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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, 12 May, 2009, at 6.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr. M. L. Davies (Chairman)

Cllrs.

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

V. R. Thomas M. L. Evans

G. H. Wooldridge

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. S. M. Caiach.

2. **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

3. **OPENING PRAYERS**

Reverend D. Jones, B.D. opened the proceedings with prayers.

4. **CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS**

The Chairman, Cllr. M. L. Davies having welcomed Members and guests to the meeting, referred to the past year as having been interesting, a great joy and an honour to represent this Council.

Having referred to the recent demise of Sir David C. Mansel Lewis, KCVO, BA, JP., Cllr. Davies stated that Sir David had been a prominent figure in local affairs and that it would be difficult to imagine Llanelli without him.

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Cllr. Davies also referred to the many and varied memorable occasions amongst her civic duties.

Cllr. Davies thanked her Consort, Mr. R. Davies for his support during the past year, particularly as he was currently indisposed, and Cllr. S. M. Caiach for her role as Vice Chairman in the run-up to Christmas. Also, the Chairman and Lady, Carmarthenshire County Council, Llanelli Town Mayor and Mayoress and their Deputies, Kidwelly Town Mayoress and Consort and Members of this Council.

RESOLVED that Cllr. Davies' remarks be noted.

5. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr. M. L. Davies invited nominations for the Election of Chairman. It was moved by Cllr. T. J. Jones, seconded by Cllr. D. J. Davies, and was

RESOLVED that Cllr. C. A. Rees be and, is hereby, appointed as Chairman for the municipal year of 2009/2010.

The Past Chairman invested the Chairman and Consort, Mr. David Rees 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 she wished to maintain the high standards of previous Chairmen and that both she and her Consort were looking forward to the year ahead with enthusiasm.

Cllr. Rees conveyed her congratulations to the newly elected Mayor for Llanelli Town Council, Cllr. J. P. Jenkins and to the incoming Chairman of Carmarthenshire County Council, Cllr. W. T. Evans, and that she looked forward to working with all the Civic Dignitaries of neighbouring Councils.

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

7. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

It was moved by Cllr. S. N. Lewis, seconded by Cllr. L. J. Butler, and was

RESOLVED that Cllr. S. L. Davies be and, is hereby, appointed as Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2009/2010.

The Chairman, Cllr. C. A. Rees invested the Vice-Chairman and Consort, Mr. P. Hunt-Davies with the Chains of Office and wished them well during their term of office.

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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. C. A. Rees presented Cllr. M. L. Davies with the Past Chairman's medallion and Mr. R. Davies' Past Chairman's Consort's medallion.

10. ADJOURNMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING

On the motion of Cllr. A. G. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. T. Devichand, it was

RESOLVED that the Annual Meeting stand adjourned until Thursday, 14 May, 2009.

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 9 June, 2009, adopted by the Council.