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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 462 – 468

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, 17 April, 2012, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. T. Rh. Ifan (Chairman)

Cllrs.

M. V. Davies A. G. Morgan
S. M. Donoghue B. C. M. Reynolds
H. J. Evans A. C. Thomas

462. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. M. L. Evans, S. N. Lewis, C. A. Rees and G. H. Wooldridge.

463. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. S. M. Donoghue declared a personal interest in Minute No. 464, as he was a Member of Saron Community Hall Management Committee.

464. PROGRESS REPORT

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

465. SARON COMMUNITY HALL

Cllr. S. M. Donoghue declared a personal interest as he was a Member of Saron Community Hall Management Committee.

Members received correspondence from the Treasurer, Saron Community Hall informing of the financial burden of water charges imposed on the hall which was contributed by the legionella control. The writer stated that the committee had worked diligently to ensure the hall was managed efficiently in all areas and called for the Council to make improvements to the hot and cold water system by replacing the boiler and to help resolve charges for excessive water consumption.

Members were informed that the Technical Services Officer had formally responded to the letter informing the Treasurer, Saron Community Hall that the legionella controls were

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introduced following a risk assessment of the hall in 2003 by the Council's Health and Safety Consultants.

Whilst the legionella risk at the hall was low, vulnerable groups used the hall, therefore a weekly flushing programme was carried out prior to the luncheon club taking place. The taps were run for no more than two minutes once a week to purge the pipework. The Council had implemented a rolling programme of improvements to hall water systems based on the level of risk. Saron hall would be assessed but given there had been no adjustments to the system since the 2003 risk assessment the same level of risk applied and hence the reason for continuing with the flushing regime.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the correspondence be noted and to await the prioritisation of Saron hall once works to Five Roads and Swiss Valley community halls has been completed.

Arising out of general discussion of the Council's interaction with its hall management committees, it was

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council's community hall management committees be contacted and asked to provide information as to when their last annual general meetings took place and also when this year's meetings were scheduled to take place so as to provide baseline information for Members to attend meetings on a regular basis going forward.

466. 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.

467. FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORTS

- (1) FIVE ROADS COMMUNITY HALL
- (2) PONTHENRI COMMUNITY HALL
- (3) SARON COMMUNITY HALL

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

RESOLVED that the annual grant of £300 be made to Five Roads Community Hall for the years ending 31 March, 2010 and 31 March 2011 respectively. Ponthenri Community Hall for the year ending 31 March, 2011 and Saron Community Hall for the year ending 31 December, 2011.

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468.	CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT
The Chairman	thanked Members and staff for their support during the year.
The Meeting of	concluded at 5.10 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 15 May, 2012, adopted by the Council.