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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 117 – 126

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, 21 July, 2015, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. A. G. Morgan (Chairman)

Cllrs.

M. V. Davies H. J. Evans
S. L. Davies M. L. Evans
J. S. Phillips

Absent: L. A. Beer

117. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. T. Bowen, S. M. Donoghue, R. E. Evans, S. N. Lewis (Cllr. H. J. Evans deputising), C. A. Rees and G. H. Wooldridge.

118. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

119. PROGRESS REPORT

RESOLVED that the report of the Technical Services Officer on work undertaken be noted.

120. FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME

Further to Minute No. 84, Members considered the report of the Technical Services Officer setting out details of the Council's ten identified priority routes which were to be given to Carmarthenshire County Council for consideration.

Due to the overhauling of the management of footpath maintenance, Carmarthenshire County Council had previously asked the Rural Council to identify ten priority routes for cutting. The footpaths would be measured and payment made would be per kilometre.

Ten paths had been proposed which the Council's workforce already maintained on a two cut per year cycle. Under proposals this would need to increase to three cuts per year which

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could mean that maintenance to the heavily used urban footpaths in the Council wards might become a secondary priority going forward.

RESOLVED that:

1. The report be accepted and the ten priority footpaths identified in the report be sent to Carmarthenshire County Council for consideration.
2. Further details of the County Council's grant offer shall be reported to a future committee meeting for consideration once known.

Cllr. S. L. Davies voted against the proposal because she felt Members should have been consulted on the list of footpaths put forward for selection.

121. THE ENABLING STATE CHALLENGE FOR THE WHOLE PLACE PLAN

Members received the report of the Community Development Officer informing of the application submitted by the Council on 26 June, 2015, to the Enabling State Challenge for consideration of the Whole Place Plan. The application was put together to support the anticipated work programme identified in the plan. Applications had to be submitted in the form of a three minute video presentation.

The Community Development Officer informed Members that despite the application being unsuccessful, in this case it had brought about a number of positive developments in support of the plan itself and it was

RESOLVED that:

1. The report be noted.
2. Members' thanks to the Community Development Officer be recorded for his efforts in submitting the grant application to the Carnegie UK Trust and in doing so raising the Council's public profile.
3. The Community Development Officer shall continue to identify other potential external grant sources to help support the list of interventions set out under the draft Whole Place Plan.
4. The video presentation shall be uploaded to the Council's website to further promote the plan.

122. WASTE AMNESTY FELINFOEL

Members considered email correspondence from the Community Recycling Advisor, Carmarthenshire County Council requesting permission to hold a waste amnesty event at Felinfoel Recreation Ground.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the Community Recycling Advisor be given in principle permission to hold a waste amnesty event at Felinfoel Recreation Ground provided that a suitable location other than the formal car park area can be identified for the siting of the skip containers and

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that assurance also be provided that the grounds shall be checked and cleared after the event if rubbish continues to be deposited when the skips are removed from the grounds.

123. LUNCHEON CLUBS

Members received email correspondence from the Hotel Services Co-ordinator, Hywel Dda NHS Trust notifying of the closure of the catering facility at Bryntirion kitchen resulting in meals not being available for the Council's luncheon club service.

Following discussion whereby Members were disappointed that the service from Bryntirion kitchen was discontinuing, it was

RESOLVED that:

1. A letter be sent to the Hotel Services Co-ordinator, Hywel Dda NHS Trust seeking formal confirmation that the service will be discontinuing and asking for a definite date for the closure of the catering service.
2. Officers investigate whether there are alternative local meal suppliers in order to assess the Council's options going forward.

**124. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
TRALLWM AFC**

Members considered an application for financial assistance from Trallwm AFC and it was

RESOLVED that a grant of £498.06 be awarded to Trallwm AFC with the remaining balance being paid upon receipts being received.

125. 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.

**126. FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORTS
SWISS VALLEY COMMUNITY HALL**

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

RESOLVED that the annual grant of £400 be made to Swiss Valley Community Hall for the year ending 31 May, 2015.

Cllr. S. L. Davies left the meeting midway through discussion of the above item but supported the grant being allocated.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.20 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 September, 2015, adopted by the Council.