

**12 April, 2022**

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 493 – 498**

At a **COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council hosted at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Tuesday, 12 April, 2022 at 6.00 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. T. Devichand (Chairman)

**Cllrs.**

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| C. P. Beer     | T. J. Jones    |
| S. M. Caiach   | S. N. Lewis    |
| M. V. Davies   | A. G. Morgan   |
| S. M. Donoghue | S. K. Nurse    |
| T. M. Donoghue | J. S. Phillips |
| A. Evans       | J. S. Randall  |
| H. J. Evans    | A. J. Rogers   |
| J. P. Hart     | W. V. Thomas   |

**Absent:** I. G. Wooldridge

**493. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. F. Akhtar, S. L. Davies and P. M. Edwards.

**494. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**495. 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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| Council                                | 8 March, 2022  |
| Recreation and Welfare Committee       | 15 March, 2022 |
| Policy and Resources Committee         | 16 March, 2022 |
| Planning and Liaison Committee         | 21 March, 2022 |
| Finance and General Purposes Committee | 23 March, 2022 |
| Civic and Ceremonial Committee         | 4 April, 2022  |
| Planning and Liaison Committee         | 11 April, 2022 |

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**496. COUNCIL TRAINING PLAN**

Members were presented with the Clerk's report and accompanying draft training plan for consideration.

The council had a statutory duty under section 67 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 to make a plan setting out what it proposed to do to address the training needs of its councillors and staff. While the duty to prepare and publish a training plan takes effect on 5 May, 2022, the council had until the 5 November 2022 to publish its inaugural training plan.

The purpose of the training plan was designed to ensure that collectively, councillors and staff possess the knowledge and awareness needed for the council to operate effectively. It was not necessary for all councillors and staff to have received the same training and develop the same expertise.

Members were informed that the plan had been drafted in the knowledge that it would be revisited later in the financial year, once new councillors had become more accustomed to their roles and responsibilities. Thereafter, it was intended to update the plan periodically over the five year term of the new council. This approach would provide for a further training needs assessment to be determined later in the year and subsequent years thereafter.

Following discussion about the initial plan content and other related questions, it was

**RESOLVED** that the council's inaugural training plan be approved and subsequently published on the council's website as soon as practicable following the 5 May, 2022, local government ordinary elections.

**497. PBP FOODBANK PROJECT**

Members received the PBP Food Bank project report from CETMA informing of the projects it delivered to local communities.

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the information be noted.

**498. RETIRING MEMBERS**

The Past Chairmen, Cllrs. H. J. Evans and T. J. Jones remarked that tonight's meeting would be their last council meeting before the ordinary local government elections being held on 5 May, 2022. Both members had served as councillors for many years but were not seeking re-election to the council at the forthcoming elections. They wanted to place on record their thanks to members and staff for the collective support afforded to them during their time as councillors and wished those members seeking re-election to the council, the best of luck.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.17 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 17 May, 2022 adopted by the Council.