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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 497 – 516

At a **COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council hosted at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Wednesday, 30 September, 2020, at 2.00 p.m.

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

Cllrs.

F. Akhtar	J. P. Hart
S. M. Caiach	S. N. Lewis
M. V. Davies	A. G. Morgan
T. Devichand	J. S. Phillips
P. M. Edwards	A. J. Rogers
H. J. Evans	W. V. Thomas

Absent: J. S. Randall, E. Simmons

497. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The Chairman informed members of the recent demise of Mr Rahman Akhtar, son of Cllr. Fozia Akhtar and as a mark of respect members and officers paid silent tribute.

The Chairman also extended best wishes to Cllr. T. J. Jones on a full recovery to good health and to Cllr. C. A. Rees who was still indisposed but was pleased to welcome Cllr. J. S. Phillips back to the Council Chamber following her recent indisposition.

498. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. S. M. Donoghue, T. M. Donoghue, T. J. Jones, C. A. Rees and I. G. Wooldridge.

499. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following members declared an interest in the following matters:

<i>Minute No.</i>	<i>Councillor</i>	<i>Interest</i>
503	S. L. Davies	Personal interest – personal involvement in the project in her capacity as a county councillor and in her role as a member of the

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504	S. L. Davies	Llwynhendy and Pemberton Forum. Personal interest – hall patron in her capacity as a member of the Bynea and Llwynhendy Historical Society.
507	S. L. Davies	Personal interest – member of the Dafen Welfare Management Committee.
503	T. Devichand	Personal interest – member of the Llwynhendy and Pemberton Forum.
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507	S. N. Lewis	Personal interest - member of the Dafen Welfare Management Committee.
507	A. J. Rogers	Personal interest - member of the Dafen Welfare Management Committee.

500. MEETING HOST

To assist the Chairman in facilitating the general meeting arrangements and because the Chairman was participating remotely, it was

RESOLVED that Cllr. H. J. Evans be appointed as a meeting host at Vauxhall Buildings to help alert the Chairman as to when members wished to speak.

501. 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:

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502. ANNUAL MEETING

The Clerk sought members' views on the general arrangements for conducting the annual meeting.

The Clerk reminded members that 'The Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020 generally provided flexibility to enable local authorities to conduct meetings on the basis of full or partial remote attendance. In particular Part 3 of the Regulations removed the requirement for the 2020 annual meeting of a community council to be held in May 2020. The Regulations also enable the annual meeting in 2020 to be held on such day in 2020 as the proper officer (Clerk) may determine.

The Clerk had yet to fix a date for the annual meeting but stated it must be held by no later than 31 December 2020. Thereupon the Clerk referred to the business to be transacted at the meeting and the intended format which, in all likelihood, would be different to the normal

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format because of the impact of the Covid-19 crisis. The Regulations provided a degree of flexibility in regard to the election of the chairman and vice-chairman, whereby the council might decide not to hold elections for these positions at the annual meeting held in 2020. In this instance the council would need to hold an election for the chairman and vice chairman at any time between now and May 2021. If there was no election at the 2020 annual meeting, the existing chairman (Cllr S. L. Davies) would continue in office along with the existing vice chairman (Cllr T. Devichand).

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that:

1. The annual meeting be held in October 2020; the Clerk to confirm the date to the Chairman and Leader.
2. The term of office for the existing Chairman and Vice Chairman be extended to May 2021.
3. In preparation for the other business to be transacted at the 2020 annual meeting there shall be no change to the membership of standing committees (including the appointments of chairman and vice chairman to these committees) and no change to representation on outside bodies with the status quo being retained and as determined at the annual meeting held in 2019.
4. The timetable for the 2021 annual meeting will follow the standard convention with it being held on 11 May, 2021.

503. DWYFOR GROWING SPACE

Cllr. S. L. Davies declared a personal interest in the following item given her personal involvement in the project in her capacity as a county councillor and because of her role as a member of the Llwynhendy and Pemberton Forum. Cllrs. T. Devichand and J. P. Hart also declared personal interests in the item as they were also members of the Llwynhendy and Pemberton Forum.

