

11 March, 2025

LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 371 – 380

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 March, 2025, at 6.00 p.m.

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

Cllrs.

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

Absent: A. Evans, S. M. T. Ford, S. K. Nurse, O. Williams

371. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The Chairman welcomed Cllr. J. Lovell to his first council meeting in the council chamber following his recent election to the council representing the Hengoed Ward.

372. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. S. L. Davies and J. P. Hart.

373. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

374. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation in the proceedings.

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375. 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:

Special Meeting of the Recreation and Welfare Committee	11 February, 2025
Council	11 February, 2025
Policy and Resources Committee	19 February, 2025
Finance and General Purposes Committee	26 February, 2025
Special Council	26 February, 2025
Special Meeting of the Recreation and Welfare Committee	3 March, 2025
Planning and Liaison Committee	10 March, 2025

**376. HYWEL DDA ENGAGEMENT
PRINCE PHILIP HOSPITAL MINOR INJURY UNIT**

Further to Minute No. 199, members received correspondence from the Hywel Dda University Health Board informing of an online meeting, specifically arranged for community and town councillors, regarding the ongoing process at the Minor Injury Unit (MIU) at Prince Philip Hospital.

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

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that for those members interested in attending the event, they should contact Hywel Dda University Health Board direct to confirm their email addresses in order to gain access and to participate in the remote meeting.

377. REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES AND ORGANISATIONS

Further to Minute No. 12, members considered making fresh nominations to the following outside bodies:

(1) YSGOL BRYNTEG

Correspondence was received from the Principal School Governance Officer, Carmarthenshire County Council, informing of the Notice of Vacancy for an Additional Community Governor on the Governing Body of Ysgol Bryn Teg.

It was therefore necessary for the council to consider nominating a representative with the nominated governor attending a mandatory training within 12 months of their appointment.

Following discussion, it was

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RESOLVED that Cllr. A. G. Stephens be nominated as the council's representative for the Additional Community Governor on the Governing Body of Ysgol Bryn Teg.

(2) FRIENDS OF LLANELLI MUSEUM

RESOLVED that Cllr. J. Lovell be nominated to represent the council on the Friends of Llanelli Museum.

(3) LINKS

RESOLVED that Cllr. R. E. Evans be nominated to represent the council on Links.

378. LLANELLI JOINT BURIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members received the following Minutes of a meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Advisory Committee held on 26 November, 2024:

“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.

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19. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

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

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

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379. MATTERS REPORTED

RESOLVED that the schedule of matters reported be noted.

380. LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

RESOLVED that letters of appreciation for the council's assistance, received from the following organisation be noted with thanks:

- (1) Felinfoel Rugby Football Club;
- (2) Loud Applause Rising Stars;
- (3) Swiss Valley Community and Residents Association.

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The Meeting concluded at 6.16 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 8 April, 2025 adopted by the Council.