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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 414 – 423

At a Meeting of the **RECREATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Tuesday, 19 February, 2019, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. S. N. Lewis (Vice Chairman (in the Chair))

M. V. Davies J. P. Hart
S. L. Davies A. G. Morgan
W. V. Thomas

Absent: T. M. Donoghue

414. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. S. M. Caiach, T. Devichand (Cllr. S. L. Davies deputising), P. M. Edwards, C. A. Rees, E. Simmons, I. G. Woodridge.

415. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. A. G. Morgan declared a personal interest in Minute No. 422, as his son trained for Felinfoel RFC.

416. COMMUNITY FACILITIES – MAINTENANCE WORKS

RESOLVED that the report of the Technical and Burial Services Manager on work undertaken be noted.

**417. PWLL RECREATION GROUND
ACTIF**

Members considered correspondence from Cllr. P. M. Edwards informing of a meeting that had taken place with a member of the Actif team, Carmarthenshire County Council enquiring if they could use Pwll Recreation Ground during the school holidays for putting on various sports activities for children

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that permission be granted to 'Actif' to use Pwll Recreation Ground during the school holidays subject to them completing the Council's Organised Event Guide.

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**418. CARMARTHENSHIRE'S DRAFT RIGHTS OF WAY
IMPROVEMENT PLAN CONSULTATION 2019**

A consultation document was received from Carmarthenshire County Council together with an accompanying questionnaire informing that under Section 60(3) of the Countryside and Rights of Way (CROW) Act 2000, all Local Authorities in Wales were expected to undergo a statutory review of their present 'Rights of Way Improvement Plan' within 10 years of publishing their original plan.

The Improvement Plan must contain an action statement outlining how Carmarthenshire County Council could better manage the local Rights of Way network and undertake improvements.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the Clerk completes the questionnaire highlighting Members observations in regard to the proposed strategic proposals.

**419. SWISS VALLEY RESERVOIR
UPPER LLIEDI AND LOWER LLIEDI – DRAFT BYLAWS**

Further to Minute No. 132, correspondence was received from the Head of Operational Legal Services, Welsh Water informing that Welsh Water would like to make byelaws to the Upper and Lower Lliedi reservoir to preserve order and to prevent damage and discourage anti-social behaviour that could interfere with the reservoirs by the general public.

Welsh Water considered it necessary to make bylaws in order that a measure of control could be exercised on persons who trespass, use the reservoirs for improper or dangerous activities and generally ignore the warnings and notices that already exist.

Members were informed of the Council's plan to maintain the local environs surrounding the lower reservoir and car park. The arrangement would be governed by a 'community adoption scheme' of the reservoir. As part of this planned arrangement, the Council wished to retain some flexibility in the provision of future facilities at the lower reservoir such as canoeing and fishing.

The Council's Technical and Burial Services Manager had sent a preliminary reply to Welsh Water in regard to the context of the draft Bylaws, enquiring whether there was a need for the Council to be referred in the Bylaws when defining various controls, responsibilities and actions which were likely to be permitted going forward.

Members in noting the preliminary response commented as to whether specific mention could be made in the Bylaws to controlling dog and horse fouling and what possible controls/actions could be introduced to raise public awareness and to encourage third parties to clean up afterwards with the waste being deposited in a responsible manner.

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RESOLVED that Members views and observations be forwarded to Welsh Water to add further support to the original points set out by the Technical and Burial Services Manager in his earlier letter.

420. 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.

421. LLWYNHENDY LIBRARY

Members received a verbal report from the Clerk about Llwynhendy Library. The Clerk had attended a meeting with Officers from Carmarthenshire County Council and local Ward Members to discuss the possibility of opening Llwynhendy Library for community use.

The meeting was very constructive and other organisations and stakeholders in the area had shown interest in using the library. During the meeting it was agreed to formulate a project group to help with the feasibility of the building being adopted for community purposes alongside the current library service.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the information be noted and to await further developments.

**422. FELINFOEL RECREATION GROUND
JUNIOR RUGBY PITCH**

Cllr. A. G. Morgan declared a personal interest in the following matter as his son trained with Felinfoel RFC.

Members received a request from the Secretary, Felinfoel RFC as to whether the Council could mark out an additional juniors rugby playing area at Felinfoel Recreation Ground, adjacent to the park.

Due to the large number of mini and junior teams Felinfoel now had, it was difficult to play all the games on a Sunday morning and sessions would run into the afternoon.

Following discussion, Members enquired if the local residents had any concerns regarding additional noise near the perimeter of their properties, and it was

RESOLVED that the request be granted subject to the local residents being consulted.

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**423. FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT
PWLL RECREATION GROUND**

Members were circulated with a Statement of Accounts received from the above Management Committee.

RESOLVED that the annual grant of £400 be made to Pwll Recreation Ground Committee for the year ending 31 December, 2018.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.15 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 12 March, 2019, adopted by the Council.