LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 414 – 424

At a Meeting of the **RECREATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, on Wednesday, 18 February, 2020, at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. P. M. Edwards (Chairman)

Cllrs.

S. L. Davies J. P. Hart T. Devichand S. N. Lewis

W. V. Thomas

Absent: T. M. Donoghue, E. Simmons

414. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. M. V. Davies, A. G. Morgan and I. G. Wooldridge.

415. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following members declared an interest in the following matters:

Minute No.	Councillor	Interest
418	S. L. Davies	Personal interest – member of Dafen Welfare
		Committee
418	T. Devichand	Personal interest – member of Dafen Welfare
		Committee
418	S. N. Lewis	Personal interest – member of Dafen Welfare
		Committee

416. COMMUNITY FACILITIES – MAINTENANCE WORKS

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

417. LAND AT PARC RICHARD, PENYGRAIG

Further to Minute No. 283 (28 November, 2018, refers), members received the report of the Community Development Officer informing of the draft lease that had been received from

Carmarthenshire County Council to asset transfer land at Parc Richard, Penygraig for the purpose of constructing a children's play area. The scheme had been prioritised in the council's list of capital schemes for 2020/21.

Prior to signing the lease, the following steps needed to be taken into consideration:

- consultation with the proposed play area's neighbouring properties;
- if favourable, conduct a tree survey (Minute 283 of the committee held on 28 November, 2018 refers) and adhere to recommendations;
- hold a community consultation on what type of play area was needed;
- apply for available funding and section 106 monies.

If the children's play area was opposed by neighbouring properties, members would need to decide on the next course of action at a future meeting of the committee.

Following discussion, members raised concern as to whether there were any legal issues with the parcel of land earmarked for the play area, and it was

RESOLVED that the report be accepted with the following action being undertaken on a step by step process:

- 1. Confirm there were no legal issues on providing a play area at the proposed location.
- 2. Consultation with the proposed play area's neighbouring properties.
- 3. Investigate which funding avenues could be applied for.
- 4. Hold a community consultation on what type of play equipment was required.

418. DAFEN PARK

Cllr. S. L. Davies, T. Devichand and S. N. Lewis declared personal interests in the following items as they were members of Dafen Welfare Committee.

(1) ASTROTURF FACILITY

The Technical and Burial Services Officer informed members that a request had been received from the Dafen Welfare Committee to remove the viewing platform and the fenced spectator area from the proposed astroturf pitch at Dafen Park.

Site meetings had previously taken place with officers and members of the Dafen Welfare Committee but to date there had been no joint agreement.

The Technical and Burial Services Officer informed members that the space had been fully utilized and the planning consent had been granted by Carmarthenshire County Council. Also under the Disability Discrimination Act the access ramp requirements to the astroturf pitch would have to be a minimum of 2.2 metres. It was currently designed at 3 metres but this was to allow for machinery to access the area to maintain the astroturf.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the proposed original design as per the planning consent granted by Carmarthenshire County Council be adhered to.

(2) PLAY AREA

A request had been received from Mr Griffiths enquiring of the future plans for the land at Dafen park next to the astroturf area. Mr Griffiths had suggested that the area could be used for a dog's play area.

Following discussion, the Technical and Burial Services Manager informed Members that the area in question had been set aside for car parking alongside the astroturf facility.

RESOLVED that the request be refused.

419. FIVE ROADS COMMUNITY HALL NOTICEBOARD

Members considered a request from the Secretary, Five Roads Community Hall to erect a noticeboard to the external wall of the hall.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the request be granted.

420. SANDY COMMUNITY HALL MEMORIAL PLAQUE

Members considered a request made by Cllr. S. M. Caiach to erect a memorial plaque for Mr David Conrad Rees who was the past chairman of the Stradey Residents Association.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the request be agreed to with Stradey Residents Association being responsible for the future maintenance of the memorial plaque.

421. LLWYNHENDY MUGA FOOTBALL TRAINING SESSIONS

An email was submitted by Cllr. J. P. Hart informing members that he had received a request from Swansea City Community Trust requesting permission to use the Llwynhendy MUGA to begin a football training project.

The project would be held for one day a week for 50 weeks of the year and would cater for 7 to 16 year olds. Swansea City Community Trust would supply floodlighting to the MUGA to cater for the winter months.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that permission be granted on submission and acceptance of the Council's Event Management Plan. Any unresolved issues would be reported to the committee.

422. SPRING CLEAN CYMRU 2020 - 20 MARCH – 13 APRIL 2020

Members received correspondence from the Carmarthenshire Project Officer, Keep Wales Tidy informing of the Spring Clean Cymru that was being held from 20 March to 13 April, 2020.

The aim was to inspire thousands of people to join forces to collect and safely dispose of litter from streets, parks and beaches and recycle as much as possible.

RESOLVED that the information be noted and to circulate the information to all Members.

423. 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.

424. FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORTS (1) PWLL RECREATION GROUND

Members were circulated with a Statement of Accounts received from the management committee.

RESOLVED that the annual grant of £400 be made to Pwll Recreation Ground Management Committee for the year ending 31 December, 2019.

It was

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Deputy Clerk discusses the financial activities with the Treasurer of the management committee.

(2) TRALLWM COMMUNITY HALL

Members were circulated with a Statement of Accounts received from the management committee.

Following discussion, whereby members discussed financial arrangements, it was

RESOLVED that:

- (1) The annual grant of £400 be made to Trallwm Community Hall for the year ending 31 March, 2019.
- (2) The Deputy Clerk monitor the hall management committee on a quarterly basis over the next 12 months.

The Meeting concluded at 5.50 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 10 March, 2020, adopted by the Council.