

26 March, 2014.

LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 500 – 505

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Wednesday, 26 March, 2014, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: F. Akhtar (Chairman)

Cllrs

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| T. Bowen | R. E. Evans |
| S. M. Donoghue | S. N. Lewis |
| G. N. R. Edwards | A. G. Morgan |

500. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. T. Devichand.

501. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

502. FINANCIAL REPORTS

RESOLVED that the committee reports for the Administration and Training Departments to 28 February, 2014, be noted.

503. SCHEDULES OF PAYMENTS

Consideration was given to the Schedules of Payments for the Administration and Training Departments for February 2014, (copies of which had been previously circulated) which revealed that the expenditure amounted to £116,564.93 and £109,599.00 respectively.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the reports be noted.

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504. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Further to Minute No. 386, Members received the report of the Deputy Clerk (Administration) informing of the outcome of a meeting with Pisis.Net on the installation of Office 365 (Cloud) system.

A meeting had taken place between Cllr. A. G. Morgan, officers and Pisis.Net to garner further information on the advantages of installing Office 365. It was confirmed that only the exchange part of the server (e-mails) would be transferred to Office 365. The software would greatly improve access to network information by remote working staff.

It was also suggested converting the administration broadband line at Vauxhall Buildings to fibre broadband which would enable a faster speed to access the network. A conversion of the broadband line at the Stebonheath Training Centre would also take place.

The conversation to Office 365 would take place on 24 April, 2014, at an additional annual cost of £240 per broadband fibre line and a one-off installation charge of £80 per line.

RESOLVED that the report be accepted.

505. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Consideration was given to applications received for financial assistance and it was

RESOLVED that:

- (1). Bobath Children's Therapy Centre Wales – that the application be noted;
- (2). Carmarthenshire Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (3). C.A.T.C.H U.P. Ltd - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (4). Cruse Bereavement Care - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (5). Epilepsy Action Cymru - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (6). Llanelli First Responders - that a contribution of £165 be made;
- (7). NSPCC - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (8). Prism - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (9). Radio Beca – that the application be noted;
- (10). South Wales Junior Cricket League - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (11). St John – Wales - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (12). Talking Books Wales - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (13). Urdd Gobaith Cymru - that the information be noted;
- (14). Victim Support - that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (15). Wellbeing Regeneration Centre – that the application be noted.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.20 p.m.
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The afore-mentioned Minutes were declared to be a true record of the proceedings and signed by the Chairman presiding thereat and were, on 8 April, 2014, adopted by the Council.