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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 485 – 491

At a Meeting of the **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Wednesday, 20 April, 2016 at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllrs

D. M. Cundy
M. V. Davies
M. L. Evans
S. L. Davies
J. S. Phillips
T. Devichand
C. A. Rees

Absent: L. J. Butler

485. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE

RESOLVED that Cllr. H. J. Evans be appointed Chairman pro tempore.

486. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. F. Akhtar, S. M. Donoghue, T. J. Jones, A. G. Morgan (Cllr. M. L. Evans deputising) and A. J. Rogers (Cllr. S. L. Davies deputising).

487. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

488. 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.

489. VEHICLE – TRAINING DEPARTMENT

Further to Minute No. 457, Members considered the report of the Deputy Clerk (Training) informing Members of the purchase of a mini bus for delivering the Prince's Trust Programme.

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Quotations had been obtained from three suppliers for the provision of a mini-bus. The lowest quotation received from Day's Ex Fleet Department, Garngoch at a price of £12,995 which included one year's road tax was accepted following consultation with the Chairman of Committee and the Leader of Council.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

490. WORK BASED LEARNING CONTRACT FOR SKILLS FOR EMPLOYMENT WALES

Members considered the report of the Deputy Clerk (Administration) informing of recent actions of the Welsh Government in awarding the Skills for Employment (Work Ready Programme) element of the Work Based Learning Programme 2015-19.

A letter issued by the Welsh Government on 12 April, 2016, informed that it had decided not to award the contract for the delivery of the Skills for Employment Wales. Welsh Government had since confirmed by email that the Work Ready Programme would not be extended beyond the agreed rundown arrangement of September 2016.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was

RESOLVED that:

- 1. A meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee be convened as soon as practicable once further information is released from the Welsh Government about the news in order to then assess costs and resourcing implications for the Training Department.
- 2. Proposals to reorganise the staff hierarchy in the Training Department shall be presented to the same meeting focusing on safeguarding the future sustainability of the other training programmes delivered by the department.

During discussion of the above, Cllr. C. A. Rees withdrew from the meeting.

491. STAFFING MATTERS

Members considered the report of the Deputy Clerk (Administration) informing of staffing matters.

RESOLVED that the report referenced 04:2016 be accepted.
The meeting concluded at 5.35 p.m.

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.