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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 456 – 464

At a Meeting of the **RECREATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Tuesday, 15 March, 2022 at 4.45 p.m.

Present:	Cllr. W. V. Thomas (Chairman)
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Cllrs.

M. V. Davies S. N. Lewis T. Devichand A. G. Morgan A. J. Rogers

Together with: S. M. Caiach

Absent: S. K. Nurse

456. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. T. M. Donoghue, P. M. Edwards, J. P. Hart, T. J. Jones and I. G. Wooldridge.

457. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

458. COMMUNITY FACILITIES – MAINTENANCE WORKS

RESOLVED that the Facilities Manager's report on work undertaken be noted.

459. JUBILEE TREES

Members considered a suggestion from Cllr. S. M. Caiach to plant a tree in each of the council's seven electoral wards in recognition of the Queen's Jubilee in June 2022.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that:

1. The suggestion be supported and moreover that Cllr. Caiach's tree donation offer be accepted with officers making arrangements to plant the trees in appropriate locations throughout the council's area following council wide consultation with members.

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2. The trees would be protected with tree guards until they were established.

460. FELIN FACH, PONTHENRI – STEET LIGHTING

Members considered correspondence from the Public Lighting Department, Carmarthenshire County Council (CCC) informing of reports of an issue with street lighting at Felin Fach, Ponthenri which formed part of the council's footway lighting infrastructure.

Apparently an electrician for CCC had visited the site recently to repair the footway lighting following a power surge in the area but was approached by a local resident who claimed the lights were located on the resident's land and should not be repaired as the resident preferred to leave the location unlit.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that officers garner more information on the matter and report back to a future Recreation and Welfare Committee meeting after the ordinary local council elections had taken place in May 2022.

461. 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.

462. DAFEN PARK – SURRENDER LICENCE

The Technical and General Operations Manager retrospectively reported upon the surrender of a land parcel at the north eastern edge of Dafen Park to Carmarthenshire County Council (CCC). A Deed of Surrender document had been prepared by CCC and had been enacted using delegated powers following consultation with the council chairman and leader and committee chairman. The council chairman and clerk had subsequently attested the deed.

Members were informed that CCC had sought urgent agreement from the council to surrender the small land parcel as this would permit the sale of the land along with an adjacent parcel of land also owned by CCC to Llanelli Motor Company Limited in order to expand the business.

The council had no plans to develop the land parcel which was currently wooded and was of little community value.

RESOLVED that the enactment of the Deed of Surrender under the clerk's scheme of delegated powers be retrospectively noted and endorsed.

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463. PWLL PAVILION -RECONFIGURATION OF HEATING SYSTEM

Further to Minute No. 365, members received a tender recommendation report from Bullock Consulting Limited in the form of email correspondence, for the replacement of the existing gas fired water heater system at Pwll Pavilion.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the tender recommendation be approved and the tender submitted from Neath Construction Mechanical Services, Unit 24/25 Neath Abbey Business Park, Neath Abbey, Neath in the sum of £15,147.00 plus VAT be accepted.

464. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The chairman remarked that tonight's committee meeting may be the last meeting before the ordinary local council elections being held on 5 May, 2022. He thanked members for their support over the last 12 months and also officers and grounds maintenance staff for their help during his term as committee chairman over the same period.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.27 p.m.

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