature of such personal interest is sensitive information.
5. If you are relying on a **grant of a dispensation** by the Standards Committee, you must, before the matter is under consideration:
 - i) Disclose orally both the interest concerned and the existence of the dispensation; and
 - ii) Before or immediately after the close of the meeting give written notification to the Authority containing:

- a) Details of the prejudicial interest;
- b) Details of the business to which the prejudicial interest relates;
- c) Details of, and the date on which, the dispensation was granted; and
- d) Your signature

Officers

Financial Interests

1. If an Officer has a financial interest in any matter which arises for decision at any meeting to which the Officer is reporting or at which the Officer is in attendance involving any member of the Council and /or any third party the Officer shall declare an interest in that matter and take no part in the consideration or determination of the matter and shall withdraw from the meeting while that matter is considered. Any such declaration made in a meeting of a constitutional body shall be recorded in the minutes of that meeting. No Officer shall make a report to a meeting for a decision to be made on any matter in which s/he has a financial interest.
2. A "financial interest" is defined as any interest affecting the financial position of the Officer, either to his/her benefit or to his/her detriment. It also includes an interest on the same basis for any member of the Officers family or a close friend and any company firm or business from which an Officer or a member of his/her family receives any remuneration.



Llanrhidian Higher Community Council
Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting
Held at Penclawdd Rugby Football Club
on Tuesday, 3rd October 2023 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Councillor Sarah Hughes (Chair) presided

Councillors: James Matthews Paul Tucker and Andrew Williams

Officers: Jeremy Parkhouse – Clerk to the Community Council

9. Election of Vice Chair of the Personnel Committee

Resolved that Councillor James Matthews be elected Vice-Chair of the Personnel Committee.

10. Apology for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Leanne Davies.

11. Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by Llanrhidian Higher Community Council, no interests were declared.

12. Minutes

Resolved that the Minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held on 6th June 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record.

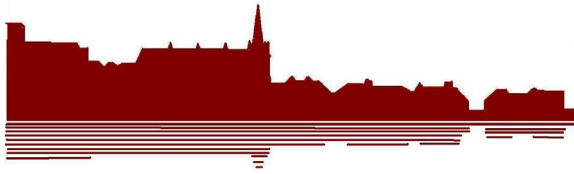
13. Public Question Time

None.

14. Exclusion of the Public

Resolved that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item(s) of business on the grounds that that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted as set out in the provisions of Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

(Closed Session)



15. Personnel Matters

The Clerk presented a report on personnel matters that covered the following areas: -

1. To oversee the performance / annual appraisal / set the targets & priorities of the Clerk (to link in with the Annual Plan).
2. To oversee and monitor the hours, holiday entitlement, sickness or absence of the Clerk and organising appropriate cover.
3. To manage any disciplinary or grievance issues (for or against) relating to the Clerk.
4. To manage and agree the annual pay of the Clerk.
5. To manage the training and continuous professional development of the Clerk.
6. To deal with any other issues referred by the Council (that do not come under the jurisdiction of the Finance Committee).
7. To manage the training programme / development of Councillors.

The Committee discussed the Clerk's / Council priorities as detailed in the report. Progress was noted on the digital transfer of records at Mount Hermon and Parc Hendy Cemeteries; the Parc Dan Y Graig project; the Bowls Pavilion / Graig Y Coed Pavilion repair projects. The recent anti-social behaviour at Penclawdd Recreation Ground was also discussed.

Resolved that: -

- 1) The Performance Indicators / objectives of the Clerk and Council be noted.
- 2) The Continuous Professional Development (CPD) progress of the Clerk in obtaining the required CPD points to maintain his current membership level of SLCC be noted.
- 3) The Clerk be paid for 100 hours overtime accrued.
- 4) The leave of the Clerk be noted.
- 5) The updated Councillor Training Programme be noted.
- 6) The Clerk obtains a quotation from PES to extend the current CCTV coverage at Penclawdd Recreation Ground.

The meeting ended at 7.45 p.m.

Chair

Item No. 5

Report of the Clerk

Personnel Committee – 12th March 2024

Exclusion of the Public

Purpose:	To consider whether the Public should be excluded from the following items of business.
Reason for Decision:	To comply with legislation.
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that:
1)	The public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item(s) of business on the grounds that that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted as set out in the provisions of Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960., allows a Community Council to pass a resolution excluding the public from a meeting during an item of business.
- 1.2 Such a resolution is dependent on whether it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that if members of the public were present during that item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information.

2. Exclusion of the Public / Public Interest Test

- 2.1 In order to comply with the above-mentioned legislation, Council will be requested to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the item(s) of business identified in the recommendation(s) to the report on the grounds that it / they involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

3. Legal Implications

- 3.1 The legislative provisions are set out in the report.