

**12 September, 2023**

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 134 – 143**

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 September, 2023 at 6.00 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. J. S. Phillips (Chairman)

**Cllrs.**

S. R. Bowen	J. P. Hart
M. V. Davies	S. N. Lewis
S. L. Davies	A. G. Morgan
T. M. Donoghue	A. J. Rogers
A. Evans	W. E. Skinner
N. Evans	A. G. Stephens
R. E. Evans	N. A. Stephens
S. M. T. Ford	B. M. Williams
O. Williams	

**Absent:** S. K. Nurse

**134. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. D. M. Cundy and E. M. Evans.

**135. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr. N. A. Stephens declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Minute No. 140 (1), as he was a committee member at Stebonheath Park, Llanelli.

**136. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation in the proceedings.

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**137. 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:

Council	11 July, 2023
Planning and Liaison Committee	17 July, 2023
Recreation and Welfare Committee	18 July, 2023
Policy and Resources Committee	19 July, 2023
Finance and General Purposes Committee	26 July, 2023
Planning and Liaison Committee	7 August, 2023
Planning and Liaison Committee	29 August, 2023

**138. STRADEY PARK HOTEL**

Further to Minute No. 62, Cllr. S. L. Davies sought clarification as to what support the council was providing to residents of the Hengoed Ward, in view of the hotel being adapted to accommodate asylum seekers. By way of reply, the council leader reiterated the support set out in the resolution of minute no. 62 and clarified what other actions and measures were being performed by the council at the present time and to the general collaboration arrangements the council had in place with other local stakeholders.

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the information be noted.

**139. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS  
(1) CLOS CILSAIG PLAY AREA - DAFEN**

Correspondence was received from Evans Powell & Co Solicitors enclosing the Lease documents received from Carmarthenshire County Council, for engrossment by the council.

**RESOLVED** that the Chairman and Clerk be authorised to sign and affix the council's seal to the Lease for Clos Cilsaig Play Area, Dafen, Llanelli.

**(2) PENYGRAIG PLAY AREA - BYNEA**

Correspondence was received from Evans Powell & Co Solicitors enclosing the Lease documents received from Carmarthenshire County Council, for engrossment by the council.

**RESOLVED** that the Chairman and Clerk be authorised to sign and affix the council's seal to the Lease for Penygraig Play Area, Bynea, Llanelli.

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**140. ADVERTISING  
(1) LLANELLI AFC – STEBONHEATH PARK**

*Cllr. N. A. Stephens declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the following matter as he was a committee member at Stebonheath Park and left the meeting before the discussion commenced.*

Members received correspondence from the Sport, Youth and Activities Officer, Llanelli Town Council, enquiring if the council would like to have a pitch side advertising board at Stebonheath Park, Llanelli.

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the council supports Llanelli AFC by taking up an advertising board in the main stand at a cost of £300 for the 2023-2024 football season.

*Cllr. N. A. Stephens re-joined the meeting.*

**(2) SCARLETS  
SPONSORSHIP ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY**

Consideration was given to correspondence received from the Scarlets as to whether the council wished to continue with its sponsorship/advertising opportunity for the 2023 - 2024 rugby season, and it was

**RESOLVED** that the council continues to support the Scarlets rugby franchise by taking up an advertising board sponsorship opportunity at a cost of £1,000 plus VAT for the 2023-2024 rugby season. In addition to this it was agreed that representations should also be made to the Scarlets seeking its general support to participate in community engagement activities in the Pemberton Ward and the council's wider administrative area.

*During the conflated discussion of the above items, Cllr. A. Evans left the meeting.*

**141. LLANELLI JOINT BURIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Members received the following Minutes of a meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Advisory Committee held on 8 March, 2023:

“At the Meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Advisory Committee hosted at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Wednesday, 8 March 2023 at 4:00 pm.

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Present: Cllr. D. L. Darkin (Chairman)

Cllrs.

N. Evans

S. N. Lewis

J. S. Phillips

B. A. L. Roberts

A. J. Rogers

J. Williams

Together with Mr A. Davies (Town Clerk)

**31. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. T. M. Donoghue.

**32. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**33. MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the following minutes (copies of which had been previously circulated) be confirmed and signed as a true record of proceedings.

Special Meeting - 24 January 2023

**34. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORTS**

RECOMMENDED that the income and expenditure report up to 31 January 2023 be noted.

**35. GARDEN REMEMBRANCE 4**

Members considered the Facilities Manager's report on the development of a new memorial area between Gardens of Remembrance 3 and 4 and the provision of six benches and seven planter features. The benches could be adorned with memorial plaques and offered to the public via a simple lease agreement. A budget of £5,000 was available to complete the works, which also included the provision of paths and land drainage. The DLO team would carry out all works. Following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED that the report proposals and the associated cost be accepted.

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The meeting concluded at 4.11 pm

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RESOLVED that the minutes and the recommendations contained therein be received and accepted.

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**142. MATTERS REPORTED**

**RESOLVED** that the schedule of matters reported be noted.

**143. LETTERS OF APPRECIATION**

**RESOLVED** that the letters of appreciation for the council's assistance, received from the following organisations be noted with pleasure:

- (1) Cruse Bereavement Support;
- (2) Pwll Action Committee;
- (3) Pwll Carnival Fete & Gala.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.41 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 10 October, 2023 adopted by the Council.