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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 131 – 137

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, 18 July, 2017, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. S. L. Davies (Chairman)

Cllrs.

M. V. Davies	J. P. Hart
T. Devichand	S. N. Lewis
P. M. Edwards	I. G. Wooldridge

131. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. T. M. Donoghue, H. J. Evans, A. G. Morgan, R. L. Najmi and C. A. Rees.

132. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

133. TIR EINON PLAY AREA

Cllr. S. L. Davies informed Members that she had received complaints regarding the rubbish being deposited at Tir Einon Play Area, some of the rubbish contained hypodermic needles. Cllr. Davies enquired if the rubbish could be collected twice weekly.

The Clerk informed Members that the rubbish was collected on a Wednesday on a weekly basis but suggested that as an initial improvement measure the collection day could be changed to a Friday coupled with active monitoring of the site for the time being. This would ensure the bins were empty before the weekend when most families used the facilities. However, if after the initial measure there was no visible sign of improvement then consideration could be given to increasing collections to two per week.

Following a discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the weekly collection continue but to change the collection day to a Friday and to monitor the situation.

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**134. TRANSFER OF ASSETS
LLWYNHENDY AND PWLL EDUCATION CENTRES**

Members received the report of the Community Development Officer on the recent interaction with the Corporate Property Department, Carmarthenshire County Council regarding its plans for the former education centres at Llwynhendy and Pwll.

Up until April 2017, the two education centres situated at Llwynhendy Road and Pwll Road were occupied by Carmarthenshire County Council Education Department, however, the service had now been relocated to Burry Port, leaving the buildings vacant and surplus to use.

The buildings were not on the community asset transfer list and were being considered for commercial sale. However, if a robust business case was received from the community for an alternative use then the County Council would give it due consideration.

Public meetings had been held at both locations with positive support received from both communities. Local residents had informed the Council the need for a community centre in Llwynhendy and Pwll via meetings, questionnaires, surveys and other consultation methods.

Following a lengthy discussion whereby Members raised concerns on the condition of the buildings, it was

RESOLVED that:

1. Officers from Carmarthenshire County Council be invited to attend a future Recreation and Welfare Committee meeting to discuss the future of the buildings in more detail;
2. Enquiries be made with the Land Registry to confirm the registered 'Title of Land' of the buildings;
3. Quotations be sought for a full building survey condition report on both buildings;
4. Enquiries be made with Carmarthenshire County Council, over the status of the buildings, including general tenure and whether there were any covenants in place relating to the future management of the premises and furthermore, the likely guide price for the buildings if they end up on the open market.

**135. CREATE ME HAPPY
HEALTH AND WELLBEING DAY**

Members considered correspondence received from the Locality Community Resilience Coordinator, Carmarthenshire County Council informing she was currently in the process of organising and supporting a Health and Well Being Day hosted by Create Me Happy in the Pontyates Tenants Hall on Thursday, 21 September, 2017.

The Locality Community Resilience Coordinator was enquiring if the Council would be prepared to provide service transport for the day. The Health and Wellbeing Day would benefit the communities of Pontyates, Ponthenri, Five Roads and Carway.

Following discussion, it was

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RESOLVED that enquiries be made with the local ward Member for Glyn for possible transport assistance and also that separate enquiries be made as to whether the community transport minibus could be used for the purpose with a volunteer driver then being sourced to drive the vehicle with the Council offering potential support through its time credits scheme.

136. 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.

**137. FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORTS
(1) FIVE ROADS COMMUNITY HALL
(2) SWISS VALLEY COMMUNITY HALL**

Members were circulated with a Statement of Accounts received from the above Management Committees.

RESOLVED that the annual grant of £400 be made to Five Roads Community Hall for the year ending 31 March, 2017 and Swiss Valley for the year ending 31 May, 2017.

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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 September, 2017, adopted by the Council.