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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 270 – 279

At a **COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 13 November, 2018, at 6.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr. S. L. Davies (Vice Chairman (in the Chair))

Cllrs.

F. Akhtar	T. J. Jones
T. Devichand	A. G. Morgan
P. M. Edwards	R. L. Najmi
H. J. Evans	J. S. Phillips
J. P. Hart	W. V. Thomas

Absent: S. N. Lewis, J. S. Randall

270. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The Chairman referred to the recent demised Past Chairman Marley Howells and as a mark of respect Members and Officers stood in silent tribute.

271. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. S. M. Caiach, M. V. Davies, S. M. Donoghue, T. M. Donoghue, C. A. Rees, A. J. Rogers, E. Simmons and I. G. Wooldridge.

272. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

273. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED that the following Minutes (copies of which had been previously circulated to Members) be confirmed and signed as a true record of proceedings:

Council	9 October, 2018
Recreation and Welfare Committee	16 October, 2018
Policy and Resources Committee	17 October, 2018
Planning and Liaison Committee	22 October, 2018
Community Development Grants Panel	24 October, 2018
Learning and Development Consultative Committee	25 October, 2018

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Finance and General Purposes Committee
Planning and Liaison Committee

31 October, 2018
12 November, 2018

**274. MATTERS ARISING
(1) PLANNING AND LIAISON COMMITTEE
22 OCTOBER, 2018**

Further to Minute No. 241, Members were informed that Cllr. M. V .Davies was marked as absent at that meeting whereas apologies had been received.

RESOLVED that the Minutes be amended accordingly.

(2) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PANEL

Further to Minute No. 248, Members were informed that Cllr. S. M. Caiach had declared a personal interest in item 248(23) and not 248(3) as stated in the Minutes.

RESOLVED that the Minutes be amended accordingly.

275. VIREMENT PROPOSAL

Pursuant to Minute No. 258, it was

RESOLVED that the following recommendation of the Finance and General Purposes Committee be accepted:-

“The Council agrees to the virement of £1,000 from the community development grants panel budget for it to be donated to the Wales Air Ambulance.”

Arising out of discussion of the above, Members suggested that the surplus of £4,000 from the Community Development Grants Panel committee meeting be used to support the local food bank initiatives for people residing in the Council’s area rather than being carried forward and used again by the Grants Panel in the new financial year. Members commented they were aware of the development of a food bank scheme but it was still too soon to establish how the initiative might benefit the Council’s area. Therefore the money could be kept in general reserves for the time being but then earmarked and used once further information was obtained later in the year, and it was

FURTHER RESOLVED that the surplus of £4,000 from the Community Development Grants Panel shall be paid into General Reserves with it being earmarked for foodbank support once further information is received.

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**276. SOSPPAN AND HYWEL DDA UNIVERSITY HEALTH
BOARD MATTERS
(1) COUNCIL INVITATION**

Further to Minute 204(11), Members considered email correspondence from the Secretary, SOSPPAN in response to the Clerk's email inviting SOSPPAN to attend a Council meeting to discuss how the Council, SOSPPAN and other stakeholders might work together to take forward the issue of scrutinising Hywel Dda University Health Board's draft strategy in regard to the transformation of health services across the region.

Unfortunately, the invitation for SOSPPAN to attend today's Council meeting was regrettably declined owing to the meeting clashing with another engagement previously organised by SOSPPAN. Members were informed the Secretary from SOSPPAN had suggested that the Clerk to the Council be invited to a future meeting of SOSPPAN in order to be briefed on progress. Also the financial contribution of £50 that was awarded by the Finance and General Purposes Committee to SOSPPAN was no longer required because their campaign work had now ended at least for the time being.

RESOLVED that the information be noted but the offer made by SOSPPAN to brief the Clerk to the Council by attending one of its future meeting be respectfully declined.

(2) REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Further correspondence was received from the Secretary, SOSPPAN regarding the request to nominate Cllr. T. Devichand as the Council's representative on SOSPPAN. This request had been declined due to there being no further vacancies at present on the SOSPPAN committee.

Following a lengthy discussion, Members were disappointed that a representative from the Council was unable to sit on the SOSPPAN committee but agreed that the way forward would be to engage with the Community Health Council, Hywel Dda University Health Board and the ambulance service and other important stakeholders such as the local Member of Parliament and Assembly Member and to invite these representatives to future Council meetings. As a starting point, Members recognised that the Health Board was publicising its draft strategy on 29 November at its next board meeting and so felt it was appropriate to invite the Health Board's Chief Executive to the Council's December meeting and it was

RESOLVED that an invitation be sent to the Chief Executive, Hywel Dda University Health Board to attend the Council meeting scheduled for 11 December, 2018, to discuss the Health Board's strategy in regard to the transformation of health services across the region.

277. MATTERS REPORTED

RESOLVED that the schedule of matters reported be noted. Furthermore, that the issue reported by Cllr. H. J. Evans about Maestir Felinfoel be referred to Carmarthenshire County Council and Llanelli Town Council given the footpath was located in the Lliedi Ward which was a town council area.

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278. 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.

**279. CAMBRIAN HERITAGE REGENERATION TRUST (CHRT)
LLANELLY HOUSE**

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Ms Susan Roberts Trustee and Director, Mrs Alison Evans, Trustee Llanelly House and Mr Chris Moore, Director of Corporate Services, Carmarthenshire County Council to discuss the Regeneration of Llanelly House and invited them to address Members.

Ms Roberts thanked Members for the opportunity to attend the Council meeting and invited her colleague Mrs Evans to address Members via the aid of presentation slides. Mrs Evans then took Members through the presentation highlighting the twenty year project to bring Llanelly House back to life as part of the regeneration of the town centre and also key elements of the revised business plan and the financial support required over the short to medium term.

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Chairman thanked Ms Roberts, Mrs Evans and Mr Moore for attending the meeting and for contributing to a very informative discussion. Prior to them leaving the meeting they were appraised of the Council's timescale for compiling its draft estimates of income and expenditure and that it would be appropriate for a further discussion about the Council's intentions and whether it could lend support towards the business plan in mid January 2019.

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The Meeting concluded at 7.10 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 December, 2018, adopted by the Council.