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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 227 – 235

At a **COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 11 October, 2016, at 6.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr. S. M. Donoghue (Chairman)

Cllrs.

D. M. Cundy	M. L. Evans
M. V. Davies	R. E. Evans
S. L. Davies	J. S. Phillips
T. Devichand	A. J. Rogers
H. J. Evans	W. V. Thomas

Absent: T. Bowen, L. J. Butler, S. M. Caiach, and A. G. Morgan.

227. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. F. Akhtar, L. A. Beer, T. J. Jones, S. N. Lewis, C. A. Rees and G. H. Wooldridge.

228. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

229. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED that the following Minutes (copies of which had been previously circulated to Members) be confirmed and signed as a true record of proceedings:

Council	13 September, 2016
Planning and Liaison Committee	19 September, 2016
Recreation and Welfare Committee	20 September, 2016
Policy and Resources Committee	21 September, 2016
Finance and General Purposes Committee	28 September, 2016
Planning and Liaison Committee	10 October, 2016

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**230. MATTERS ARISING
(1) TRADING STANDARDS**

Further to Minute No. 175, Members remarked they thoroughly enjoyed the presentation from the Trading Standards Officers the content of which was very well received.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

**(2) DYFED – POWYS POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
POLICE AND CRIME PLAN CONSULTATION**

Further to Minute No. 180, the Clerk informed Members that a letter had been sent to the Police and Crime Commissioner inviting him to attend a future Council meeting to discuss the matters raised by Members but to date no response had been received.

RESOLVED that a reminder letter be sent to the Police and Crime Commissioner inviting him to attend a future Council meeting.

(3) RAINSCAPE UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2016

Further to Minute No. 187, Members enquired about the meeting to be arranged with representatives from Carmarthenshire County Council and Natural Resources Wales where they would be invited to attend a future Planning and Liaison Committee meeting.

The Clerk informed Members that contact had been made with both parties but a mutual meeting date had yet to be agreed.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

(4) ASSET TRANSFER – MAINTENANCE GRANT

Further to Minute No. 198, the Clerk informed Members that a report on asset transfers would be presented to Members at the next Recreation and Welfare Committee and Policy and Resources Committee meetings scheduled for next week.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

231. COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SURVEY

Members considered correspondence from Eluned Morgan, Assembly Member, National Assembly for Wales.

Over the next five years, Ms Morgan was seeking to build strong links across the region, listening and engaging with communities that she represented in the National Assembly for Wales. Ms Morgan was interested to hear the views of public sector bodies and members of the public to enable her to identify key concerns and develop plans to enhance the economy.

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Following discussion, Members identified the following issues and concerns: the impact of the devolution of services and community asset transfers on the Council; the national framework changes to the apprenticeship programmes and traineeships and the impact on the training department; the loss of local Post Office branches; insufficient social housing stock; the streamlining and scaling down of local bus services and it was

RESOLVED that:

1. The Clerk responds to the Community and Economic Development survey highlighting the issues and concerns.
2. Members also be encouraged to reply individually to the survey.
3. The survey be forwarded to community halls and other local organisations for information.

232. MINOR AUTHORITY REPRESENTATION ON SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY – CARWE GWYNFRYN PONTHENRI FEDERATION

Members considered correspondence from the Director, Department for Education and Children, Carmarthenshire County Council informing of a vacancy for one Minor Authority representative on the Governing Body of Carwe, Gwynfryn Ponthenri Federation school.

RESOLVED that Cllr. C. A. Rees be nominated as this Authority's representative on the Governing Body of Carwe Gwynfryn Ponthenri Federation School.

233. LLANELLI JOINT BURIAL AUTHORITY

Members received the following Minutes of a meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Authority held on 13 July, 2016:

“At the Meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Authority held at Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Wednesday, 13 July 2016 at 4:00 pm.

Present: Cllr. R. E. Evans (Chairman)

Cllrs.

M. J. P. Burns	M. V. Davies
L. J. Butler	S. M. Donoghue

16. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. P. J. Edmunds, J. S. Phillips, R. F. Price, C. J. Reed MBE and L. J. Stedman.

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17. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

18. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED that the following minutes (copies of which had been previously circulated) be confirmed and signed as a true record of proceedings.

Annual Meeting - 8 June 2016

19. MATTERS ARISING
BURIAL SERVICE COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES WITH
NEIGHBOURING AUTHORITIES

Further to Minute No. 14, the Secretary informed Members that no formal response had been received from Pembrey and Burry Port Town Council.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

20. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORTS

RESOLVED that the income and expenditure report for May 2016 and the provisional report for June 2016 be noted.

21. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Consideration was given to the schedule of payments for June 2016, which revealed expenditure for the month, amounted to £26,668.08.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

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

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the following matters 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.

23. COLUMBARIA VAULT AND CHAPEL PLAQUE FEES

Members considered the Cemetery Manager's report in respect of the repurchase of Exclusive Rights of Burial for the Columbaria Vaults after the initial 30 year period had expired and the pricing structure for the new Chapel Memorial Plaques. After a lengthy discussion, it was

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RESOLVED that the report be accepted and the following charges be added to the Burial Authority’s Scale of Fees.

- 1. Cremated Remains Vault – Repurchase of 30 year Exclusive Rights of Burial - £325.00.
- 2. Chapel Memorial Plaque - £50.
- 3. Chapel Memorial Plaque Reservation Fee - £20 and £30 inscription charge at time of use

Arising out of the discussion on general cemetery services it was

RESOLVED that the Cemetery Manager write to the Chief Executive of Hywel Dda University Health Board to invite a health board representative to attend a future meeting to discuss baby and child burials in the Llanelli catchment area and the limited choices available to Llanelli families.

24. STAFFING MATTER

Consideration was given to the Secretary’s report on a staffing matter and it was

RESOLVED that the report be accepted.

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The meeting concluded at 5.00 pm”
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RESOLVED that the Minutes be noted.

234. MATTERS REPORTED

RESOLVED that the schedule of matters reported be noted.

235. LETTER OF APPRECIATION

RESOLVED that the letter of appreciation for the Council’s assistance received from the following, be noted with pleasure:

- (1) Ysgol Gymraeg Brynsierfel

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The Meeting concluded at 6.20 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 November, 2016, adopted by the Council.