Further to Minute No. 318, members considered email correspondence from Assistant Solicitor, Carmarthenshire County Council (CCC), to which the following documents were attached:

1. Plan including access way
2. Architect's Deed (draft)
3. Contractor's Deed (draft)
4. Draft Lease – amended for the Works and Housing Contribution (draft document highlighting tracked changes)
5. Final amended plan
6. Project Briefing document.

Members were pleased to note that the housing grant of £25,000 had been agreed to on the understanding that the money was used to undertake works to the property as detailed in the Project Briefing Paper. However, CCC required a clawback provision that the Transfer Grant would be repaid if the works were not completed by the Project Completion Date in 2023.

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The Assistant Solicitor enquired whether this council would be interested in taking on the extended area including the car parking area and the access land (coloured yellow on the plan (5) as part of the asset transfer.

RESOLVED the above documents be accepted and to proceed with the asset transfer. However, the offer of also transferring the extended area and access lane be declined.

504. SARON COMMUNITY HALL

Cllr. S. L. Davies declared a personal interest in the following item because she was a hall patron in her capacity as a member of the Bynea and Llwynhendy Historical Society.

Members considered correspondence from Carmarthenshire County Council (CCC) in negotiating the use of Saron Community Hall as an additional classroom facility whilst building works were being undertaken at Bynea School. The health and safety management arrangements required to be undertaken by the school prior to use was listed. There would be no internal alterations to the building.

Subsequent to the above the rent of £100 a week would be paid plus utilities had been proposed by CCC. The licence to rent the premises would commence on 5 October, 2020 until 25 May, 2021 or beyond.

The activity within the building would fall under the insurance indemnity of CCC with the insuring of its fabric continuing with this council as owners of the property.

Following a discussion during which members agreed to the rental terms as detailed above and that Saron Community Hall would benefit from the rental income.

RESOLVED that CCC and Saron Community Hall Management Committee be informed accordingly.

505. YSGOL HEOL GOFFA – CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

Members received the full Consultation Document for the proposed re-location of Ysgol Heol Goffa which would increase its capacity from 75 to 120. Members were reminded that the Council's preferred option under delegated powers in March, 2020, was "Option 4 New build 120 capacity school providing 21st century facility with a 5-bed respite centre and a small hydro pool. Preferred option for the medium to long term."

RESOLVED that the council's preferred option be re-affirmed as Option 4.

506. REMOVAL OF PUBLIC PAYPHONES

An email was received from Carmarthenshire County Council in regard to the outcome of British Telecom's consultation on the proposal to remove public payphones in select areas of Carmarthenshire. As previously highlighted under the Clerk's weekly bulletin service it was

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proposed to remove public payphones located at Sandy Road, Llanelli and Maesarddafen Road, Llwynhendy.

RESOLVED that no objection be made to the proposals.

507. INSTALLATION OF A MEMORIAL BENCH AT DAFEN PARK

Cllrs S. L. Davies, T. Devichand, S. N. Lewis and A. J. Rogers declared a personal interest in the following item as they were members of the Dafen Welfare Management Committee.

A request had been received to site a memorial bench at Dafen Park in memory of Arnold Letheren and Paul Hughes. Members were informed that all costs involved with the provision and installation would be met by the family. The bench would be manufactured of plastic coated steel and would be low maintenance.

RESOLVED that the request be acceded to and the Technical and Burial Services Manager would liaise with the family on the location for the bench.

508. PLAYLIST FOR LIFE

Members received an email from Playlist for Life, a lottery funded charity, that helped people suffering with dementia through the creation of music playlists; it had started in Scotland seven years ago. It was hoped that Llanelli Rural Council would become a Community Help Point for the project with fifty Playlist for Life packs held at the council office, Vauxhall Buildings and also to promote the project through the council's social media channels and website.

RESOLVED that the request be approved.

509. FRACTURE CLINIC SERVICE

A letter had been received from the Chief Executive of Hywel Dda University Health Board (HDUHB) in response to council concerns about the transfer of the fracture clinic service from Prince Philip Hospital to Glangwili Hospital. The HDUHB said that this was a temporary location change and was clinically driven, to ensure the safety of staff and patients under the current Covid-19 regulations and social distancing.

