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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 465 – 471

At a **COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 12 April, 2016, at 6.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr. M. V. Davies (Chairman)

Cllrs.

L. A. Beer	H. J. Evans
D. M. Cundy	A. G. Morgan
T. Devichand	J. S. Phillips
S. M. Donoghue	A. J. Rogers
W. V. Thomas	

Absent: L. J. Butler and S. M. Caiach

465. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. F. Akhtar, T. Bowen, S. L. Davies, M. L. Evans, R. E. Evans, T. J. Jones, S. N. Lewis, C. A. Rees and G. H. Wooldridge.

466. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

467. 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	8 March, 2016
Planning and Liaison Committee	14 March, 2016
Recreation and Welfare Committee	15 March, 2016
Policy and Resources Committee	16 March, 2016
Finance and General Purposes Committee	30 March, 2016

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**468. MATTERS ARISING
(1) FELINFOEL COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE**

Further to Minute No. 446, the Deputy Clerk (Administration) in reply to a question about information regarding progress at the centre, informed Members that a meeting had taken place today with the electrician and the Technical Services Officer. Further information would be provided to Members once available.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

(2) VEHICLE – TRAINING DEPARTMENT

Further to Minute No. 457, the Clerk informed Members that a mini bus had been purchased and a further report would be presented to the Policy and Resources Committee to be held on 20 April, 2016.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

**469. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ETHICAL FRAMEWORK
MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS**

Members received correspondence from the Local Government Democracy Division, Welsh Government.

Following a technical consultation undertaken between 30 November, 2015 and 10 January, 2016, the Minister for Public Services signed the following statutory instruments on 27 January, 2016:

- The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2016 (No. 2016/84); and
- The Local Government (Standards Committees, Investigations, Dispensations and Referral) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (No. 2016/85).

The instruments came into force on 1 April, 2016, and amended existing subordinate legislation made under Part III of the Local Government Act 2000, consequential upon provisions in the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013 (“the 2013 Act”). They also implemented other proposals to improve the operations of the local government ethical standards framework in Wales.

Members were informed The Model Code of Conduct Order 2016 amended the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) Order 2008 and the Council was now required to adopt a revised code of conduct by no later than 26 July, 2016. The text of the amended Model Code of Conduct was enclosed with the correspondence and it was

RESOLVED that:

1. The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2016 (No. 2016/84) shall be adopted with immediate effect.

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2. The text of the amended Model Code of Conduct shall be circulated for information to all Members under cover of a separate letter.
3. The other items of business annotated in the correspondence be noted.

470. MATTERS REPORTED

RESOLVED that the schedule of matters reported be noted.

471. LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

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

- (1) Eglwys Libanus;
- (2) Holy Trinity Church Felinfoel;
- (3) Llanelli Woodturning Club;
- (4) Pwll Action Committee;
- (5) Swiss Valley Community & Residents Association.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.10 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 10 May, 2016, adopted by the Council.