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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 331 – 337

At a Meeting of the **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Wednesday, 20 December, 2017, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. S. M. Donoghue (Vice Chairman in the (Chair))

Cllrs.

T. Devichand	A. G. Morgan
P. M. Edwards	A. J. Rogers
S. N. Lewis	W. V. Thomas

331. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. F. Akhtar, H. J. Evans, J. S. Phillips, C. A. Rees, E. Simmons (Cllr. S. N. Lewis deputising) and I. G. Wooldridge.

332. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

333. A MAJOR TRAUMA NETWORK FOR SOUTH AND WEST WALES AND SOUTH POWYS

Members received a consultation document from the Director, NHS Wales Health Collaborative.

The consultation document set out the proposals for developing a major trauma network for South and West Wales and South Powys. The NHS Wales Health Collaborative had been working with doctors, nurses and independent experts to develop proposals for a new major trauma network across South Wales.

The NHS Wales Health Collaborative would like to develop a service that would give the public an increased chance of survival and better recovery and quality of life if someone suffered a major trauma anywhere in South West Wales and South Powys.

After looking at the evidence the panel proposed that a major trauma centre should be created at the University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff. Morriston Hospital would become a large trauma unit and would have a lead role for the major trauma network.

During discussion, Members felt that the major trauma centre should be based in Morriston Hospital, Swansea and not based at the University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff. It was felt this

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would serve as a more equidistant point to serve the population base. The major trauma centre for South West England was based in Bristol and Members felt the Cardiff catchment area was close enough to this major trauma centre. Concerns were raised regarding the distance people would have to travel from West Wales if Cardiff was selected as the major trauma centre and the time it might take to transport patients from rural parts of South West Wales and it was

RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to respond to the consultation document highlighting Members' views.

**334. SEASON TICKET
PARC Y SCARLETS**

Further to Minute No. 103, the Deputy Clerk informed Members that no response had been received from Parc Y Scarlets in reply to her emails or telephone messages.

Following discussion, Members conveyed their disappointment, it was

RESOLVED that the information be noted and to await further developments following a further letter to be sent to the rugby club.

335. 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.

336. STAFFING MATTERS

Members considered the report of the Deputy Clerk informing of staffing matters.

RESOLVED that the report referenced 12:2017 be accepted.

During discussion of the above, Cllr. A. G. Morgan left the meeting.

337. SEASONAL GREETINGS

The Chairman wished Members and Staff a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous and Healthy New Year.

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The meeting concluded at 6.00 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 9 January, 2018, adopted by the Council.