

17 February, 2026

LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 354 – 358

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, 17 February, 2026 at 4.45 p.m.

Present: Cllr. D. M. Cundy

Cllrs.

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

Absent: J. P. Hart

354. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. T. M. Donoghue (Cllr. N. Evans deputising), A. J. Rogers and O. Williams.

355. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. A. J. Stephens declared a personal interest in Minute No. 358, as he was a Trustee and Treasurer, Pro-vision, Llwynhendy.

356. COMMUNITY FACILITIES – MAINTENANCE WORKS

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

357. 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.

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**358. CANOLFAN LLWYNHENDY
HIRE CHARGES**

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

Further to Minute No. 95, members considered the report of the Community Buildings Manager on recommendations to review room hire costs at Canolfan Llwynhendy. An adjustment was necessary to ensure financial sustainability, maintain service quality and align pricing with comparable facilities in this and neighbouring regions.

Following an operating period of 12 weeks at Canolfan Llwynhendy there had been a consistent take up in the hire of the meeting rooms by community groups and corporate customers. Enquiries were also being received from commercial enterprises to hire the facility on evenings and weekends. The centre had been impacted by the delay of the Café concession and its associated lease income. Whilst wishing to maintain a balance between community and commercial use, a review of current hire charges was advisable to remain sustainable.

Members were informed that for financial stability, increased hire costs would reduce reliance on external funding and prevent future deficits. Additional revenue would allow for ongoing maintenance and increase quality of service through upgrades to access and booking systems and improved amenities. While hire costs would rise, concessions for non-profit and community groups would remain, ensuring inclusivity.

Members then proceeded to consider cost comparisons with other similar facilities along with proposed costs for the Canolfan predicated on the cost comparisons referenced in the report.

Following full discussion, it was

RESOLVED that:

1. The concessions identified for community and non-profit groups be noted.
2. The revised pricing structure at Canolfan Llwynhendy shall be further reviewed when the café was established at the centre with annual pricing reviews built in thereafter to ensure alignment with operational costs and community needs.
3. The suggested room hire costs which included VAT be approved as follows:

Room	Standard/Corporate per hour	Community per hour	Standard Evening/Weekend
Main Hall	£24.00	£15.00	£27.00
Large Meeting Room	£18.00	£12.00	£21.00
Small Meeting Room	£12.00	£9.00	£15.00
Hot Desk/Office	£9.00	Free	N.A

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The Meeting concluded at 5.10 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 March, 2026 adopted by the Council.