

# Cyngor Gwledig LLANELLI Rural Council

*Clerc i'r Cyngor*  
**Mark Galbraith** A.C.I.S.  
*Clerk to the Council*

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*Gofynnwch am:*  
*Please ask for:*

5 Mawrth, 2025

Annwyl Gynghorydd

Gelwir amoch i gymryd rhan mewn Cyfarfod o'r **CYNGOR** a gynhelir yn Siambr y Cyngor, Adeiladau Vauxhall, Llanelli, a thrwy bresenoldeb o bell ar Ddydd Mawrth, 11 Mawrth, 2025, 6.00 y.h.

Yr eiddoch yn gywir

**CLERC y CYNGOR**

## AGENDA

1. Derbyn ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb.
2. Derbyn Datganiadau o Fudd Personol gan Aelodau o ran y materion sydd i'w trafod.
3. Cyfranogiad y Cyhoedd – cyfle i aelodau'r cyhoedd ofyn cwestiynau a chyflwyno sylwadau am unrhyw eitem o fusnes sydd i'w thrafod yn ystod cyfarfod heddiw ac sy'n agored i drafodaeth gyhoeddus. Mae eitemau busnes cyfrinachol wedi'u heithrio.
4. (1) Cadarnhau ac arwyddo'r Cofnodion canlynol fel cofnod cywir o'r cyfarfod:-

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(2) Ystyried unrhyw faterion sy'n codi o'r Cofnodion er gwybodaeth yn unig.

5. Ymrwymiad Hywel Dda – Uned Môn Anafiadau Ysbyty Tywysog Philip – yn dilyn Cofnod Rhif 199, derbyn gohebiaeth gan Fwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Hywel Dda yn gwahodd aelodau i fynychu cyfarfod ar-lein ynghylch y broses barhaus yn yr Uned Môn Anafiadau.
6. Cynrychiolwyr ar Gyrff a Sefydliadau Allanol – ymhellach i Gofnod Rhif 12, i ailystyried cynrychiolydd enwebedig y cyngor i wasanaethu ar y cyrff allanol canlynol:  
(1) Ysgol Brynteg  
(2) Friends of Llanelli Museum  
(3) Links
7. I dderbyn a chadarnhau'r, Cofnodion cyfarfod y Cyd Bwyllgor Claddu Ymgynghorol Llanelli a gynhaliwyd ar 26 Tachwedd, 2024.
8. Nodi er gwybodaeth amserlen o'r materion a nodwyd.
9. Nodi, er gwybodaeth, llythyr o ddiolch a dderbyniwyd gan y canlynol:-  
(1) Clwb Pêl-droed Rygbi Felinfoel;  
(2) Loud Applause Rising Stars;  
(3) Swiss Valley Community and Residents Association.



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5 March, 2025

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Dear Councillor

You are summoned to participate in a **COUNCIL** Meeting to be hosted at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Tuesday, 11 March, 2025 at 6.00 p.m.

Yours sincerely

**CLERK to the COUNCIL**

## AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence.
2. To receive Members' Declarations of Interest in respect of the business to be transacted.
3. Public Participation – an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions and make representations about any item of business to be transacted during today's meeting and which is open for public discussion. Confidential items of business are excluded.
4. (1) To confirm and sign the following Minutes as a true record of proceedings:-

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Special Meeting of the Recreation and Welfare Committee	3 March, 2025	Page Nos: 188 - 189
Planning and Liaison Committee	10 March, 2025	To be tabled



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(2) To consider any matters arising from the Minutes for information purposes only.

5. Hywel Dda Engagement – Prince Philip Hospital Minor Injury Unit – further to Minute No. 199, to receive correspondence from Hywel Dda University Health Board inviting members to attend an online meeting regarding the ongoing process at the Minor Injury Unit.
6. Representatives on Outside Bodies and Organisations – further to Minute No. 12, to reconsider the council's nominated representative to serve on the following outside bodies:
  - (1) Ysgol Brynteg
  - (2) Friends of Llanelli Museum
  - (3) Links
7. To receive and accept, Minutes of a meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Advisory Committee held on 26 November, 2024.
8. To note for information the schedule of matters reported.
9. To note for information, letters of appreciation received from the following:-
  - (1) Felinfoel Rugby Football Club;
  - (2) Loud Applause Rising Stars;
  - (3) Swiss Valley Community and Residents Association.

