Decisions made at Grovesend & Waungron Community Council Meeting held on Monday 8 September 2025

Present: Councillors

Mrs L Holloway (Chairperson)

Mr S Bates Mr W Erasmus Mr A Hamilton Mr M Jones Mr M Osborn

Clerk

Mrs Y Hamilton **Public Attendance**

W B Davies J Statham

R Carpenter – ELI Project T Presley – ELI Project S Presley – ELI Project

Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from T Hardwick, R Hardwick, S Morgan and H Talaat.

Minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2025

The minutes were approved as a true and accurate record. This was proposed by M Osborn and seconded by S Bates.

Planning Applications

Application No: 2025/1823/FUL

14 Plas Newydd, Grovesend, Swansea, SA4 4WN Proposal: Rear and side ground floor extension

Decision: No objection

Funding requests and decisions agreed

The National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has reached an agreement on rates of pay applicable from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026 and encourage councils to implement this pay award as soon as possible. The Clerk is currently on SCP26 at £18.72 per hour and the new rate is £19.32. **Decision:** L Holloway proposed that the new rate be applied and backdated to April. This was seconded by M Osborn. All Members agreed.

Training costs

Decision – All Members agreed to pay for the Biodiversity Part 1 and Part 2 – Module 25 and 26 training for M Jones.

Remembrance Service

This year's Remembrance Service is 9 November but following a conversation with Aneira from Mount Pleasant Chapel it was agreed that the best day to hold this year's remembrance service would be 6 November at 6:00 p.m. Due to the low attendance in previous years a discussion was had as to how we could advertise this event. **Decision:** W Erasmus proposed that we get a banner done to advertise and was seconded by M Jones. To save costs it was agreed that we purchase a reusable banner where we can change the date. All Members agreed.

Halloween Competition

A discussion was held regarding our yearly Halloween competition following feedback from last year. Last year the following prizes were given out 1st prize £75.00; 2nd prize £50.00 and 3rd prize

£25.00. Boxes of chocolates would be provided to the runners-up. **Decision:** It was agreed that the judging will take place at 5:00 p.m. on 31 October 2025. Judges will be Y Hamilton, S Bates, T Hardwick and L Holloway. Prizes will be discussed at our next meeting. **Action:** Clerk to advertise the competition on our Social Media pages and website.

Any other business at the discretion of the Chair

W Erasmus brought up the issue with Councillors using their personal emails as opposed to being provided with an official email address. The Clerk confirmed that any official business does come through her email address which is a dedicated official email address. The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson also have dedicated email addresses. **Decision:** It was agreed that we would monitor this for the time being.

Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place on Monday 13 October 2025 at the Miners Welfare Hall. Remote access is available for anyone wishing to attend remotely.