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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 97 – 106

At a Meeting of the **RECREATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 21 June 2011, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. T. Rh. Ifan (Chairman)

Cllrs.

D. J. Davies	A. G. Morgan
M. V. Davies	B. C. M. Reynolds
S. N. Lewis	A. C. Thomas

97. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The Chairman referred to the recent demise of Mr B. Lewis, Chairman's Consort to former Councillor Mrs Teresa Lewis in 1986/87. As a mark of respect Members and Officers thereupon stood in silent tribute.

98. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. S. M. Donoghue, H. J. Evans, C. A. Rees and G. H. Wooldridge.

99. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

100. PROGRESS REPORT

RESOLVED that the report of the Technical Services Officer on work undertaken, be noted.

101. FELINFOEL RECREATION GROUND – CAPITAL SCHEME

Further to Minute No. 50, Members were circulated with the Technical Services Officer's progress report.

Members were informed that work was progressing well at the site and the Architect was please with the quality of work.

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Roofing works had been completed and the building was now weather tight and secure. Decoration works had commenced on both floors with mist coats being applied to the facing blockwork. The mechanical and electrical works were advancing well and the first fix was almost complete with the second fix being started.

The Technical Services Officer referred to the recent bat survey report which revealed no evidence of bats roosting at the existing changing rooms or in the near vicinity. In view of this Carmarthenshire County Council's Planning Department had relaxed one of the planning conditions in the planning permission whereby only one bat roost was now required to be fitted in the roof structure instead of two as originally stated. Furthermore, the latest cost projection for the build revealed the project was currently on budget.

RESOLVED that the progress report be noted.

102. FELINFOEL RECREATION GROUND

Members considered the report of the Technical Services Officer for suggested names for the new building and internal rooms.

Communities First had carried out consultation locally and had put forward the following suggestions:

Communities First office	–	Y Bragdy
meeting rooms	–	Y Lliedi
computer suite	–	Glanyrafon
office	–	Y Felin
dining hall	–	Bro las
building name (bilingual)	–	The Felinfoel Connect Centre

RESOLVED that:

- (1) The above room names be accepted but the naming of the building be referred to the next ordinary Council meeting for further consideration; and in order to confirm the Council's corporate identity and ownership of the building; and
- (2) options for corporate branding and building signage also be presented.

103. TRALLWM COMMUNITY HALL

Members were circulated with a letter received from the Support Worker, Perthyn requesting permission to use the grassed parcel of land adjoined to the rear of Trallwm Community Hall.

Perthyn was an organisation that provided support for individuals with learning difficulties and which managed a Local Day Opportunities Centre (LDO) at the Gospel Hall next door to Trallwm Community Hall Monday to Friday and also an Autistic Spectrum Disorder club at the hall once a fortnight on a Saturday. The writer requested the Council to consider granting permission to the organisation to use the parcel of land for its patrons in order for them to participate in light exercise activities in what was felt to be an enclosed and safe environment.

Following discussion it was

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RESOLVED that:

- (1) No objection be made to the proposal provided the organisation acts as a good neighbour at all times;
- (2) if the Trallwm Hall Management Committee needed to use the parcel of land on any particular occasion in connection with a hall function then it would not be available for use; and
- (3) the Trallwm Hall Management Committee be informed of the decision and provided with the contact details of the organisation in order for the matter to be managed locally within the community.

104. DAFEN WELFARE AFC

Consideration having been given to a retrospective request for financial assistance received from Dafen Welfare A.F.C., it was

RESOLVED that a contribution of £600 be confirmed.

105. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT, 1960

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the following matter be considered in private and that the power of exclusion of the public under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960 be exercised.

106. CLOSURE OF BRANCH LIBRARIES - DAFEN AND PONTYATES

Further to Minute No. 543 (19 April, 2011), Members considered the report of the Deputy Clerk (Administration) in connection with the commitment required for the continuation of the branch libraries following the decision of Carmarthenshire County Council to withdraw financial support for the service in the two villages.

Following a lengthy discussion and having taken all aspects of the report findings into consideration including the future obligations and responsibilities associated with the continued hire of the premises for the ongoing provision of the service it was

RESOLVED that the proposal not be supported.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.30 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 12 July, 2011, adopted by the Council.