

30 October, 2013.

LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 268 – 273

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, 30 October, 2013, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. F. Akhtar (Chairman)

Cllrs

T. Bowen	G. N. R. Edwards
S. M. Caiach	H. J. Evans
T. Devichand	R. E. Evans
S. M. Donoghue	S. N. Lewis
A. G. Morgan	

268. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An Apology for absence was received from Cllr. W. V. Thomas (H. J. Evans deputising).

269. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

270. FINANCIAL REPORTS

RESOLVED that the committee reports for the Administration and Training Departments to 30 September 2013, be noted.

271. SCHEDULES OF PAYMENTS

Consideration was given to the Schedules of Payments for the Administration and Training Departments for September 2013, (copies of which had been previously circulated) which revealed that the expenditure amounted to £94,564.53 and £95,651.14 respectively.

RESOLVED that the reports be noted.

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272. WELSH PURCHASING CARD

Members considered correspondence from the Head of Programme, Welsh Government regarding arrangements for the Welsh Purchasing Card (WPC). Members were informed the current framework arrangements for the WPC with the Royal Bank of Scotland were due to expire on 31 March, 2014. The Welsh Government was currently procuring a replacement contract. The expression of interest stage of the procurement had now been completed and the Welsh Government was planning to sign a new contract with a different supplier in December 2013.

It was proposed that the winning bidder would enter into a Master Concession Agreement with Welsh Government which would enable organisations listed within the agreement to utilise the new contract via a call-of process so they could continue to use the WPC as well as allowing access to card management systems and associated services.

The Welsh Government proposed a contractual arrangement with the new supplier whereby it would act as an agent on behalf of the Welsh public sector for those organisations already using the WPC and who wished to continue with the new service from 1 April, 2014 and it was

RESOLVED that the Welsh Government be authorised to act as the Council's agent for the purposes of signing and entering into the Call Off Contract.

273. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

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

RESOLVED as follows:-

- (1) Llanelli Town AFC – that a sponsor board be purchased at a cost of £250.
- (2) SA15 Stage School – that a contribution of £100 be made.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.05 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 November, 2013, adopted by the Council.