

**14 May, 2019**

**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, 14 May, 2019, at 6.00 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. S. L. Davies (Chairman)

**Cllrs.**

S. M. Caiach	S. N. Lewis
M. V. Davies	A. G. Morgan
T. Devichand	R. L. Najmi
P. M. Edwards	J. S. Phillips
H. J. Evans	C. A. Rees
J. P. Hart	A. J. Rogers
T. J. Jones	W. V. Thomas
I. G. Wooldridge	

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. F. Akhtar, S. M. Donoghue, T. M. Donoghue, J. S. Randall and E. Simmons.

**2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**3. CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS**

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

Cllr. Caiach reflecting upon the many events she had participated in during the year stated she had attended over 200 engagements, it had been very busy but a memorable year. Cllr. Caiach referred to the visit to the Air Ambulance Centre in Dafen and also the commemorations ceremonies celebrating the end of the 1914-18 war.

Cllr. Caiach then referred to the charity fundraising events she had organised in support of 1911 Railway Strike Remembrance Committee, Wales Air Ambulance and Breakthro. The events had raised £1,377 in total.

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Cllr. Caiach then thanked the various organisations that were working with the Council for their support. She extended thanks to the Chairman and Consort, Carmarthenshire County Council, Llanelli Town Mayor and Mayoress and to all other civic dignitaries who she had worked with during the civic year.

Cllr. Caiach then thanked her mother and Consort, Mrs J. Walters and Cllr. S. L. Davies for serving in her capacity as Vice Chairman and for supporting her so well during the year.

In closing Cllr. Caiach paid tribute to the valued support provided to her throughout the year by the Council's staff and then wished the Chairman Elect, Cllr. S. L. Davies and her Consort Miss Shelley Williams every success for the year ahead and it was

**RESOLVED** that Cllr. Caiach's remarks be noted.

#### **4. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Cllr. S. M. Caiach invited nominations for the election of Chairman. It was moved by Cllr. T. J. Jones, seconded by Cllr. W. V. Thomas, and was

**RESOLVED** that Cllr. S. L. Davies be and, is hereby, appointed as Chairman for the municipal year 2019/20.

The Past Chairman invested the Chairman and Consort, Miss S Williams 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. Davies conveyed her congratulations to the newly elected Mayor for Llanelli Town Council, Cllr. J. Jones and to the incoming Chairman of Carmarthenshire County Council and she looked forward to working with all the civic dignitaries of neighbouring Councils.

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

#### **6. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

It was moved by Cllr. S. N. Lewis, seconded by Cllr. A. J. Rogers, and was

**RESOLVED** that Cllr. T. Devichand be and, is hereby, appointed as Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2019/20.

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The Chairman, Cllr. S. L. Davies invested the Vice-Chairman and Consort, Cllr. J. P. Hart 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. L. Davies presented Cllr. S. M. Caiach with the Past Chairman’s medallion and Mrs J. Walters with the Past Chairman’s Consort’s medallion and a bouquet.

**9. ADJOURNMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING**

On the motion of Cllr. A. G. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. H. J. Evans, it was

**RESOLVED** that the Annual Meeting stand adjourned until Thursday, 16 May, 2019 at 6.00 pm.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.20 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 11 June, 2019, adopted by the Council.