

**8 March, 2011.**

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 467 – 472**

At a **COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 8 March, 2011, at 6.00 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. S. L. Davies (Chairman)

**Cllrs.**

T. D. Bowen	T. Rh. Ifan
L. J. Butler	M. J. Lewis
D. J. Davies	S. N. Lewis
M. L. Davies	A. G. Morgan
M. V. Davies	C. A. Rees
T. Devichand	B. C. M. Reynolds
S. M. Donoghue	A. C. Thomas
H. J. Evans	G. H. Wooldridge

**467. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. M. L. Evans, T. J. Jones and V. R. Thomas.

**468. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**469. 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 February, 2011
Special Meeting of Policy and Resources Committee (subject to Minute No. 429 being amended to include Cllr. S. M. Donoghue as deputising for Cllr. V. R. Thomas).	9 February, 2011
Special Meeting Finance and General Purposes Committee	9 February, 2011
Recreation and Welfare Committee	15 February, 2011
Policy and Resources Committee	16 February, 2011
Special Council	17 February, 2011
Finance and General Purposes Committee	23 February, 2011
Planning and Liaison Committee	28 February, 2011

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**470. MATTERS REPORTED**

**RESOLVED** that the schedule of matters reported be noted.

**471. LLANELLI JOINT BURIAL AUTHORITY**

Members received the following Minutes of meetings of the Llanelli Joint Burial Authority held on 12 and 31 January, 2011:-

“At the Meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Authority held at Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Wednesday, 12 January 2011 at 4:00 pm.

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

Cllrs.

T. D Bowen  
M. J. P. Burns  
W. J. Lemon

C. C. Lucas  
C. A. Rees  
K. D. Rees

J. Williams

**69. CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman referred to the recent demise of Miss. C. E. Richards (former Town Mayor and Chairman of Llanelli Joint Burial Authority) and commented upon her contribution and long-standing service to both the Llanelli Town Council and the Llanelli Joint Burial Authority and as a mark of respect Members and Officers stood in silent tribute.

The Chairman also wished Officers and Members a happy New Year.

**70. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. S. N. Lewis.

**71. MEMBERS’ DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**72. 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.

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73. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORTS

RESOLVED that the income and expenditure report for November 2010 and the provisional report for December 2010 be noted.

74. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Consideration was given to the schedule of payments for December 2010, which revealed expenditure for the month, amounted to £35,065.11

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

75. GREEN FLAG AWARD

Further to Minute No. 83 (13 January 2010) the Cemetery Manager presented Members with a draft management plan for consideration. It was intended to submit the management plan to support the Authority's application for the Green Flag award, the deadline for which was 31 January 2011. Following discussion it was

RESOLVED that

- (1) the content of the draft management plan be accepted and used as a working document for meeting future aspirations where possible, however any cemetery enhancement proposals shall be reported to committee for formal consideration in the first instance; and
- (2) the Secretary be granted plenary powers to finalise the draft management plan with the Cemetery Manager and to submit the Authority's application for the award by 31 January 2011 deadline.

76. SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING

The Secretary informed Members that the special budget meeting would be held on Monday 31 January 2011, at 4.00pm in the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

77. 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.

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78. DEDICATION SERVICE

The Cemetery Manager informed Members about arrangements for the planned dedication service to be held in the Cemetery Chapel on 16 February 2011 in memory of Lance Corporal David Llewellyn Dennis and it was

RESOLVED that the arrangements be confirmed and noted.

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The meeting concluded at 4:30 pm

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At a Special Meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Authority held at Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Monday, 31 January, 2011 at 4:00 pm.

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

Cllrs.

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| T. D. Bowen    | W. J. Lemon |
| M. J. P. Burns | C. C. Lucas |
| S. M. Donoghue | K. D Rees   |
| J. Williams    |             |

79. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. C. A. Rees.

80. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

81. 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.

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82. SCALE OF FEES

(1) Exclusive Rights of Burial Fees

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Conventional grave - 30 year period	593.00
Conventional grave - 50 year period	1184.00
Cremated Remains - 30 year period	159.00
Cremated Remains - 50 year period	318.00
Cremated Remain Vault – 30 year period	878.00

(2) Cemetery Management Fees

The following charges would be levied where  
Exclusive Rights of Burial was not applicable:

Cemetery management fee for a conventional grave	245.00
Cemetery management fee for a cremated remains plot	124.00

(3) Interment Charges

Grave - Depth for 2	362.00
Grave - Depth for 3	568.00
Interment in existing grave	362.00
Interment of cremated remains	119.00
Weekend Surcharge Interment Grave	328.00
Weekend Surcharge Interment Cremated Remains	131.00

(4) Other Charges

Hire of Chapel (including speaker)	40.00
Still Birth	15.00
Testing of Grave	90.00
Exhumation of Ashes	178.00
Exhumation of body	(Actual & necessary costs)
New memorial - headstone	103.00
New memorial - kerbset	124.00
Additional names cut on headstones	52.00
Memorials within Garden of Remembrance	72.00
Bricked Grave (Admin fee)	327.00
Family History Search (per individual name)	10.00

RESOLVED that the above fees be approved from 1 April 2011.

83. EXHUMATION PAYMENTS

Further to Minute No. 141 (8 December 2004), Members reviewed the special payment made to the cemetery groundsmen when asked to participate in exhumations and it was

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**RESOLVED** that the special payment be increased to £34.99 for exhumation of ashes and £95.23 for a full exhumation.

84. ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

The Secretary presented Members with a detailed report in respect of the Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 2011 / 2012, and after a short discussion it was

**RESOLVED** that a budget precept of £191,610 be set for the financial year 2011 / 2012, and that a contribution of £95,805 be requested from Llanelli Town and Rural Councils respectively.

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The Meeting concluded at 4:10 pm”

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**RESOLVED** that the Minutes be accepted.

**472. LETTERS OF APPRECIATION**

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

- (1) Swiss Valley Community & Residents Association;
- (2) Ty Bryngwyn Hospice Trust;
- (3) Ysgol Y Felin.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.03 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 12 April, 2011, adopted by the Council.