RESOLVED that the:

1. Letter be noted; and the
2. Situation be monitored as it was important to retain key services in Prince Philip Hospital.

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**510. PLANNING MATTERS
(1) LAND AT BLAENHIRAETH FARM, LLANGENNECH**

Further to Minute No. 169 (16 September, 2019) Members received a planning application submitted by Voltalia UK under The Developments of National Significance (Wales) Regulations 2016. The writer informed that the determination of the application had resumed on 5 September, 2020, following a temporary suspension of the application in June 2020 due to the ongoing situation surrounding the Coronavirus pandemic. Accordingly the council was invited to participate in the consultation process by submitting comments directly to The Planning Inspectorate. Thereupon the Clerk gave a brief overview of the application including the council's pre-application response made to the Planning Agents acting on behalf of Voltalia UK. Having considered the information received in the document bundle it was

RESOLVED that a formal objection to the application be lodged with The Planning Inspectorate.

**(2) PLANNING APPLICATIONS
TOWN AND COUNTRY
GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURE ORDER 1995**

Consideration having been given to planning applications received, it was

RESOLVED as follows:-

Application No.	Location	Development
PL/00155	Mr D Jones 11 Maes Delfyn Bryn	Change of use from integral garage to sitting room.
Recommendation – no objection.		
PL/00238	Dwr Cymru Welsh Water Bynea Sewage Treatment Works Bynea	Installation of ground-mounted solar photovoltaic array, security fencing and CCTV columns, electrical cabling and inverter kiosk on open ground at DCWW Bynea Wastewater Treatment Works to supply renewable energy to the facility.

Recommendation – no objection provided there is no detrimental impact to onsite and neighbouring habitats, given the proximity to the Carmarthen bay and Estuaries Special Area of Conservation and associated Site of Special Scientific Interest and the Burry Inlet Special Protection Area and Ramsar Site.

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Application No.	Location	Development
PL/00255	Ms N Evans 48 Bryn Uchaf Bryn	Garage conversion.
Recommendation – no objection.		
PL/00292	Mr J Caulfield 22, Y Fron Llanelli	Proposed rear first floor lounge extension.
Recommendation – no objection provided there was no detrimental impact on the amenity and privacy of neighbouring dwellings.		
PL/00297	Mr M Lewis 267 Pant Bryn Isaf Llanelli	Proposed single storey extension and balcony at first floor to the rear of the existing dwelling.
Recommendation – no objection provided there was no detrimental impact on the amenity and privacy of neighbouring dwellings.		
PL/00302	L Harries Unit 2 Dafen Trade Park Dafen Road	Change of use of premises from industrial unit (class B1, B2, B8) to Beauty Salon (Sui generic).
Recommendation – no objection.		
PL/00319	Mr G Davies Bryngroes Fawr Farm Five Roads	Replacement Earth Bank Nutrient Storage Lagoon to comply with Environmental Permitting Regulations and SSAFO Regulations.
Recommendation – no objection provided the construction methods fully complied with the Environmental Permitting Regulations and the Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil Regulations as they apply to Wales.		
PL/00323	Mr G Davies Bryngroes Fawr Farm Five Roads	Conversion of existing Silage Clamp to covered feed yard.
Recommendation – no objection provided the construction methods fully complied with the Environmental Permitting Regulations and the Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil Regulations as they apply to Wales.		

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Application No.	Location	Development
PL/00328	Mr G Davies Bryngroes Fawr Farm Five Roads	SSAFO Compliant Silage Clamp.
<p>Recommendation – no objection provided the construction methods fully complied with the Environmental Permitting Regulations and the Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil Regulations as they apply to Wales.</p>		
PL/00338	Mr G Pugh 40 Hill Top Swiss Valley	Erection of two storey kitchen and bathroom extension.
<p>Recommendation – no objection provided there was no detrimental impact on the amenity and privacy of neighbouring dwellings.</p>		
PL/00340	Mr M Jones Pencaeau Farm Felinfoel	Portal steel shed with metal sheet cladding to provide storage for agricultural equipment. Shed to be situated within existing yard and located where prior farm buildings had been located in the past.