**Dawn Jones**

**Subject:** FW: Online meeting for councillors to update on potential options for the future Prince Philip Hospital Minor Injury Unit / Cyfarfod ar-lein i gynghorwyr i roi'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf am opsiynau posibl ar gyfer Uned Mân Anafiadau Ysbyty Tywysog Philip yn

**From:** Hywel Dda Engagement <[Hyweldda.Engagement@communications.wales.nhs.uk](mailto:Hyweldda.Engagement@communications.wales.nhs.uk)>

**Sent:** 26 February 2025 11:51

**To:** enquiries <[enquiries@llanelli-rural.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@llanelli-rural.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Online meeting for councillors to update on potential options for the future Prince Philip Hospital Minor Injury Unit / Cyfarfod ar-lein i gynghorwyr i roi'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf am opsiynau posibl ar gyfer Uned Mân Anafiadau Ysbyty Tywysog Philip yn ...

### Online meeting for councillors to update on potential options for the future Prince Philip Hospital Minor Injury Unit

Hywel Dda University Health Board is inviting county, town and community council members from the area served by Prince Philip Hospital to attend an online meeting to learn about the ongoing engagement process regarding the Minor Injury Unit (MIU) at the hospital.

The meeting will be on Tuesday 18 March 2025, from 6.30pm to 8.30pm and will provide an opportunity to hear about the potential options being considered for the future of the MIU service.

If you would like to attend the meeting, please email [Hyweldda.Engagement@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:Hyweldda.Engagement@wales.nhs.uk) by Wednesday 13 March. You will be sent the MS Teams link by Monday 17 March.

#### Background and Next Steps:

An ongoing engagement process started in early February to explore a sustainable long-term solution. Stakeholders, including community representatives, healthcare staff, campaign groups and partner organisations, are working together to review and score several potential options. The group's shortlisted options will be presented to the Board on Thursday 27 March 2025.

Discussions in the engagement sessions have focused on the options, recruitment and safety, as well as concerns about access to care for individuals without a car. The Board will not be deciding which option to take forward during its meeting in March; any final decision will be taken after a series of wider engagements. These will seek the wider communities' views on the proposed options, as well as provide the opportunity to put forward other ideas which they feel that the Board should consider.

The temporary change to Prince Philip Hospital's Minor Injury Unit (MIU) opening hours was introduced on 1 November 2024, changing the hours to 8:00am - 8:00pm daily. These changes were made to address safety concerns due to a shortage of GPs, and concerns raised by Healthcare Inspectorate Wales.

Regards  
Hywel Dda University Health Board

Cyfarfod ar-lein i gynghorwyr i roi'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf am opsiynau posibl ar gyfer Uned Mân Anafiadau Ysbyty Tywysog Philip yn y dyfodol

Mae Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Hywel Dda yn gwahodd aelodau cynghorau sir, tref a chymuned o'r ardal a wasanaethir gan Ysbyty Tywysog Philip i fynychu cyfarfod ar-lein i ddyngu am y broses ymgysylltu barhaus ynghylch yr Uned Mân Anafiadau (MIU) yn yr ysbyty.

Cynhelir y cyfarfod ar ddydd Mawrth 18 Mawrth 2025, rhwng 6.30pm ac 8.30pm a bydd yn gyfle i glywed am yr opsiynau posibl sy'n cael eu hystyried ar gyfer dyfodol y gwasanaeth UMA.

Os hoffech fynychu'r cyfarfod, e-bostiwch [ymgysylltu@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:ymgysylltu@wales.nhs.uk) erbyn dydd Mercher 13 Mawrth. Anfonir dolen MS Teams atoch erbyn dydd Llun 17 Mawrth.

#### **Cefndir a'r Camau Nesaf:**

Dechreuodd proses ymgysylltu barhaus ddechrau mis Chwefror i archwilio ateb hirdymor cynaliadwy. Mae rhanddeiliaid, gan gynnwys cynrychiolwyr cymunedol, staff gofal iechyd, grwpiau ymgyrchu a sefydliadau partner, yn cydweithio i adolygu a sgorio nifer o opsiynau posibl. Bydd opsiynau'r grŵp ar y rhestr fer yn cael eu cyflwyno i'r Bwrdd ddydd Iau 27 Mawrth 2025.

