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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 198 – 204

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Wednesday, 26 September, 2018 at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. W. V. Thomas (Chairman)

Cllrs.

S. L. Davies	S. M. Donoghue
T. Devichand	J. S. Phillips

Absent: F. Akhtar, R. L. Najmi

198. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. S. M. Caiach, T. J. Jones, S. N. Lewis and J. S. Randall.

199. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. S. M. Donoghue declared a personal interest in Minute No. 204(7), as he was the Council's representative on that committee.

200. INTERNAL AUDIT – STRATEGIC PLAN

Members considered a revised strategic plan received from Auditing Solutions informing of the hours that would be spent when combining the Council's three core work areas for auditing procedures.

The plan identified a number of financial elements and arrangements to test the Council's overall financial framework and control systems. This was brokendown into a number of subject areas spread over a three year programme from 2017-18 through to 2019-20 giving a total number of 42 hours or the equivalent of six days of audit testing per year and a total of 18 days over the life of the plan.

Following examination and discussion of the areas to be tested, it was

RESOLVED that the plan be accepted.

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201. FINANCIAL REPORTS

RESOLVED that the committee reports for the Administration Department, Burial Services and Training Department to 31 August, 2018, be noted.

202. SCHEDULES OF PAYMENTS

Consideration was given to the Schedules of Payments for the Administration Department, Burial Services and Training Department for June, July and August 2018 (copies of which had been previously circulated) which revealed that the expenditure amounted to £90,368.03, £137,586.41, £127,637.03; £4,059.40, £7,809.95, £65,263.93; £116,425.40, £99,883.82 and £101,091.09 respectively.

RESOLVED that the reports be noted.

203. TRAINING PROGRAMMES - CONTRACT VALUES 2018/19

RESOLVED that the contract values report covering the period 1 August, 2018 to 31 July, 2019, be noted.

204. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Cllr. S. M. Donoghue declared a personal interest in item 7 below, as he was the Council's representative on that committee.

Consideration was given to applications received for financial assistance and it was

RESOLVED that:

- (1) Bobath Children's Therapy Centre Wales that the application be noted;
- (2) Carmarthenshire Federation of Y.F.C's that the application be noted;
- (3) Carmarthen Shopmobility that the application be noted;
- (4) Diabetes UK that a contribution of $\pounds 100$ be made;
- (5) Evans & Williams that the application be noted;
- (6) 1^{st} Llanelli Scout Group that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (7) Llanelli & District Civic Society that a contribution of £50 be made;
- (8) Llanelli Multicultural Network that the application be noted;
- (9) Llanelli Royal British Legion Band of Wales that the application be noted;
- (10) Pontyates W.I. that the matter be referred to Local Ward Members;
- (11) SOSPPAN that a contribution of $\pounds 50$ be made;
- (12) St. John Wales that a contribution of $\pounds 100$ be made;
- (13) Urdd Gobaith Cymru that the application be noted;
- (14) White Knight Chess Club that the application be noted.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.20 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 October, 2018, adopted by the Council.