

WICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

A meeting of Wick Community Council was held on Thursday 19th
February 2026 at Wick Sports Pavilion

	MEETING OPENED: The Chair, Cllr D Ambrose opened the meeting at 7.30pm
	MEMBERS PRESENT:
	Cllr D Ambrose, Cllr C Hawkins, Cllr P Murphy, Cllr G Crockford, Cllr M Baker and Cllr R Goddin Cllr J Protheroe, Vale Ward Councillor Apologies received from Cllr J Purcell and Cllr C Stallard.
26.014	PUBLIC SESSION
26.014.01	There were 10 members of the public present. 6 members of the public spoke in respect of the Local Development Plan proposals. Issues raised included the planned site being an unacceptable intrusion into the countryside, access to the site through St James Gardens for construction traffic and then by residents, including the risks to children who live and play in the street. Currently roads are maintained at the cost to the residents via a management company. The proximity of the development to the sewage treatment plant. The increase in the number of homes in Wick over recent years. There was concern over the parking of construction workers cars during the construction period. The field is currently extensively used for recreation and dog walking and would be a loss of an amenity for the community. 2 members of Wick Wolves spoke of their concerns over the proposed charges for the hire of the Pavilion, including the removal of the ability to hire the toilet only.
26.215	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
26.215.01	Cllr Hawkins declared a personal but not a prejudicial interest in respect of the agenda item on Pavilion charges as he is a member of three groups which regularly use the Pavilion.
26.215.02	Cllr P Murphy declared a personal and a prejudicial interest in respect of the Local Development plan agenda item, the planned development is adjacent to where he lives.
26.216	PLANNING
26.216.01	Local Development Plan consultation.
	Due to the public interest in this item the Chair moved this item up the agenda. Having declared a prejudicial interest Cllr Murphy left the room Councillors then gave their views on the proposal and discussed our response, as a council, to it. Points raised by councillors

	<p>included, the need for affordable homes for young people living in the village, the doubling in size of the village if the development goes ahead, the unsuitability of that site, the need to consult with the whole village to ascertain their views on the development, preserving the rural nature of the village, is the infrastructure sufficient, the success of the local lettings policy, that social housing in the village is oversubscribed, the affect of increased traffic on residents of St James Gardens. The need for the community council to retain the ability to influence any future development planning applications.</p> <p>There followed a discussion on what action should be taken. It was agreed that there should be a new questionnaire drawn up which would encourage residents to respond to the LDP consultation and to seek the views of all residents, not just those who are against any development.</p> <p>It was suggested that a Microsoft Forms survey via the village hub and other groups would be most effective. Cllr Baker offered to draw up a sample survey and circulate it for comment with a view to it being published by next Wednesday at the latest.</p> <p>It was resolved that Cllr Baker put together a Microsoft Forms survey for circulation and agreement by Monday with the aim that it goes live Tuesday. It was also resolved to call a special meeting of the Community Council on Thursday 5th March at 7.30pm.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Baker Seconded Cllr Crockford</p>
26.,216.02	Planning Applications
	<p>Cllr Murphy rejoined the meeting.</p> <p>: Farm Villa, Llantwit Road, Wick Proposal : Demolition of the existing two-storey side extension. Demolition of the existing conservatory. Construction of a new two-storey side extension No objections</p> <p>2026/00092/FUL (KDS) Location : 30 Ewenny Road, Wick Proposal : Proposed single storey rear extension and first floor rear extension with Juliette balcony No objections</p> <p>2026/00074/FUL (ED) Location : Green Isha Farm, Llantwit Road, Wick, Cowbridge Proposal : Redevelopment of stone stables into a dwelling No objections</p>
26.21603.	Planning Decisions
	None
26.017	POLICE REPORT

26.017.01	Pcso Stone reported that 1 crime had been reported to the Police since our last meeting. A theft of a parcel.
26.018	MINUTES OF OUR LAST MEETING
26.018.01	The minutes of the January 2026 meeting were agreed, Proposed Cllr R Goddin, seconded Cllr M Baker
26.019	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
26.019.01	Provision of dog poo bags. The Clerk reported that the original dispenser was now back in stock and would be ordered shortly Capital Grant for Play equipment.
26.019.02	The manufacturer has promised to install it next month with a possible opening event during the holidays. The Vale Council has offered funding towards skateboarding lessons. It was agreed to accept that funding on condition it was used for the lessons. Cllr Protheroe will investigate a Welsh Skateboarding Champion to attend the opening.
26.019.03	Development at Clos y Stabl. The Clerk reported that Welcome to Wick cards with details of where residents could find the Village Guide had been delivered to each home. It was agreed to defer a welcome event and possibly hold a Meet your Counsellor event in the spring. Proposed Cllr M Baker Seconded Cllr G Crockford.
26.019.04	Cllr Ambrose was thanked for updating the Village Guide. It was agreed to purchase a small stock of Welcome cards for delivery to other new residents. Proposed Cllr D Ambrose Seconded Cllr G Crockford.
26.020	FINANCE
26.020.01	Cllr Murphy reported that there was a balance of £17,737.23 in the current account and £27668.17 in the business account. These figures reconciled with our accounts.
26.020.02	Cllr Murphy reported that Audit Wales had completed their audit which was qualified. All necessary financial safeguards were in place. The training plan needed updating and individual spending should be approved each month.
26.020.03	Charges for use of the Pavilion. Cllr Murphy had circulated more information on this. Following discussion, it was agreed to defer a decision on this until the next meeting.

26.020.04	<p>Wick Wolves to be supplied with q key to permit toilet use during practice sessions.</p> <p>The Clerk reported that he was unable to make any progress with the Cricket Club Lease until the charge for the storeroom had been agreed. Following discussion, it was agreed to set the fee at £50 per month with a review after one year. The lease would be for five years.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr P Murphy Seconded Cllr R Goddin.</p>
26.021	CORRESPONDENCE
26.021.01	Age Friendly Communities Newsletter - Noted
26.021.02	Vale of Glamorgan Council ward boundary review - Noted
26.022	REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE COMMITTEES etc
26.022.01	The Clerk reported that he had attended the Webinar on the arrangements for the merger of council. There was to be a meeting of Clerks with the monitoring Officer on 5 th March.
26.022.02	Cllr Baker reported that Ceri Thomas, Head Teacher will be retiring in March. A new Head Teacher will be in place in September.
26.023	SPORTS PAVILION AND MUGA
26.023.01	The issue around the sewer has been raised with the Vale and a further survey arranged. There was a delay due to the extent of root growth in the pipes. We are awaiting the result of the survey.
26.023.02	There was still an issue with the insurance to be resolved. It was agreed that the Clerk should seek a meeting with the Vale Chief Executive.
26.023.03	The Clerk has circulated information on a Community Asset Transfer training course which councillors could attend.
26.024	COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES
26.024.01	It was agreed to raise the poor state of the Bus Shelter roof on St Brides Road, opposite the shop with the Vale Council.
26.025	OTHER BUSINESS

26.025.01	Training Plan. There is a need to update our training plan which now needs to include details of individual councillors training needs together with an estimate of the costs. The Clerk will circulate training information to councillors.
26.026	DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING
2.026.01	It was agreed that the next normal meeting would take place on Thursday 19 th March 2026, at 7.30pm. A special meeting to discuss our response to the LDP consultation only will take place on Thursday 5 th March 2026 at 7.30pm
Chair signature Date	