Mae trafodaethau yn y sesiynau ymgysylltu wedi canolbwyntio ar yr opsiynau, recriwtio a diogelwch, yn ogystal â phryderon ynghylch mynediad at ofal i unigolion heb gar. Ni fydd y Bwrdd yn penderfynu pa opsiwn i'w symud ymlaen yn ystod ei gyfarfod ym mis Mawrth; bydd unrhyw benderfyniad terfynol yn cael ei wneud ar ôl cyfres o ymrwymïadau ehangach. Bydd y rhain yn ceisio barn y cymunedau ehangach ar yr opsiynau arfaethedig, yn ogystal â rhoi'r cyfle i gyflwyno syniadau eraill y maent yn teimlo y dylai'r Bwrdd eu hystyried.

Cyflwynwyd y newid dros dro i oriau agor Uned Mân Anafiadau (MIU) Ysbyty Tywysog Philip ar 1 Tachwedd 2024, gan newid yr oriau i 8:00am - 8:00pm bob dydd. Gwnaed y newidiadau hyn i fynd i'r afael â phryderon diogelwch oherwydd prinder meddygon teulu a phryderon a godwyd gan Arolygiaeth Gofal Iechyd Cymru.

Cofion  
Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Hywel Dda

Dawn Jones

Subject: FW: Ysgol Bryn Teg

Importance: High

From: Tanja Neumayer-James [mailto:TNeumayer-James@car-marthenshire.gov.uk]

Sent: 06 February 2025 12:04

To: Dawn Jones &lt;Dawn.Jones@Llanelli-Rural.gov.uk&gt;

Cc: Bryn Teg - Janine West &lt;JANINE.WEST@brynteg.ysgolccc.cymru&gt;

Subject: Ysgol Bryn Teg

Importance: High

LLANELLI RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL	
DATE	10 FEB 2025
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Bore da / Good morning,

**ENWEBU CYNRYCHIOLYDD CYNGOR GWLEDIG**

Mae lle gwag ar gyfer Llywodraethwr Cymunedol Ychwanegol ar Gorff Llywodraethol Ysgol Bryn Teg. Mae'r Cyng. Hart wedi cael ei anghymhwyso am fethu â mynychu cyfarfodydd y Corff Llywodraethol.

Felly gofynnaf i'ch Cyngor ystyried enwebu cynrychiolydd. Dim ond drwy enwebiad gan y Cyngor Gwledig y gellir llenwi'r swydd, ond nid oes angen i'r enwebai fod yn gynghorydd. Bydd y penodiad i'r rôl yn cael ei wneud gan y Corff Llywodraethol.

Mae rôl y llywodraethwr yn rôl weithredol, h.y. disgwylir i bob llywodraethwr fynychu a chyfrannu at gyfarfodydd. Rhaid i lywodraethwyr newydd fynychu hyfforddiant gorfodol o fewn 12 mis i'w penodiad.

Byddwch gystal ag anfon yr enw, y cyfeiriad, epost a'r rhif ffôn eich cynrychiolydd, ynghyd â pharagraff byr yn amlinellu eu gwybodaeth, eu sgiliau a/neu eu cefndir a fyddai o fudd i'r Corff Llywodraethol hwn, ata i erbyn 14/03/2025.

**NOMINATION OF RURAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE**

*There is a vacancy for an Additional Community Governor on the Governing Body of Ysgol Bryn Teg. Cllr. Hart has been disqualified for failure to attend GB meetings.*

*It is therefore necessary for your Council to consider nominating a representative. The vacancy can only be filled through nomination from the Rural Council, but the nominee does not need to be a councillor. The appointment to the role will be made by the Governing Body.*

*The governor role is an active role, i.e. all governors are expected to attend and contribute to meetings. New governors must attend mandatory training within 12 months of their appointment.*

*Please forward the name, address, email and daytime telephone number of your representative, together with a short paragraph outlining their knowledge, skills and/or background that would be of benefit to this Governing Body, to me by 14/03/2025.*

Cofion / Regards,

Tanja Neumayer-James

Pen Swyddog Llywodraethu Ysgolion | Principal School Governance Officer  
Gwasanaethau Addysg a Chynhwysiad | Education and Inclusion Services

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Mae croeso i chi gysylltu â ni yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

You are welcome to contact us in Welsh or English.





