

17 September, 2008.

LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 209 - 213

At a Meeting of the **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Conference Room, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Wednesday, 17 September, 2008, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. G. H. Wooldridge (Chairman)

Cllrs.

T. D. Bowen	M. V. Davies
D. J. Davies	H. J. Evans
M. L. Davies	T. Rh. Ifan
V. R. Thomas	

209. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. S. M. Caiach, T. Devichand, T. J. Jones and C. A. Rees.

210. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

211. BT'S PROPOSAL TO REMOVE PAYPHONE PROVISION WITHIN CARMARTHENSHIRE – FIRST NOTIFICATION REPORT

Pursuant to Minute No. 146, correspondence was received from the Head of Planning, Carmarthenshire County Council, which included a copy of the 'First Notification' report sent to the Secretary of State in accordance with section 50(1)(b) of the Communications Act 2003. The report contained objections received by the County Council up until 15 August, 2008, to proposals by British Telecommunications plc for the removal of payphones within Carmarthenshire.

Carmarthenshire County Council's consultation period was due to end on 22 August, 2008 and representations received between the date of the above report and 22 August would be entered into the 'Final Notification'.

The following objections to the removal of the telephone kiosk located at Yspitty Road, Bynea, had been submitted and the County Council, having agreed therewith, objected to the removal of said kiosk:-

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- There was no mobile phone signal in the area
- The retention of this PCB was important for emergencies
- BT's plan to remove 2 PCB's would leave only 2 payphones in the area effectively cutting the service by half; which would be unacceptable

Members having reiterated the above objections, it was

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

212. 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.

213. STAFFING MATTERS

Members were circulated with the report of the Deputy Clerk (Administration) informing of staffing matters.

RESOLVED that the report of the Deputy Clerk (Administration) be received and adopted.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.00 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 14 October, 2008, adopted by the Council.