

**15 July, 2025**

**LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL**

**Minute Nos: 92 – 101**

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 July, 2025 at 4.45 p.m.

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

**Cllrs.**

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

**Absent:** J. P. Hart

**92. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. E. M. Evans (Cllr. R. E. Evans deputising) and O. Williams (Cllr. A. Evans deputising).

**93. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**94. COMMUNITY FACILITIES – MAINTENANCE WORKS**

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

**95. CANOLFAN LLWYNHENDY**

**(1) RECREATION & WELFARE SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Members received the following minutes of the Recreation and Welfare Sub-Committee held on 4 May, 2023:

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“At a meeting of the RECREATION AND WELFARE SUB-COMMITTEE of Llanelli Rural Council, at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Monday, 7 July, 2025 at 4.45 p.m.

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

Cllrs.

S. L. Davies

A. J. Rogers

S. N. Lewis

A. G. Stephens

Absent : J. P. Hart, S. K. Nurse

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following members declared an interest in the following matters:

<i>Minute No.</i>	<i>Councillor</i>	<i>Interest</i>
4(2)	D. M. Cundy	Personal and Prejudicial – the applicant for Tiny Tots Town was a relative.
4(1)	A. G. Stephens	Personal interest – Trustee and Treasurer, Pro-Vision Llwynhendy.
4(2)	A. G. Stephens	Personal interest – the applicant for Tiny Tots Town was a distant relative.

3. 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.

4. CANOLFAN LLWYNHENDY  
(1) VENUE HIRE CHARGES

*Cllr. A. G. Stephens declared a personal interest in the following item as he was the Trustee and Treasurer, Pro-Vision Llwynhendy.*

Members considered a schedule of venue hire charges for the main hall and side rooms at Canolfan Llwynhendy.

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Members suggested the hire charge for the main hall would be £10.00 per hour for non-commercial use, £15.00 per hour for commercial use and £5.00 per hour for the side rooms. Cllr. S. L. Davies requested a recorded vote on the hire costs and it was recorded as follows:

<i>For:</i>	<i>Against:</i>	<i>Abstained:</i>
D. M. Cundy	S. L. Davies	None
S. N. Lewis		
A. J. Rogers		
A. G. Stephens		

RESOLVED that:

1. The hire charge for the main hall would be £10.00 per hour for non-commercial use, £15.00 per hour for commercial use.
2. Hire charge for the three smaller meeting rooms shall be £5.00 per hour standard rate.
3. Hire charges shall be reviewed on 1 January, 2026.

*Cllr. A. J. Rogers (Vice Chairman) chaired the meeting following Cllr. Cundy's temporary withdrawal from the proceedings during discussion of item 4(2). Upon Cllr. Cundy's return to the meeting he resumed his role of chairing the meeting.*

## (2) CAFÉ LICENCE

*Cllr. D. M. Cundy declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the following item as the applicant for Tiny Tots Town was a relative and left the meeting before discussion commenced. Cllr. A. G. Stephens declared a personal interest in the following item as the applicant for Tiny Tots Town was a distant relative.*

The Community Development Officer informed members of two licence applications that had been received to operate the café facility at Canolfan Llwynhendy, it was

RESOLVED that the application received from Ms G. Hilde and Ms S. Davies, Tiny Tots Town be accepted as the council's preferred application for the operation of the café catering concession and that a licence agreement be drawn up between respective parties based upon the terms specified in the recent independent market valuation report commissioned with Mallard Estate Agents.

*Cllr. D. M. Cundy re-joined the meeting.*

## (3) SIGN DESIGN

Further to Minute No. 27, the Community Development Officer informed members of the recent public consultation that had been undertaken to garner suggestions for the new design logo for Canolfan Llwynhendy.

Following discussion, it was

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**RESOLVED** that the most popular design namely option three be selected as the preferred choice for the production of signage and the logo at Canolfan Llwynhendy.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.48 p.m.  
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**RESOLVED** that the Minutes be received and accepted.

