

## **WICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

A meeting of Wick Community Council was held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>  
November 2025 at Wick Sports Pavilion

	<b>MEETING OPENED:</b> The Chair, Cllr D Ambrose opened the meeting at 7.30pm
	<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>
	Cllr D Ambrose, Cllr J Purcell, Cllr P Murphy, Cllr C Hawkins, and Cllr G Crockford Cllr C Stallard,, Vale Ward Councillor Apologies received from Cllr M Baker, Cllr R Goddin and Cllr J Protheroe.
<b>25.122</b>	<b>PUBLIC SESSION</b>
25.122.01	There were no members of the public present.
<b>25.123</b>	<b>POLICE REPORT</b>
25.123.01	Pc Williamson reported that three crimes had been reported to the Police since our last meeting, a criminal damage, threats and harassment. Further afield there had been crimes involving rogue traders at Og more by Sea. Several road safety issues were discussed which Pc Williamson would follow up. Pc Williamson informed the council that he would be leaving his role in January. Councillors wish him well for his new post in Police HQ.
<b>25.124</b>	<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST:</b>
25.124.01	None
<b>25.125</b>	<b>MINUTES OF OUR LAST MEETING</b>
25.125.01	The minutes of the October 2025 meeting were agreed, Proposed Cllr P Murphy Seconded Cllr J Purcell
<b>25.126</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b>
25.126.01	Remote access to council meetings. The Clerk reported that he had so far been unable to find a suitable external microphone which would work with WhatsApp within the agreed price range. He would keep looking.
25.126.02	Capital Grant for Play equipment. The deposit for the skate ramp has been paid, awaiting information on installation.
25.126.03	St David's Day concert. The Clerk reported that, following discussions with the Fete Committee he had submitted a bid to Welsh Government on behalf of the council for funding to

	organise a St David's Day concert at the Village Hall. If successful, the council would need to pay expenses for the concert and reclaim the money from Welsh Government.
<b>25.127</b>	<b>FINANCE</b>
25.127.01	Cllr Murphy reported that there was a balance of £13399.92 in the current account and £27587.67 in the business account. These figures reconciled with our accounts.
25.127.02	Cllr Murphy reported that there had been a considerable increase in the electricity charge for the Christmas Tree supply. Clerk will read the meter next week and take this up with the electric company.
25.127.03	Cllr Murphy had circulated a suggested budget for 2026/27 which was discussed. There was a general agreement that the precept should increase to £12,000. It was agreed to defer a decision on the budget and precept until December.
25.127.04	It was agreed to defer a decision on Pavilion and pitch charges until New Year.
<b>25.128</b>	<b>PLANNING MATTERS</b>
25.128.01	<p><b>Decisions</b></p> <p>2025/00605/FUL Location : Farm Villa, Llantwit Road, Wick    Proposal : Single-storey extension to the side and rear of the property.    Conversion of the loft and extension to the roof Refused</p> <p>2025/00941/FUL    Location : 15, St Brides Road, Wick    Proposal : Part demolition of existing single skin brick outhouse and construction of new extension Approved</p> <p>2025/00397/FUL    Location : West Ceffyl, Broughton Road, Wick    Proposal : Renovation of existing Barn and change of use to Dog Boarding - Approved</p>
25.128.02	<p><b>Applications</b></p> <p>- 2025/00951/FUL (ED) Location : 28 Ewenny Road, Wick    Proposal : Proposed chalet providing accessible living accommodation in the rear garden. No observations.</p>
<b>25.129</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>
25.129.01	Vale of Glamorgan Council- local Lettings Policy for Clos y Stable. This was discussed and agreed.
25.129.02	Vale of Glamorgan Council – Wellbeing of future generations report . Noted

25.129.03	Welsh Government – Changes to Local Election Rules – Noted
25.129.04	Welsh Government - Workshops on Local Resolution Protocol. The Clerk will attend and report back.
25.129.05	Welsh Air Ambulance – Request for Funding - It was agreed to donate £100.00 Proposed Cllr P Murphy Seconded Cllr J Purcell
<b>25.130</b>	<b>REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE COMMITTEES etc</b>
25.130.01	Cllr Purcell had attended a meeting of the Village Hall committee. There had been a lengthy discussion on the capacity of the Hall for the village play.
25.130.02	Cllr Crockford reported that she and the Clerk had attended the area meeting of One Voice Wales. There had been a presentation on climate change and scrutiny arrangements.
25.130.03	The Clerk had attended a meeting of Clerks with the monitoring officer. There were discussions on the Local Resolutions Protocol, declarations of interest and the arrangements for the mergers of councils in 2027. There would be meetings called on the merger arrangements in June 2026.
<b>25.131</b>	<b>SPORTS PAVILION AND MUGA</b>
25.131.01	The Clerk reported that the Vale were opening the gate every morning to allow teachers from Wick School to park at the Pavilion but they were not using our car park but parking at the Lamb and Flag. As a result the gate was open all day with no vehicles present and the Clerk was locking the gate again every evening. <b>Action</b> Clerk to ask Cllr Baker if the parking facilities were still needed.
25.131.02	The Clerk had recirculated the brief for the Feasibility study which had been agreed in 2024 and another document received. There was a lengthy discussion on the matter. It was suggested that we could do this work easily ourselves, and that we should consider having a brainstorming session in the New Year. It was agreed to defer a decision on further action until the New Year. Cllr Murphy will circulate documents from Wick Wanderers for consideration.
<b>25.132</b>	<b>COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES</b>

25.132.01	Cllr Stallard reported on the suggestion that the warning lights outside the school should be removed. The school are against this and have asked that the council look at this again.
25.132.02	Cllr Stallard will circulate an Active Travel consultation.
<b>25.133</b>	<b>OTHER BUSINESS</b>
25.133.01	The Clerk reported that he had received a number of complaints about dog mess at various locations around the village. Warnings on Facebook were not having an effect and we should do something concrete to address the problem. The Clerk suggested delivering a role of poo bags to each home.
25.133.02	Following discussions the Clerk was asked to obtain quotes for bag dispensers to be placed at strategic places around the village. <b>Action</b> Clerk to obtain quotes.
<b>25.134</b>	<b>DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING</b>
25.134.01	It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025, at 7.30pm.
Chair signature Date	