26 November 2024

**LLANELLI JOINT BURIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Minute Nos. 16 - 23**

At the **Special Meeting** of the **Llanelli Joint Burial Advisory Committee** held at Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Tuesday, 26 November 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. A. J. Rogers (Vice-Chairman (in the Chair))

**Cllrs.**

D. L. Darkin  
T. M. Donoghue  
N. Evans

S. N. Lewis  
J. S. Phillips  
B. A. L. Roberts

J. Williams

Together with Mr A. Davies (Town Clerk)

**16. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies for absence were received.

**17. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**18. MINUTES**

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

Ordinary Meeting - 11 September 2024

**19. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT**

**RECOMMENDED** that the income and expenditure report up to 30 September 2024 be noted.

26 November 2024

**20. BUDGET MEETING**

The Secretary informed members that a special meeting would be held on Wednesday, 22 January 2025, at 4.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli and via remote attendance in order to recommend a budget for the ensuing year.

**RESOLVED** that the information be noted.

*Cllr. D. L. Darkin joined the meeting.*

**21. DRAFT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ESTIMATES**

Members considered the rate of interest to be applied to the draft income and expenditure estimates in support of the preparation of the forthcoming 2025-2026 budget.

**RECOMMENDED** that an interest rate of 2.3% be applied to the draft income and expenditure estimates.

**22. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT, 1960**

**RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the following matter 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.

**23. LLANELLI CREMATORIUM - ANNUAL RENT REVIEW**

Members considered the Secretary's report informing of the impending annual rent review, which confirmed the amount of rent payable by the Westerleigh Group Ltd with effect from 1 December 2024.

**RECOMMENDED** that the rent for the ensuing year be confirmed as £44,898 and that the Westerleigh Group Ltd be notified accordingly.

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The meeting concluded at 4.08pm  
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Schedule of reported matters by Members

Item No.	Date	Raised by	Description	Action	Matters Resolved/Outcome
1.	03.02.2025	Cllr. A. J. Rogers	Light not working by the bowls pavilion at Dafen Park. Details and photo sent.	CCC	

# FELINFOEL RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Affiliated to the:  
Welsh Rugby Union  
West Wales Rugby Union  
Llanelli & District Youth Rugby Union  
Llanelli & District Junior Rugby Union  
Llanelli & District Rugby Union



President: H. OWEN Esq, MBE  
Patron: I. OWEN Esq  
Patron: R FOURACRE Esq

ITEM 9(1)

HEADQUARTERS:  
The Club, Felinfoel, Penygaer  
Dafen Road, Felinfoel  
Telephone: 01554 771111

22<sup>nd</sup> February 2025

LLANELLI RUWAB COMMUNITY COUNCIL	
DATE	28 FEB 2025
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Dear Nysia and Eve

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the very generous and kind contribution of £75.00 you made towards Felinfoel Rugby Club as a Local Ward Donation. This money will now be used to support rugby from under 7's to seniors.

We look forward to your continued support and attendance at our games.

Yours Thankfully

Secretary Felinfoel R.F.C.

[www.Felinfoelrfc.mywru.co.uk](http://www.Felinfoelrfc.mywru.co.uk)

Chairman

Secretary

Treasurer

Fixture Secretary

**Carol Lloyd**

**From:** Owens, Cerith <Cerith.Owens@jacobs.com>  
**Sent:** 21 February 2025 14:45  
**To:** To:  
**Cc:** Carol Lloyd; LARS Admin; 'Finance'  
**Subject:** LOUD APPLAUSE RISING STARS CONTRIBUTION  
**Attachments:** img20250221\_14355591.pdf

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Dear Cllrs Cundy and Donoghue,

On behalf of LARS, I sincerely thank you for your generous financial contribution to our work in nurturing young, talented singers.

Tomorrow is an exciting day for us as we hold auditions for new members—the first in two years! With some of our current members soon graduating from music colleges, we now have the capacity to welcome fresh talent and support them on their musical journey.

