

17 July, 2007.

LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 128– 137

At a Meeting of the **RECREATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Conference Room, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 17 July, 2007, at 4.45 p.m.

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

Cllrs.

T. D. Bowen	S. L. Davies
D. J. Davies	M. B. Hughes
M. Davies	M. P. Jones
S. N. Lewis	

128. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. R. E. Evans, T. J. Jones and A. S. Peters.

129. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. G. H. Wooldridge declared an interest in Minute Nos. 136 and 137 as he was Chairman of the Bynea District Forum and also, as the Forum was working in partnership with the Green Network.

130. PROGRESS REPORT

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

131. PLAYGROUND INSPECTION REPORTS

RESOLVED that

- (1) Members' concerns regarding vandalism of equipment at Ponthenri play area be noted and that the matter be monitored;
- (2) the capital scheme for Tir Einon play area would address the deficiencies referred to in the inspection report; and that
- (3) the inspection reports be noted.

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**132. LAND AT GLOBE ROW, DAFEN –
DRAFT OPTION AGREEMENT AND DRAFT LEASE**

Pursuant to Minute No. 467 (20 March, 2007), Members were circulated with the above documents received from the Head of Administration and Law, Carmarthenshire County Council, which would, following this Council's decision, then be subject to approval by the Head of Corporate Property.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the terms of the documents be accepted in principle and that legal opinion be sought upon their completion.

**133. FELINFOEL RECREATION GROUND –
CARNIVAL**

A request to hold the annual Carnival on the recreation ground at Felinfoel was received from a Development Worker, Communities First Felinfoel. The event was to be held on Saturday, 4 August, 2007.

RESOLVED that the request be approved.

**134. TRALLWM COMMUNITY HALL –
NOTICE BOARD**

Members considered a report from the Technical Services Officer which informed of a request received from Communities First Llwynhendy for permission to erect a notice board at Trallwm Community Hall.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that permission be granted for the installation of a free standing aluminium notice board on the grassed area adjacent to the public footpath at Trallwm Hall, subject to planning consent being obtained by Communities First Llwynhendy.

135. DAFEN WELFARE CRUSADERS BOWLS CLUB

Consideration having been given to the above application for financial assistance, it was

RESOLVED that a contribution of £300 be made to Dafen Welfare Crusaders Bowls Club.

Cllr. G. H. Wooldridge declared an interest in the following items referred to in Minute Nos. 136 and 137, as he was Chairman of the Bynea District Forum, and also, as the Forum was working in partnership with the Green Network. Cllr. Wooldridge withdrew from the meeting before discussions began. Cllr. S. N. Lewis, the Vice Chairman, chaired the remainder of the proceedings.

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136. LAND AT BYNEA – BYNEA SQUARE PROJECT

Pursuant to Minute No. 494 (12 April, 2007), e-mail correspondence was received from the Chairman, Bynea District Forum, stating that the Forum had an opportunity to bid for funding which, if successful, would have to be utilised by December 2007 to construct the new village square.

Initially, the Forum sought a letter of support from this Authority confirming that it would grant a sub-lease of the land to the Forum for the construction of the new square and that the Council would also be responsible for the future maintenance costs.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that a letter of support be sent to the Chairman of the Bynea District Forum confirming:-

- (1) a sub-lease of at least 21 years for the land at Bynea Square would be granted to Bynea District Forum; and that
- (2) following completion, future maintenance costs of the village square project would be borne by the Council.

137. FOOTWAY LIGHTING – GENWEN QUARRY – PENYGRAIG, BYNEA

Correspondence was received from the Green Network Project Manager, Foothold, informing that the Green Network partnership sought to fund a scheme to transform the Genwen Quarry into a community recreational facility. As part of the scheme, the footpath between Penygraig and Bynea would be upgraded including new street lighting.

It was proposed to increase the number of lighting columns from the current six to eight, with underground cabling and control gear specified by Carmarthenshire County Council. As a delivery group, it was understood that the revenue cost of said lights would be this Council's responsibility, therefore, before proceeding with the scheme, confirmation was required that the Council would be prepared to adopt the new scheme and running costs. The installation costs would be borne by the enhancement project and no financial contribution from the Rural Council was sought.

The Technical Services Officer informed Members that the additional cost to the Council would be a total of £284.08 based on 2007/08 rates.

RESOLVED that the Council adopt the proposal, together with future energy and maintenance costs.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.10 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 September, 2007, adopted by the Council.