Recommendation – no objection.

(3) PLANNING APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER THE CLERK'S DELEGATED POWERS

Members were informed that the Clerk had dealt with the following planning applications under the scheme of delegated powers and which had been determined following council wide consultation with members.

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Application No.	Location	Development
The following applications had been determined under the Clerk's delegated powers from 2 July, 2020 to 22 September, 2020.		
PL/00005 (27/8/2020)	Mr Morgan 204 Heol Pennant Swiss Valley	Gable fronted extension to front of dwelling.
Recommendation - objection on the grounds that the proposal was out of alignment with the building line of that area of Heol Pennant.		
PL/00016	Mr T Harvey Ivanhoe House Nantybryn Dafen	Proposed single-storey detached garage.
Recommendation – no objection.		
PL/00179	Oakhurst Homes Ltd c/o Asbri Planning Land adjacent to 80 Llwynhendy Road Bynea	Proposed construction of a residential development comprising 13no residential dwellings and associated access, parking, landscaping and infrastructure works.
Recommendation – no objection provided:		
1. A satisfactory ecological report was received.		
2. The proposal was not an over-development of the site.		
3. There was no detrimental impact on the amenity and privacy of neighbouring dwellings.		
4. Highway safety would be addressed.		
PL/00199	Mr C Cannings 65 Pentrepoeth Road The Old Farmhouse Pentrepoeth Road	Variation of condition 2 and 3 on S/39471 (new stone cladding finish on front elevation of property and increase in size of porch at front of the property).
Recommendation – no objection		
PL/00225	Mrs Evans 5 Blaen Nant Swiss Valley	Proposed conservatory to the rear of the dwelling.

Recommendation – no objection provided there was no detrimental impact on the amenity and privacy of the neighbouring dwellings.

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Application No.	Location	Development
PL/00261	Mr S Owens 4 Nant y Gro Dafen	Two-storey kitchen and bedroom extension.
Recommendation – no objection.		
PL/00265	Mr K Daniels 49 Bassett Terrace Pwll	Proposed rear ground floor conservatory extension.
Recommendation – objection on the grounds that the proposed development was on a C2 flood plain with the rear gardens in the area having experienced flooding in recent years.		
PL/00271	Mr C Cannings 65 The Old Farmhouse Pentrepoeth Road Llanelli	Demolition of existing garage, erection of new garage and associated works.
Recommendation – no objection.		
PL/00177 (3/9/2020)	Ms C Jones Land at Moreb Farm Pwll Road Burry Port	Siting of a static caravan for temporary period.
Recommendation – no objection provided that:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The siting of the static caravan was only used to enable site investigation works to be undertaken.2. Permission to site the caravan was for a temporary period to the maximum of 18 months only.		
PL/00264	Miss H. Pullen Glyn Crwbach Farm Myrtle Hill Cynheidre	Creation of a traveller pitch with existing cowshed renovated to form a day/utility room, a static caravan and tourer, installation of a package treatment plant, alterations to access and erection of boundary treatments.
Recommendation – no objection provided that:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The development with facilities was for a local member of the traveller/gypsy community.2. The proposed caravan and other works were conducive to the intended site.3. There was suitable access and clear visibility to/from the site.4. Any ecology issues were addressed.		

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Application No.	Location	Development
PL/00020 (15/9/2020)	Mr Stevenson Land part of 1 Bay View Pwll	Proposed siting of a detached dwelling house.

Recommendation – objection on the following grounds:

1. The area had been over developed resulting in a high density of garden development and the proposal was not considered appropriate as it would have an overbearing effect on neighbouring dwellings with it being detrimental to the amenity and privacy of the properties immediately situated on the western and southern flanks of the parcel of land.
2. There were highway safety concerns in regard to the proposed access/egress arrangements servicing the proposed dwelling off Tyle Catherine, which was a narrow one way road as well as related safety concerns because of poor visibility in approaching the site along Elgin Road. This particular road already experienced a high volume of vehicle movements as well as quite severe on-street parking issues affecting the free flow of traffic in westerly and easterly directions along its entire length. Vehicles entering the site via Elgin Road/Tyle Catherine should be able to access/egress the property in forward gear in the interests of road safety. There appeared to be insufficient manoeuvring space allocated in the current design concept to accommodate this within the land parcel.

