

20 June, 2007.

LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 100 - 106

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, 20 June, 2007, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. A. G. Morgan (Chairman)

Cllrs.

T. D. Bowen	T. Devichand
D. V. Darby	M. P. Jones
D. J. Davies	T. J. Jones
R. G. Thorne	

100. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. C. Edwards and M. L. Evans.

101. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. T. Devichand declared an interest in Minute No. 102 as she was a member of the Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority. Cllrs. T. D. Bowen and T. Devichand declared an interest in Minute No. 103 as they were Members of Carmarthenshire County Council.

**102. MID AND WEST WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY –
DRAFT RISK REDUCTION ACTION PLAN 2008/09
CONSULTATION**

Cllr. T. Devichand declared an interest in the following matter as she was a member of the Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority.

A draft Risk Reduction Action Plan consultation document for 2008/09 was received from the Chairman, Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority.

Following a discussion, during which Members referred to further information which may become available, it was

RESOLVED that discussion on the matter be deferred to the next meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee to be held on 18 July, 2007.

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**103. CARMARTHEN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN –
DRAFT DELIVERY AGREEMENT**

Cllrs. T. D. Bowen and T. Devichand declared an interest in the following item as they were Members of Carmarthenshire County Council and withdrew from the meeting before discussion.

A draft delivery agreement was received from the Forward Planning Manager, Carmarthenshire County Council, which represented the first stage in the preparation of the Local Development Plan for Carmarthenshire. The document described the Community Involvement Scheme and set out the Timetable for the preparation of the Plan which would eventually replace the Unitary Development Plan adopted in July 2006 and which was currently the statutory Plan for Carmarthenshire.

During discussion, Members expressed concern that community and town councils would be represented by only two members from urban and two members from rural areas on the Key Stakeholder Forum which could lead to a lack of representation. It was suggested that the number of community and town councils' members be increased and be based on areas and population bands.

RESOLVED that Members' comments and concerns be forwarded to the Forward Planning Manager, Carmarthenshire County Council.

Cllrs. Bowen and Devichand returned to the meeting.

104. 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.

105. TRAVEL EXPENSES – MEMBERS

Members were presented with a report of the Deputy Clerk (Administration) regarding the payment of car travel allowances to Members.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED as follows:-

- (1) Members travelling outside the Council's area/town centre to the same conference/training course/meeting, etc. should travel together and use their vehicles on a rotation basis with one claim for travelling expenses being made;
- (2) If Members chose to travel separately, only one Member would be entitled to travel expenses as per the rota basis.

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106. STAFFING MATTERS

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

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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 10 July, 2007, adopted by the Council.