## **Vale of Grwyney Community Council**

### **Vision Statement**

The Vale of Grwyney is a connected and caring community, rooted in the landscape and heritage of the Brecon Beacons National Park. We value our rural character and village life and work to keep our communities vibrant and sustainable.

# We aspire to:

- Protect the natural beauty and rural character of The Vale.
- Strengthen the bonds between our villages and residents.
- Support local initiatives that nurture wellbeing and opportunity.
- Encourage care for our environment and pride in our shared place.
- Build a resilient community where all can feel heard, valued and at home.

#### Mission Statement

The Vale of Grwyney Community Council works with residents to keep our community safe, welcoming and well cared for. We aim to protect the natural beauty and character of The Vale, strengthen local connections and act with openness, fairness, and environmental and financial responsibility.

# **Purpose**

- To act as the first point of contact for local concerns that fall within the Council's responsibilities.
- To provide informed views on planning matters and to help protect and enhance the local environment.
- To encourage and support community and voluntary groups that enhance local wellbeing and benefit the area as a whole.
- To foster a sense of community and belonging, encouraging residents to take part in local life and decision-making.
- To seek opportunities for support and funding that can bring small but meaningful improvements to our community.

### **Objectives**

- To keep the Vale of Grwyney a safe, peaceful and attractive place in which to live and visit.
- To protect, care for and enhance the natural environment and valued local facilities we share.
- To keep residents well informed and strengthen communication.
- To promote inclusion, neighbourliness and shared responsibility for community wellbeing.
- To work cooperatively with the County Council, neighbouring communities and other local partners.
- To act efficiently, transparently and responsibly in all Council matters.

### Methods

To achieve these objectives, the Vale of Grwyney Community Council will:

- Make best use of its financial and voluntary resources to address local priorities.
- Maintain open and ongoing dialogue with residents through meetings, consultations and informal discussions.
- Work with public bodies and other organisations to ensure local voices are heard in wider decision-making.
- Collaborate with neighbouring community councils, local groups and volunteers to share experience and mutual support.
- Provide training and guidance to councillors and staff to maintain high standards of governance and service.
- Review its activities regularly to ensure it remains effective, accountable and responsive to community needs.

We will continue to listen, learn, and adapt to ensure the Vale of Grwyney thrives in changing times.