We hope to see you at our upcoming events!

Diolch unwaith eto.

Regards  
 Cerith

Cerith Owens  
 Chairman  
 LARS (Loud Applause Rising Stars)

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**Kathryn Howells**

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**From:**  
**Sent:** 22 February 2025 11:58  
**To:** enquiries  
**Subject:** FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - LOCAL WARD DONATION

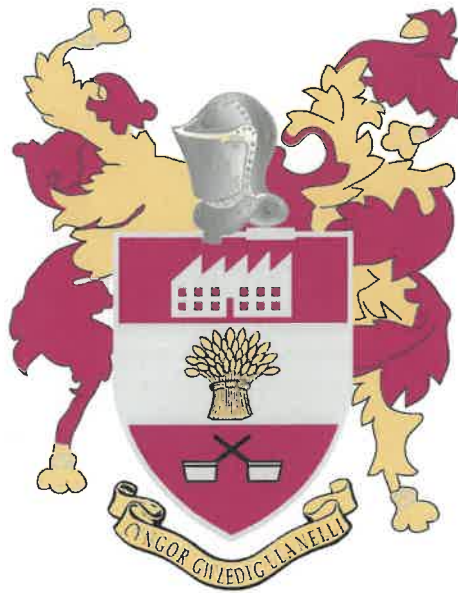
Dear Mr Galbraith - I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 17th February 2025, titled as above.  
On behalf of SVCRA I thank Cllrs. Morgan and Bowen for their ongoing support and can assure you that the generous contribution made will be used for the benefit of the Swiss Valley community.

Yours sincerely

Hon. Sec. Swiss Valley Community and Residents Association (SVCRA)

LLANELLI RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL	
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# LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL



## MINUTES

# **LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES**

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### ***PLANNING AND LIAISON COMMITTEE***

*10 March, 2025*

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*To be tabled*

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***Mark Galbraith  
Clerk to the Council***

***Vauxhall Buildings  
Llanelli***



11 February, 2025

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 331 – 336**

At a Special 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, 11 February, 2025 at 4.45 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. D. M. Cundy (Chairman)

**Cllrs.**

M. V. Davies	A. G. Morgan
T. M. Donoghue	J. S. Phillips
A. Evans	A. J. Rogers
E. M. Evans	W. E. Skinner
S. N. Lewis	A. G. Stephens
O. Williams	

**331. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. J. P. Hart (Cllr. A. Evans deputising).

**332. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**333. 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.

**334. FIVE ROADS RECREATION GROUND  
PLAY AREA**

Members considered correspondence and a representation from Cllr. A. Evans in regard to renewing the play area in Five Roads Recreation Ground. Cllr Evans felt the play area was unsafe and expressed safety concerns over the condition of the safety mat flooring and some of the play equipment. Cllr Evans reported that a young child recently suffered an accident having slipped and fallen from the multi-play apparatus and so requested the council set aside a budget contribution of £40,000 to be used as match funding towards the provision of a new play area.

**11 February, 2025**

By way of reply the Facilities Manager informed members that at the last risk assessment survey performed by an independent playground inspector, the play area ranked as low risk. Moreover, a further independent risk assessment survey was being carried out on all the council's play areas and the reports were expected soon.

Members were sympathetic towards the request but stated ultimately, any action to upgrade the play area would be predicated on the level of risk. Managing risk influenced and prioritised the council's spending decisions. Given the current risk rating of the play area was low risk, identifying new capital funds in the current or forthcoming budget could not be justified. However, should circumstances significantly change then the matter would be reviewed accordingly, and it was

**RESOLVED** that the funding request be refused at this particular point in time but in terms of future action the matter be generally assessed once again alongside other play areas following the receipt of the next set of play inspection reports to be considered by the committee.

**335. DAFEN PARK – GROUND DRAINAGE SCHEME**

Further to Minute No. 185(2), members considered a cost estimate to the value of £96,725.00 plus VAT for potential drainage works at the cricket outfield, Dafen Park.

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the cost estimate be noted for the time being.

