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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 64 – 66

At a **SPECIAL COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Thursday, 21 May, 2015, at 6.00 p.m.

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

Cllrs.

F. Akhtar	H. J. Evans
L. A. Beer	M. L. Evans
S. M. Caiach	S. N. Lewis
S. L. Davies	J. S. Phillips
S. M. Donoghue	A. J. Rogers

64. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. T. Bowen, L. J. Butler, D. M. Cundy, T. Devichand, R. E. Evans, T. J. Jones, A. G. Morgan, C. A. Rees, W. V. Thomas and G. H. Wooldridge.

65. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

66. WHOLE PLACE PLAN

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Mr Chris Ashman, Associate, The Means, to discuss and consider the draft version of the Whole Place Plan.

Mr Ashman thanked Members for their support in attending the working group meetings, the various community workshops and the help provided thus far in producing the draft plan.

Members were informed The Well Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 would place a duty on publicly funded bodies to demonstrate how they would contribute to a set of national well-being goals through development of Local Well Being Plans.

The Llanelli Rural Council Whole Place Plan was designed to identify local actions to improve well-being, bringing together an integrated view of the challenges facing the Llanelli area and actions to address them.

The main focus of the plan was to:

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- Set out the Llanelli Rural area's contribution to the national goals for securing sustainable development.
- Help inform the development and implementation of the Local Well Being Plan for Carmarthenshire.
- Provide a focus for Llanelli Rural Council and other partners to target service delivery at locally identified priorities.
- Support the monitoring and delivery of the Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan – helping to ensure new development was supported by the necessary infrastructure, including helping to identify requirements for development contributions (including CIL, S106 and on site design).
- Assist in helping to inform planning decisions.
- Help inform the Area statement proposed by the Environment Bill.
- Inform local partnership working - ensuring an agreed set of local priorities, coordinating actions and informed difficult decisions on where future resources should be targeted.
- Assist with external funding bids - providing evidence of local investment needs and priorities.
- Provide transparency to local communities - identifying where and how local investment was being targeted.
- Provide an area based resource of local information and evidence - designed to help inform and shape future decisions by all concerned with addressing important local issues

Mr Ashman then explained how the plan had been developed. It had been developed following a detailed analysis of existing documents and data covering the Llanelli Rural Council area and extensive consultations with local communities and Members via a series of workshops being held in the community. This was also supplemented with a street based community survey held across the wards and an online survey designed to identify local priorities for change. A series of interviews had also been undertaken with larger local employers located across the area.

Mr Ashman then explained the proposed interventions described in the plan which were designed to provide measurable responses to the key issues identified by the community and the data collated. The key interventions and the actions taken by others to help deliver the vision were set out in the Well Being goal response, which were as follows:

- a prosperous place
- a resilient place
- a healthy place
- a more equal place
- a cohesive place
- a vibrant cultures and thriving Welsh Language
- our place in the world

A lengthy discussion followed where Members highlighted key issues for their areas and prioritised the interventions referred to in the plan.

At various points of the discussion Cllr(s) S. M. Caiach, S. L. Davies, J. S. Phillips and A. J. Rogers left the meeting.

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RESOLVED that the draft Whole Place Plan be amended to reflect Members' views and opinions about the interventions and that it be approved for further external consultation with the various stakeholders that had already contributed to its production.

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The Meeting concluded at 7.45 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 9 June, 2015, adopted by the Council.