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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 313 – 324

At a Meeting of the **RECREATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 17 November, 2009, at 4.45 p.m.

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

Cllrs.

L. J. Butler	S. L. Davies
S. M. Caiach	T. Rh. Ifan
D. J. Davies	S. N. Lewis
M. L. Davies	C. A. Rees
G. H. Wooldridge	

313. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. M. L. Evans (Cllr. T. Rh. Ifan deputising), T. J. Jones, M. J. Lewis (Cllr. S. M. Caiach deputising) and A. G. Morgan.

314. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Members declared an interest in the under-mentioned matters:-

Minute No.	Councillor	Interest
319	L. J. Butler	Trustee, Carmarthenshire Youth & Children's Association
320	M. L. Davies	Member, Pwll Recreation Ground Development Committee
316 & 319	G. H. Wooldridge	Member, Trallwm Forum Member, Carmarthenshire Youth & Children's Association

315. PROGRESS REPORT

RESOLVED that the report of the Technical Services Officer on work undertaken, be noted.

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316. TRALLWM COMMUNITY HALL

Cllr. G. H. Wooldridge declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the following matter as he was a Member of the Trallwm Forum and withdrew from the meeting before discussion commenced.

Further to Minute No. 276, the Technical Services Officer informed Members of the remaining work to be undertaken at Trallwm Community Hall.

The completion date had been formally adjusted and the Contractor was now reporting completion at the end of November. Members were informed that the project team continued to work closely with the main contractor and the project would be completed within budget.

The Deputy Clerk (Administration) reported to Members that the condition of the existing flooring in the main hall was a cause of concern. There was enough balance in the Council's budget to have the floor covering replaced.

RESOLVED that information be noted and the floor covering be replaced accordingly.

Cllr. G. H. Wooldridge returned to the meeting.

317. FELINFOEL CHANGING ROOMS AND RECREATION GROUND

Further to Minute No. 167, the Clerk informed Members of the latest developments concerning the delivery of the above scheme. The cost of the project was estimated at £754,000 (exclusive of VAT) and the Council held a earmarked reserve of £354,000.

The Council's application for borrowing approval had been approved by the Welsh Assembly Government (WAG). Under paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government Act 2003, WAG had approved the project to construct new changing facilities and community rooms at Felinfoel Recreation Ground.

Members were informed that funding bids had been prepared and were being lead by the Communities First Felinfoel Executive Sub Group. Communities First had submitted or intended to submit funding bids to the following funding bodies:

- Community Facilities and Activities Programme;
- Cwm Environmental Fund;
- Tudor Trust;
- Carmarthenshire County Council Community Fund; and
- Carmarthenshire County Council Collaborative Fund.

A project team meeting had been convened by the Consultant Architect with the project plans being finalised at that meeting and then submitted for approval. It was envisaged that the planning application would be determined by early January 2010.

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Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

318. LUNCHEON CLUBS

Pursuant to Minute No. 223, Members considered the report of the Deputy Clerk (Administration), which informed of the increase of patronage at some of the luncheon clubs.

It was also reported that the luncheon club service at Trallwm Community Hall would commence as soon as the hall was available and patrons secured for the service. The re-lance of the service would be advertised in the local community.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

319. CARMARTHENSHIRE YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S ASSOCIATION

Cllr. L. J. Butler declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the following matter as she was a Trustee of Carmarthenshire Youth and Children's Association and withdrew from the meeting before discussion commenced. Cllr. G. H. Wooldridge declared a personal interest in the following matter as he was a Member of Carmarthenshire Youth and Children's Association.

Further to Minute No. 280(1), Members considered additional information requested from the Association Manger, Carmarthenshire Youth and Children's Association for financial assistance.

Following discussion it was

RESOLVED that the 2008/09 and the 2009/10 annual grant award of £1,000 be released, however the request for further additional funding be declined on this occasion.

Cllr. L. J. Butler returned to the meeting.

320. PWLL RECREATION GROUND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Cllr. M. L. Davies declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the following matter as she was a Member of the Pwll Recreation Ground Development Committee and withdrew from the meeting before discussion commenced

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E-mailed correspondence was circulated to Members from Mr Peter Williams, the Chairman, Pwll Recreation Ground Development Committee. The writer requested whether the Council would agree to become involved in working with the Committee on an ongoing basis and to consider annually grant aiding the pavilion.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the application be deferred in order for further information to be obtained.

**321. INSTALLATION OF FOOTWAY LIGHTING -
NEW ROAD, DAFEN TO HALFWAY**

Further to a site visit with local Members and the Deputy Clerk (Administration), correspondence was received from the Public Lighting Officer, Carmarthenshire County Council, indicating the positions of new lighting columns at the above location. The cost to carry out the work would be £18,000 plus VAT at 2009/10 prices with all future energy and maintenance costs to be borne by the Rural Council.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the necessary budget be included within the Council's draft Estimates of Expenditure for 2010/11.

**322. PUBLIC FOOTPATHS 72/32, 72/29 AND
36/131 MORFA, LLANELLI**

Members considered a letter from the Head of Leisure and Sport, Carmarthenshire County Council, informing of a 'Notice of Certification of an Order' for the Public Path Diversion Order 2006, the effect of which would result in the permanent diversion of public footpaths 72/32, 72/29 and 36/131 Morfa, Llanelli.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

323. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT, 1960

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the following matter 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.

324. YMCA LLANELLI

Further to Minute No. 224, Members were circulated with the report of the Clerk.

A financial forecast report had been provided to Members detailing the change of circumstances due to the lack of income now being received at the YMCA building owing to the building's temporary closure. It was therefore requested that the Council's funding

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contribution be increased from £6,000 to £10,000 to cover the revenue commitments up to April 2010.

Following discussion it was

RESOLVED that the release of additional funds be authorised.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.05 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 December, 2009, adopted by the Council.