**336. DRAFT ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR 2025/26**

Members were presented with a preliminary report on draft estimates of income and expenditure for the committee for 2025/26, and it was

**RESOLVED** that:

- (1) The list of budget virements for the financial year 2024/25 be noted and approved.
- (2) The schedule of works planned for 2025/26 be accepted subject to the cost savings identified during the meeting being omitted from the draft estimates of income and expenditure to be subsequently considered by the council.
- (3) The remaining list of expenditure items annotated in the report be included within the committee's draft estimates of income and expenditure for 2025/26 and approved for council consideration.
- (4) To await the special meeting of the council to discuss the same.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.01 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 11 March, 2025 adopted by the Council.

**11 February, 2025**

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 337 – 343**

At the **COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Tuesday, 11 February, 2025, at 6.15 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. M. V. Davies (Chairman)

**Cllrs.**

S. R. Bowen	R. E. Evans
D. M. Cundy	S. N. Lewis
S. L. Davies	A. G. Morgan
T. M. Donoghue	J. S. Phillips
A. Evans	A. J. Rogers
E. M. Evans	W. E. Skinner
N. Evans	A. G. Stephens
O. Williams	

**Absent:** S. M. T. Ford, S. K. Nurse

**337. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. J. P. Hart.

**338. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**339. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation in the proceedings.

**340. 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  
Policy and Resources Committee  
Recreation and Welfare Committee

14 January, 2025  
15 January, 2025  
21 January, 2025

11 February, 2025

Planning and Liaison Committee	27 January, 2025
Finance and General Purposes Committee	29 January, 2025
Learning and Development Consultative Committee	30 January, 2025
Civic and Ceremonial Committee	3 February, 2025
Special Meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee	3 February, 2025

**341. BUDGET PREPARATIONS 2025/26**

Cllr. S. L. Davies put forward the following notice of motion for consideration:

*“Given the ongoing cost-of-living crisis, it is essential that this Council exercises responsible financial management by prioritising core services and reducing non-essential spending.*

*The Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales did not mandate or recommend that Community Councils introduce attendance payments; it simply allowed them the discretion to do so, up to a maximum of £30 per meeting.*

*While this administration chose a £15 per meeting payment rather than the £30 adopted by Llanelli Town Council the current financial pressures make it necessary to identify savings and limit any further increases to the precept.*

*For decades, the role of a Llanelli Rural Councillor was understood to be voluntary. In recognition of the financial difficulties facing our community, this motion proposes a return to this principle by removing the £15 per meeting attendance payment.”*

During discussion of the motion it was highlighted that the attendance allowance payment was a discretionary payment which individual members did not have to claim. Moreover, under the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales’ remuneration framework for community and town councils, members could elect to decline to receive, part or all of the payments contained in the remuneration framework if they so wished. There then followed a recorded vote on the motion and the names of the members and how they voted was recorded as follows:

<i>For:</i>	<i>Against:</i>	<i>Abstained:</i>
M. V. Davies	S. R. Bowen	A. G. Stephens
S. L. Davies	D. M. Cundy	
A. Evans	T. M. Donoghue	
O. Williams	E. M. Evans	
	N. Evans	
	R. E. Evans	
	S. N. Lewis	
	A. G. Morgan	
	J. S. Phillips	
	A. J. Rogers	
	W. E. Skinner	

**RESOLVED** that the motion to remove the discretionary allowance payment be declined.

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**342. LLANELLI UNITES - CONFERENCE REPORT**

Members received correspondence from the Chair, Llanelli Unites enclosing a report from a recently held conference together with a request for a formal meeting with the council.

The report summarised the outcome from the 'Healing the Divide' conference held in Llanelli in November 2024. The conference was organised by Llanelli Unites, a voluntary group committed to promoting and celebrating the multicultural and diverse communities of Llanelli.

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the report and meeting request be noted.

**343. MATTERS REPORTED**

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

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The Meeting concluded at 6.37 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 11 March, 2025 adopted by the Council.

19 February, 2025

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 344 – 348**

At a Meeting of the **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Wednesday, 19 February, 2025 at 4.45 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. R. E. Evans (Chairman)

**Cllrs.**

S. R. Bowen	N. Evans
D. M. Cundy	S. N. Lewis
M. V. Davies	W. E. Skinner
A. Evans	A. G. Stephens

**Absent:** S. M. T. Ford, J. P. Hart

**344. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies for absence were received.

**345. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**346. DEPOSIT RETURN SCHEME (DRS)  
FOOD AND DRINK FEDERATION CYMRU**

Members received correspondence from the Head of Food and Drink Federation Cymru informing of the impact on littering in Wales following the Welsh Government's decision to withdraw from the UK wide Deposit Return Scheme (DRS) in November 2024.

