

**11 May, 2010.**

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 1 – 10**

At the **ANNUAL MEETING** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 11 May, 2010, at 6.00 p.m.

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

**Cllrs.**

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

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. L. J. Butler, M. L. Davies, T. Devichand, M. L. Evans, V. R. Thomas and G. H. Wooldridge.

**2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**3. OPENING PRAYERS**

Reverend J. J. Morgan opened the proceedings with prayers.

**4. CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS**

The Chairman, Cllr. C. A. Rees having welcomed Members and guests to the meeting, referred to the past year as having been hectic but immensely enjoyable and reflected upon her term of office with pride and a sense of achievement.

Reference was made to the many engagements attended, including the opening of the racecourse at Ffos Las and the official re-opening of Trallwm Hall following extensive refurbishment. Cllr. Rees sadly reflected upon the demise of Lance Corporal D. Dennis, Light Dragoon Regiment, who was killed during his second tour in Afghanistan.

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Cllr. Rees referred to three playground facilities in Bynea, Five Roads and Ponthhenri, respectively, which had benefitted from Section 106 Agreements from private housing developments, to the service delivery of the Council's Training Department and the new capital scheme in Felinfoel Recreation Ground in partnership with Communities First Felinfoel.

Cllr. Rees informed that Cllr. T. J. Jones was to officially step down as Leader of the Council and, having conveyed her thanks to him for his past work and commitment, congratulated Cllr. A. G. Morgan upon his taking up of the role.

Reference was made to the fact that Mr. R. Leech was to leave the Council's employ and Cllr. Rees wished him well for the future.

Cllr. Rees thanked her Consort, Mr. D. Rees for his support during the past year and Cllr. S. L. Davies and Mr. P. Hunt Davies for their roles as Vice Chairman and Consort, to whom she extended her good wishes for the year ahead. Also, the Chairman and Lady, Carmarthenshire County Council, Llanelli Town Mayor and Consort, Civic Dignitaries of neighbouring Councils, Members and Staff.

**RESOLVED** that Cllr. Rees' remarks be noted.

## **5. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Cllr. C. A. Rees invited nominations for the Election of Chairman. It was moved by Cllr. H. J. Evans, seconded by Cllr. T. J. Jones, and was

**RESOLVED** that Cllr. S. L. Davies be and, is hereby, appointed as Chairman for the municipal year of 2010/2011.

The Past Chairman invested the Chairman and Consort, Mr. P. Hunt Davies with the Chains of Office.

## **6. CHAIRMAN'S ACCEPTANCE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OFFICE**

The Chairman having made her Declaration of Acceptance of Office, stated that, together with her Consort, Mr. P. Hunt Davies, she wished to maintain the high standards of previous Chairmen and represent the Council in a positive and professional manner.

Cllr. Davies conveyed her congratulations to the newly elected Mayor for Llanelli Town Council, Cllr. D. Thomas and to the incoming Chairman of Carmarthenshire County Council, Cllr. T. Devichand, stating the coincidence that Cllr. Devichand and herself were mother and daughter; and that she looked forward to working with all the Civic Dignitaries of neighbouring Councils.

Cllr. Davies thanked her guests for their support that evening.

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**7. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

It was moved by Cllr. B. C. M. Reynolds, seconded by Cllr. S. M. donoghue, and was

**RESOLVED** that Cllr. S. N. Lewis be and, is hereby, appointed as Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2010/2011.

The Chairman, Cllr. S. L. Davies invested the Vice-Chairman and Consort, Mrs. J. Roberts with the Chains of Office and wished them well during their term of office.

**8. VICE-CHAIRMAN’S ACCEPTANCE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OFFICE**

The Vice-Chairman having made her Declaration of Acceptance of Office, stated that it was a privilege to be able to accept such an honour and assured that both she and her Consort would fully support the Chairman in her year of Office.

**9. PRESENTATION OF MEDALLIONS**

The Chairman, Cllr. S. L. Davies presented Cllr. C. A. Rees with the Past Chairman’s medallion and Mr. D. Rees with the Past Chairman’s Consort’s medallion.

**10. ADJOURNMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING**

On the motion of Cllr. A. G. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. D. J. Davies, it was

**RESOLVED** that the Annual Meeting stand adjourned until Thursday, 13 May, 2010.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.20 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 June, 2010, adopted by the Council.