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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 1 – 9

At the **ANNUAL MEETING** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 8 May, 2018, at 6.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr. H. J. Evans (Chairman)

Cllrs.

S. M. Caiach
M. V. Davies
A. G. Morgan
S. L. Davies
J. S. Phillips
T. Devichand
C. A. Rees
T. M. Donoghue
P. M Edwards
E. Simmons

W. V. Thomas

Absent: F. Akhtar

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. S. M. Donoghue, J. P. Hart, S. N. Lewis, R. L. Najmi, J. S. Randall, and I. G. Wooldridge.

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

The Chairman, Cllr. H. J. Evans welcomed Members and guests to the meeting and reflected on the past year. Cllr. Evans was very proud of being the Council's Chairman and it had been an honour and privilege to have performed the role.

Cllr. Evans reflecting upon the many events he had participated in during the year stated he had attended 190 engagements, it had been very busy but a memorable year.

Cllr. Evans referred to the official opening of the Wales Air Ambulance Dafen base where he met HRH The Prince of Wales. There had been many equally memorable events he had attended with his wife and Consort Sylvia as well as hosting a number of charitable organisations at the Council offices.

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Cllr. Evans then referred to the two charity fundraising events he had organised in support of Wales Air Ambulance and Holy Trinity Church Felinfoel. The events had raised £1,651. Cllr. Evans then thanked Cllr. S. M. Caiach for serving in her capacity as Vice Chairman and for supporting him so well during the year. Furthermore, he extended thanks to the Chairman and Consort, Carmarthenshire County Council, Llanelli Town Mayor and Mayoress and to all other civic dignitaries who he had worked with during the civic year.

In closing Cllr. Evans paid tribute to the valued support provided to him throughout the year by the Council's staff and then wished the Chairman Elect, Cllr. S. M. Caiach and her Consort Mrs Joyce Walters every success for the year ahead and it was

RESOLVED that Cllr. Evans' remarks be noted.

4. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr. H. J. Evans invited nominations for the election of Chairman. It was moved by Cllr. M. V. Davies, seconded by Cllr. T. M. Donoghue, and was

RESOLVED that Cllr. S. M. Caiach be and, is hereby, appointed as Chairman for the municipal year 2018/2019.

The Past Chairman invested the Chairman and Consort, Mrs J Walters with the Chains of Office.

5. CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chairman having made her Declaration of Acceptance of Office stated that she wished to maintain the high standards of previous Chairmen and would represent the Council in a positive and professional manner and both she and her Consort were looking forward to the year ahead.

Cllr. Caiach conveyed her congratulations to the newly elected Mayor for Llanelli Town Council, Cllr. D. Ll. Darkin and to the incoming Chairman of Carmarthenshire County Council and she looked forward to working with all the civic dignitaries of neighbouring Councils.

Cllr. Caiach thanked her guests for their support during the evening.

6. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

It was moved by Cllr. A. J. Rogers, seconded by Cllr. P. M. Edwards, and was

RESOLVED that Cllr. S. L. Davies be and, is hereby, appointed as Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2018/2019.

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The Chairman, Cllr. S. M. Caiach invested the Vice-Chairman and Consort, Mr P Hunt Davies with the Chains of Office and wished them well during their term of office.

7. VICE-CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Vice-Chairman having made her Declaration of Acceptance of Office stated that it was a privilege to be able to accept such an honour and assured that both she and her Consort would fully support the Chairman during her year of Office.

8. PRESENTATION OF MEDALLIONS AND BOUQUETS

Cllr. S. M. Caiach presented Cllr. H. J. Evans with the Past Chairman's medallion and Mrs S. Evans with the Past Chairman's Consort's medallion and a bouquet.

9. ADJOURNMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING

On the motion of Cllr. T. Devichand, seconded by Cllr. W. V. Thomas it was

RESOLVED that the Annual Meeting stand adjourned until Thursday, 10 May, 2018 at 6.00 pm.

The Meeting concluded at 6.30 p.m.

The afore-mentioned Minutes were declared to be a true record of the proceedings and signed by the Chairman presiding thereat and were, on 12 June, 2018, adopted by the Council.