DRS was an environmental policy where consumers pay a deposit when purchasing a drink in a container, such as a plastic bottle or metal can. The deposit was then fully refunded to the consumer when the container was returned to a collection point for recycling. The primary goal for DRS was to increase recycling rates, promote a circular economy and to reduce litter.

The writer stated that the Welsh Government decision to step away from DRS was a surprise and disappointing and the Federation and other stakeholders had communicated this to Welsh Government. The writer also remarked that the announcement to step away increased uncertainty for the scheme due to be implemented in 2027 and enquired whether the council had any views on the decision.

19 February, 2025

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the correspondence be noted.

**347. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT, 1960**

**RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the following matter 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.

**348. STAFFING MATTERS**

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

**RESOLVED** that the report referenced 02:2025 be accepted.

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The meeting concluded at 4.53 p.m.

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26 February, 2025

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 349 – 353**

At a Meeting of the **FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Wednesday, 26 February, 2025 at 4.45 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. A. G. Morgan (Chairman)

**Cllrs.**

S. L. Davies	R. E. Evans
A. Evans	S. N. Lewis
N. Evans	S. J. Phillips

**Absent:** S. K. Nurse

**349. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. M. V. Davies and T. M. Donoghue.

**350. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**351. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**RESOLVED** that the committee income and expenditure reports for the Administration Department, Burial Services and the Training Department to 31 December, 2024 be noted.

**352. SCHEDULES OF PAYMENTS**

Consideration was given to the schedules of payments for the Administration Department, Burial Services and the Training Department for December 2024 (copies of which had been previously circulated) which revealed that the expenditure amounted to £458,907.15; £41,053.63 and £129,368.74 respectively.

**RESOLVED** that the reports be noted.



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**353. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

Consideration was given to applications received for financial assistances and it was

**RESOLVED** that:

1. Cancer Information and Support Services Ltd – that the application be noted;
2. Fforwm Pontiets Forum – Pontyates Local History Group – that the application be referred to local ward members;
3. Llanelli Autism Mams Association – that the application be noted;
4. Radio BGM – that a contribution of £100 be made;
5. Radio Glangwili– that the application be noted;
6. Llanelli Deaf Club– that a contribution of £100 be made;
7. The SOSPPAN campaign – that a contribution of £300 be made;
8. Urdd Gobaith Cymru – that a contribution of £100 be made;
9. Wales Air Ambulance Charity - that a contribution of £100 be made;
10. Ysgol Gynradd Pontiets PTA – that the application be referred to local ward members.

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The meeting concluded at 4.59 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 11 March, 2025, adopted by the Council.

**26 February, 2025**

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 354 – 360**

At a **SPECIAL COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council hosted at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Wednesday, 26 February, 2025 at 6.00 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. S. N. Lewis (Vice Chairman (in the chair))

**Cllrs.**

S. R. Bowen	R. E. Evans
D. M. Cundy	J. Lovell
S. L. Davies	A. G. Morgan
T. M. Donoghue	J. S. Phillips
A. Evans	A. J. Rogers
E. M. Evans	W. E. Skinner
N. Evans	A. G. Stephens

**Absent:** S. M. T. Ford, J. P. Hart, S. K. Nurse, O. Williams

**354. CASUAL VACANCY - HENGOED WARD**

Further to Minute No. 293 the Chairman welcomed Cllr. J. Lovell to his first council meeting following his election to the council on 20 February, 2025.

**355. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. M. V. Davies.

**356. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**357. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation in the proceedings.

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**358. NOTICE OF VACANCY – DAFEN WARD**

Members received correspondence from the Electoral Services Officer, Carmarthenshire County Council informing of the statutory request from ten electors requesting that the casual vacancy in the Dafen Ward be filled by election.

The Notice of Election would be published on 20 February, 2025, and if contested the election would be held on 27 March, 2025.