PL/00048	Mrs Johnston 1 Havard Road Llanelli	Conservatory to rear elevation.
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Recommendation – no objection provided:

1. There was no detrimental impact on the amenity and privacy of the neighbouring dwelling.
2. The conservatory extension did not have a detrimental impact on the original appearance of the rear of the dwelling given the shape of the conservatory when constructed alongside the single storey rear elevation which was offset at an angle to the main dwelling.

PL/00079	Mr W Thomas Dafen Welfare Cricket Club Maescanner Road Dafen	Erection of a marquee on part of the open space in front of the clubhouse. The marquee was 14 metres in length and 6 metres wide. The marquee would be fixed into the ground.
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Recommendation – no objection.

PL/00171	Mr P Dunne Land adj. to 9 Tre Buan Felinfoel	New double garage.
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Recommendation – no objection.

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Application No.	Location	Development
PL/00202	Mr D Thomas 89 Trallwm Road Llanelli	Proposed first floor and single rear storey extension (two parts) to create new bedroom.
Recommendation - no objection provided there was no detrimental impact on the amenity and privacy of neighbouring dwellings.		
PL/00305	Mr P Dunne Land adj. to 9 Tre Buan Felinfoel	Reserved matters to outline planning permission S/38665 (new dormer bungalow with solar panel glazing to front elevation and off street parking) detailed plans of the layout, scale, appearance and landscaping with means of access thereto.
Recommendation - no objection provided the drainage generated from the development did not increase the hydraulic load on the public sewer.		
PL/00347	Mr D Evans 30 Cae Gar Llwynhendy	Demolish the existing broken down zinc garage and roofless shed to re-build connected to the house.
Recommendation - no objection provided appropriate mitigation measures were incorporated into the design to prevent the potential risk of flooding to the development.		
PL/00353	Mr C Thomas 27A Stepney Road Pwll	Refurbishment of existing bungalow and new kitchen extension including demolition of existing conservatory.

Recommendation – objection unless appropriate mitigation measures were incorporated into the design of the kitchen extension to prevent the risk of flooding to the new development given the site was located in a C2 flood zone which was prone to flooding.

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Application No.	Location	Development
PL/00019 (22/9/2020)	Mrs L Jones Land off Heol Llanelli Pontyates Llanelli	Siting of 10 dwellings

Recommendation – no objection provided:

1. The site was developed in accordance with the housing allocation set out in the Local Development Plan (LDP) to meet the allocation under the provision of Policy H1 of the LDP.
2. The semi-detached properties were identified for affordable housing purposes.
3. Access to all the properties would be off Heol Llanelli.
4. The development scheme separating surface and foul water flows.
5. There was no detrimental impact to other parts of the community associated with surface water runoff from the site.
6. The site had ecological value so the existing hedgerow should be translocated behind a newly constructed pavement fronting the properties on Heol Llanelli as set out in the plans.
7. The application made no reference to potential community benefit being derived from the development but the council wished to see fresh investment opportunities being realised from the development to enhance recreational facilities at the nearby council maintained park off Heol Llanelli as well as possibly being put towards traffic calming measures in the immediate vicinity of the site to help promote highway safety.

PL/00028	Mrs C Jones 1 Clos Bryn Haul Llwynhendy	Conversion of existing garage into living space.
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Recommendation – no objection.

PL/00103	Mr N Griffiths 45 Penllwynrhodyn Road Llwynhendy	Change of use of existing convenience store, bungalow and residential flat, to provide 9 flats.
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Recommendation – objection unless:

1. The development proposal and change of use did not represent an over development of the property and site.
2. There was sufficient space to accommodate the additional off road parking of vehicles (based on two vehicles per flat).
3. There was sufficient garden/amenity space to service the number of flats.
4. There was no detrimental impact on highway safety.
5. There was no detrimental impact on the residential amenity of neighbouring dwellings.