## **(2) PARC Y GWILI – ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

The Community Development Officer informed members of the recent anti social behaviour taking place at the council’s newly installed play area at Parc Y Gwili.

Members remarked the costs of having to make repairs to new equipment was not sustainable for the council in the longer term and they were keen to find a solution to the problem and concurred that something needed to be done to address this issue.

The Community Development Officer informed members that he had been liaising with the youth worker for the area and was keen to continue the relationship with Carmarthenshire Youth to tackle the problem and introduce a youth club to the area once Canolfan Llwynhendy was up and running. Members felt the youth should take ownership for the park and this may deter anti social behaviour and vandalism to the new play equipment.

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the concerns raised be noted and that the matter shall be reviewed and reported to council on Tuesday, 9 September, 2025. In the meantime, the Community Development Officer shall engage with youth workers for the area to help combat the problem, and with the neighbourhood policing teams and PCSO’s for the area.

## **(3) OFFICIAL OPENING**

The Deputy Clerk informed members that the official opening would take place during September/October 2025 with Welsh Government Ministers and stakeholders being invited to the event.

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that the official opening of Canolfan Llwynhendy take place during September/October 2025 once the availability of Welsh Government Ministers was known.

## **96. FIVE ROADS RECREATION GROUND**

Members received correspondence from a local resident regarding the damage to his property from cricket balls being used at Five Roads Recreation Ground when cricket matches were being played.

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Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that officers seek advice from the council's health and safety advisory service for appropriate advice and guidance on how best to proceed and report back to a future meeting of the Recreation and Welfare Committee. In the meantime, officers and local members would continue to liaise with all parties to achieve an appropriate solution.

**97. PONTHENRI RECREATION GROUND –  
PONTHENRI AFC**

Members considered correspondence from the Secretary, Ponthenri AFC seeking the council's permission to use the changing rooms facility and grounds at Ponthenri Recreation Ground for their newly formed football club.

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that permission be granted to the newly formed Ponthenri AFC to use the council's changing room facility and grounds at Ponthenri Recreation Ground.

**98. PHIL BENNET OBE RESOURCE CENTRE -  
TOILET PROVISION**

The Facilities Manager informed members of the design proposal to alter the foyer area to create space for toilet facilities at the Phil Bennet OBE Resource Centre.

At weekends, the entrance foyer was closed to the public and this prevented the public from using the ground floor toilet when spectating sports matches. It was proposed to alter the layout to the foyer and create a space for toilet facilities whilst keeping the building secure to the public.

The Facilities Manager informed members that the design had been submitted to Building Control, Carmarthenshire County Council and he was waiting for confirmation that the design would be accepted. Once confirmation had been received from Carmarthenshire County Council, invitations would be forwarded to local companies for quotations to carry out the necessary works and, it was

**RESOLVED** that the design proposal be accepted and to await further developments.

**99. SWISS VALLEY RESERVOIR**

Further to Minute No. 29 (21 May, 2024 refers), members received correspondence from the National Forest of Wales on Swiss Valley reservoir becoming part of the Forest for Wales network.

Following discussion whereby members welcomed the news, it was,

**RESOLVED** that the information be noted.

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**100. 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.

**101. FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT  
(1) SARON COMMUNITY HALL – 31 DECEMBER, 2024**

Members were circulated with the Statement of Accounts received from the above hall management committee.

**RESOLVED** that the annual grant of £400 be made to Saron Community Hall for the year ending 31 December, 2024.

Arising out of discussion of the above, Cllr. R. E. Evans on behalf of Cllrs. E. M. Evans and N. Evans enquired when the Financial Summary Reports would be received from Felinfoel Resource Centre Management Committee.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the matter would be addressed when the Recreation and Welfare Sub-Committee, supported by ward councillors meet to discuss making recommendations and where appropriate for overseeing any changes to the council's current community facilities management model.

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The Meeting concluded at 5.49 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 9 September, 2025 adopted by the Council.