The Officer enquired if the council would like to issue poll cards in the event that the election was contested. There was no statutory requirement for poll cards to be issued and so they would only be issued at the request of the council. The estimated cost of providing poll cards for the election in Dafen ward was £3123.65.

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the information be noted and that poll cards be issued to residents in the event of the election being contested.

**359. ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2025/26**

Members were presented with a report on the estimates of income and expenditure for 2025/26.

The report presented four possible options for setting the council tax precept for the next financial year ranging from the greatest impact on the precept (option 1) to the least impact on the precept (option 4). Following discussion of the report a recorded vote was requested to accept 'Option 4', to provide for an increase in the budget with the 'Band D' property charge being increased to £157.71. This represented a 'Band D' increase of 39 pence per week per household. The reduction in the precept demand would be accommodated by utilising a combination of general reserves (£107,018) and the Hengoed Ward capital budget (£100,000) to offset expenditure. The proposal was lost by eleven member votes against to four member votes in favour of this option.

Accordingly, the names of the members who voted on the matter so as to show whether they voted for or against the proposal was recorded as follows:

Option 4

*For*

S. L. Davies  
A. Evans  
J. Lovell  
A. G. Stephens

*Against*

S. R. Bowen  
D. M. Cundy  
T. M. Donoghue  
E. M. Evans  
N. Evans  
R. E. Evans  
S. N. Lewis  
A. G. Morgan  
J. S. Phillips

*Abstained*

None

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A. J. Rogers  
W. E. Skinner

Members then proceeded to vote upon the proposal to accept 'Option 1', to provide for an increase in the budget with the 'Band D' property charge being increased to £181.69 for 2025/26. This represented a 'Band D' increase of 85 pence per week per household. This was carried by eleven member votes in favour to four member votes against this option, with the voting pattern of those voting in favour or against conversely reflecting the pattern of voting recorded when considering the proposal to accept 'Option 4'.

Accordingly, the names of the members who voted on the matter so as to show whether they voted for or against the course of action as annotated in the resolution set out below was recorded as follows:

Option 1

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstained</i>
S. R. Bowen	S. L. Davies	None
D. M. Cundy	A. Evans	
T. M. Donoghue	J. Lovell	
E. M. Evans	A. G. Stephens	
N. Evans		
R. E. Evans		
S. N. Lewis		
A. G. Morgan		
J. S. Phillips		
A. J. Rogers		
W. E. Skinner		

**RESOLVED** that the Council Tax yield of £1,568,454 be levied for the financial year 2025/26 reflecting a 'Band D' charge of £181.69.

**360. ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2025/26**

Members considered the council's Annual Investment Strategy prepared in accordance with the statutory guidance as it is applied in Wales and it was

**RESOLVED** that the investment strategy be received and accepted.

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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 11 March, 2025 adopted by the Council.

**3 March, 2025**

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 361 – 363**

At a Special 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 Monday, 3 March, 2025 at 4.45 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr. D. M. Cundy (Chairman)

**Cllrs.**

T. M. Donoghue	J. S. Phillips
A. Evans	A. J. Rogers
S. N. Lewis	W. E. Skinner
A. G. Morgan	A. G. Stephens

**Absent:** M. V. Davies, E. M. Evans, J. P. Hart

**361. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. O. Williams (Cllr. A. Evans deputising).

**362. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**363. UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES 2**

Members received guidance notes from Carmarthenshire County Council for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund Sustainable Communities 2 to enable members to nominate projects for council led grant applications.

The Community Development Officer informed members that there was £1.7 million available in the Sustainable Communities Fund which would support a range of capital and revenue activities targeting the wellbeing of local communities in a number of areas from access to services, sports and leisure facilities, local culture and heritage through to addressing fuel poverty and climate change.

The grant threshold was between £10,000 to £150,000 to deliver capital and revenue projects. Grant applications would need to be submitted by 17 March, 2025, and if successful, projects would need to be delivered by 31 January, 2026.

**3 March, 2025**

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the council submits two grant applications to the Sustainable Communities 2 Fund as follows:

1. Internal furnishings for Canolfan Llwynhendy.
2. New play equipment for Five Roads Recreation Ground play area.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.01 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 11 March, 2025 adopted by the Council.