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Application No.	Location	Development
PL/00428	Mr Paul 10 Clos Cefn Bryn Llwynhendy	Proposed rear conservatory extension.

Recommendation – no objection.

511. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(1) SCHEDULES OF PAYMENTS

Consideration was given to the schedules of payments for the Administration Department, Burial Services and Training Department for June and July 2020 the totals amounted to £264,495.14, £45,966.22 and £221,707.62, respectively.

RESOLVED that the reports be noted

(2) BURIAL SERVICES VIREMENT

The Technical and Burial Services Manager reported the need for a new garden of remembrance to be provided at the Llanelli District Cemetery. It was proposed that the earmarked budget of £34,361 previously identified for a new infant section be expended on creating the new garden of remembrance.

RESOLVED that the £34,361 be allocated to provide a new garden of remembrance.

Cllr. F. Akhtar left the meeting during discussion of the above.

(3) ADVANCING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER (ACT)

Members considered an application for financial assistance from the Llanelli Neighbourhood Policing Team to support ACT. The Policing Team had been allocated a grant of £10,000 by The Police and Crime Commissioner and further funding was being sought from local businesses and organisations.

In discussing the application, members stated that as the council's area would not benefit from the objectives of ACT, it was

RESOLVED that the application be noted.

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512. 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.

513. WORKED BASED LEARNING

Members received the Service Level Agreement (SLA) issued by Neath Port Talbot College (NPTC) Group of Colleges which was issued to consortium Partners under the Skills Academy Wales branding for the purpose of Work Based Learning and other external funding projects. The Training Manager stated that the document was the standard SLA and followed the programme specification issued by the Welsh Government.

RESOLVED that the Service Level Agreement be accepted.

514. KICKSTART SCHEME

The Training Manager presented a report on the involvement in the UK wide Kickstart scheme that would offer subsidised work experience opportunities for young people aged 18-24. Establishing Kickstart provision in Wales was a fast moving process and part of a wider youth strategy to support new Universal Credit claimants into employment. Skills Academy Wales/Neath Port Talbot College had completed an expression of interest for the scheme and was completing the official application to become an intermediary.

The scheme would fund participants on job placement at the National Minimum Wage for a period of six months for 25 hours per week. Welsh Government was working on a process to clarify how the programme would dovetail with existing provision including traineeships and apprenticeships.

An initial 30 placement opportunities have been identified within the employer network. The advantages to the involvement of the Training Department with this programme would be:

- Progression opportunities for traineeship learners who leave the programme to go onto Universal Credit
- Potential apprenticeship opportunities at the end of the Kickstart placement
- Improved engagement with employers
- Potential funding surplus

Members having supported participation in the Kickstart programme, it was

RESOLVED the information be noted and to await further developments.

515. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Further to Minute no. 489 the Technical and Burial Services Manager reported that three companies had been invited to submit quotations for the provision of Christmas trees and lights in the community.

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Quotations were returned from two companies as follows:

Company	22' Trees	25' Trees	Terms
Excel Electrics Ltd	£946	£961	Based on a three year agreement. Ownership of the lights passing to the council at the end of the agreement term.
RNF Property Services	£985	£1,035	Lights would remain the property of the company

Both quotations included the provision of security fencing, certified electrical connection and engineer support.

In considering the quotations some members referred to the service previously received from RNF Property Services in their communities and opined a preference for accepting the quotation from this company. Also, the quotation term was for a one time supply period rather than entering into an agreement for three years as with Excel Electrics Ltd.

Discussion then took place on the areas from which requests had been received for Christmas trees with lights to be provided, i.e. Bynea, Llwynhendy, Ponthenri and Dafen. Two requests had also been received to provide trees in Sandy.

Following which, it was

RESOLVED that the:

1. Technical and Burial Services Manager accept the quotation received from RNF Property Services on the proviso that the lights proposed would be to commercial standard.
2. Local members for the Hengoed ward agree on the most suitable location for one tree in the Sandy area.

516. STAFFING MATTERS

Members considered the report of the Deputy Clerk informing of staffing matters.

RESOLVED that the report referenced 09:2020 be accepted.

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The Meeting concluded at 3.35 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 28 October, 2020 adopted by the Council.