

18 April, 2012.

LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 475 – 480

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, 18 April, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. S. M. Donoghue (Chairman)

Cllrs.

T. D. Bowen	T. Rh. Ifan
D. J. Davies	A. G. Morgan
M. L. Davies	C. A. Rees
M. V. Davies	B. C. M. Reynolds
H. J. Evans	A. C. Thomas

475. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. G. H. Wooldridge (Cllr. T. D. Bowen deputising).

476. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

477. DAY CARE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Members received a consultation document from the Assistant Locality Manager, Carmarthenshire County Council regarding the review of its 'Day Care Service'. The purpose of the review was to recognise the changing needs for older people in Carmarthenshire and to ensure services and facilities were fit for purpose going forward.

The Day Care Service was serviced managed by Social Services, NHS or voluntary or private bodies. People who were socially isolated could attend during the day to meet other people, have a meal and take part in activities. Service users needed to meet the threshold of being eligible for support by social care.

During discussion Members noted there was no mention of town and community councils being potentially included as partners. Members felt there were opportunities for partnership working with town and community councils such as this Council which provided luncheon club services for senior citizens.

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Members expressed reservations about the purpose behind the review and referred to the set of criteria listed under the Day Care Service Visits section of the consultation document. Members hoped the criteria would not be used to ultimately close any of the day centres if they were deemed not fit for purpose. Members were keen to safeguard all the day centres which were subject to the review.

RESOLVED that Members' views and comments be forwarded to the Assistant Locality Manager, Carmarthenshire County Council.

478. 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.

479. STAFFING MATTERS

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

RESOLVED that the report be accepted.

480. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The Chairman thanked Members and Staff for their support over the past year and wished Members all the best in the local elections. The Chairman specifically paid tribute to Cllrs. D. J. Davies and M. L. Davies who were not seeking re-election and to Cllrs. M. J. Lewis and V. R. Thomas who were standing down for health reasons.

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The meeting concluded at 5.15 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 15 May, 2012, adopted by the Council.