

29 September, 2011.

LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 208 – 211

At a Meeting of the **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PANEL** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Thursday, 29 September, 2011, at 4.30 p.m.

Present: Cllr. C. A. Rees (Chairman)

Cllrs.

M. L. Evans S. N. Lewis
T. Rh. Ifan A. G. Morgan
A. C. Thomas

208. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs S. M. Donoghue, M. J. Lewis and B. C. M. Reynolds.

209. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Member's declared an interest in the under-mentioned matters:-

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211(2)	S. N. Lewis	Personal and prejudicial – Member on the Dafen Cricket Club Committee
211(3)	S. N. Lewis	Personal and prejudicial – Member on the Dafen Forum Committee
211(7)	C. A. Rees	Personal interest – applicant was an acquaintance
211(2)	A. C. Thomas	Personal interest – family connection with the Captain of Dafen Cricket Club

210. CYLCH MEITHRIN

Cllr. C. A. Rees referred to the Council's policy of Ysgol Meithrin not being eligible for funding under the Community Development Fund (Minute No. 252(4) of the meeting of the Grants Panel held on 24 September, 2009, refers) and stated that the organisation was not funded by a statutory body.

A lengthy discussion thereupon ensued during which the objectives of the Community Development fund was discussed as well as the methodology of grant allocation to

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sustainable projects, frequency of Panel meeting dates and eligible catchment area/organisations.

Following which, it was

RESOLVED that Ysgol Meithrin and local groups supported by Communities First be eligible to apply for funding in the future.

It was

RECOMMENDED that the Policy and Resources Committee be requested to consider the following:-

1. that the Community Grants Panel meet and allocate grants annually from 1 April, 2012, and that the month of the meeting be determined;
2. the grants allocated should only be for projects which support community cohesion and sustainability.

211. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Cllr. S. N. Lewis declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item (2) and (3) as she served as a member of the Dafen Cricket Club Committee and the Dafen Forum Committee. Cllr. C. A. Rees declared a personal interest in item 7 as the applicant was an acquaintance. Cllr. A. C. Thomas declared a personal interest in item 2 as he had a family connection with the captain of Dafen Cricket Club.

Cllr. Lewis left the meeting prior to the respective grant applications being discussed.

Members having considered applications received under the above scheme, it was

RESOLVED as follows:-

- (1) Bryngwyn School PTA – application not supported;
- (2) Dafen Cricket Club – application not supported;
- (3) Dafen Forum – Christmas tree, installation of lights, leaflets and posters - £501.75;
- (4) Felinfoel Girls Friendly Society – application not supported;
- (5) Felinfoel Executive Committee – application not supported;
- (6) Felinfoel Family Centre – mobile ice rink and lights - £2800.00;
Cllr. Lewis voted against the grant being made.
- (7) Five Roads Heritage Society – DVDs, audio CDs and digital briefcase - £2380.00;
- (8) Llanelli Former Players Association – application not supported;
- (9) Llanelli Musical Players – application not supported;
- (10) Llanelli Ramblers – advertising costs - £264.00;
- (11) Llwynhendy DADS Group – tents, sensory equipment, play kits, gazebo - £1299.33.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.15 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 11 October, 2011, adopted by the Council.