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LLANELLI RURAL COUNCIL

Minute Nos: 91 – 104

At the **COUNCIL** Meeting of the Llanelli Rural Council held at the Council Chamber, Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Tuesday, 14 July, 2026 at 6.00 p.m.

Present: **Cllrs.**

S. R. Bowen	S. N. Lewis
M. V. Davies	J. Lovell
S. L. Davies	A. G. Morgan
T. M. Donoghue	K. Morgan
E. M. Evans	J. S. Phillips
N. Evans	A. J. Rogers
R. E. Evans	W. E. Skinner

A. G. Stephens

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

91. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Cllr. R. E. Evans be appointed chairman pro-tempore owing to Cllr. Donoghue's indisposition and consequently having to participate remotely in proceedings.

92. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The chairman thanked members and staff for their assistance during the Civic Service on Sunday when a lady became unwell and required assistance.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

93. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. D. M. Cundy, A. Evans and O. Williams.

94. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. A. G. Stephens declared a personal interest in Minute No. 97(2) because he was a member of the Llanelli Town Centre Task Force. Cllr. Stephens also declared a personal interest in Minute No. 97(3) because he was a Trustee of Ty Bryngwyn Hospice Fund Raising Committee.

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95. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation in the proceedings.

96. 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	9 June, 2026
Recreation and Welfare Committee	16 June, 2026
Policy and Resources Committee	17 June, 2026
Finance and General Purposes Committee	24 June, 2026
Planning and Liaison Committee	29 June, 2026
Special Council	29 June, 2026

97. REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllr. A. G. Stephens declared a personal interest in Minute No. 97(2) below because he was a member of the Llanelli Town Centre Task Force. Cllr. Stephens also declared a personal interest in Minute No. 97(3) because he was a Trustee of Ty Bryngwyn Hospice Fund Raising Committee.

(1) LLANELLI AND DISTRICT CIVIC SOCIETY

Further to Minute No. 10, it was

RESOLVED that Cllr. S. R. Bowen be nominated as the council's representative to serve on the Llanelli and District Civic Society in place of Cllr. A. J. Rogers.

(2) LLANELLI TOWN CENTRE TASK FORCE

RESOLVED that Cllr. R. E. Evans be nominated to represent the council on the Llanelli Town Centre Task Force.

(3) TY BRYNGWYN HOSPICE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

Further to Minute No. 10, it was

RESOLVED that Cllr. R. E. Evans be nominated as the council's representative to serve on the Ty Bryngwyn Hospice Fund Raising Committee in place of Cllr. A. J. Rogers.

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98. CORPORATE RISK ASSESSMENT 2026/27

Members considered the report of the Deputy Clerk attaching the council's Risk Management Policy and Corporate Risk Assessment for 2026/27. The report also presented the action plan for 2025/26 highlighting the progress achieved and the action plan for 2026/27 setting out the key aims and targets for the year ahead.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the Risk Assessment Policy and the Corporate Risk Assessment and accompanying action plan for 2026/27 be accepted.

Cllr. S. L. Davies left the meeting during discussion of the above.

99. HYWEL DDA UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD
(1) WELSH GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO THE CLINICAL SERVICES PLAN (CSP) CONSULTATION

Further to Minute No. 55, members received a letter from the new Cabinet Secretary, Mabon ap Gwynfor, Welsh Government regarding the council's letter dated 4 March, 2026, in relation to the Hywel Dda University Health Boards Clinical Services Plan.

Unfortunately, the Cabinet Secretary declined the invitation to attend a future meeting of the Council. In his response, he advised that he did not consider it appropriate to attend at this stage of Hywel Dda University Health Board's (HDUHB's) consultation process. He further noted that the matters raised by the Council fell within the operational remit of HDUHB, which was responsible for the development, consultation, and implementation of the Clinical Services Plan.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the letter response be noted with disappointment.

(2) CLINICAL SERVICES PLAN (CSP) SECONDARY CONSULTATION

Further to Minute No. 57(1), members received a second consultation document from the Executive Medical Director, Hywel Dda University Health Board (HDUHB) informing of the launch of phase 2 consultation exercise on the future of stroke services.

Following HDUHB's consideration of the initial consultation feedback for the stroke service, the HDUHB had identified a new preferred option bringing together elements of the previous option A and B for further development. The combined approach was not part of the previous consultation and now required careful assessment and meaningful engagement with staff, patients, carers and communities.

The preferred option was now to have a stroke unit at Glangwili hospital with 24 hour specialist cover, seven days a week. Bronglais, Prince Philip and Withybush hospitals would become treat and transfer hospitals to support the revised option.

The current service was currently spread across four hospital sites and the Health Board did not have specialist cover seven days a week. This could lead to patient outcomes that were not as good as they could be.

The secondary consultation opportunity was open until 26 July, 2026, and further public engagement drop in events had been put on inviting the public, patients, careers and community groups to share their views on the preferred option.

Following discussion, whereby members reiterated general concerns about the robustness of the plan, it was

RESOLVED that:
1. An invitation be sent to the Welsh Ambulance Services University NHS Trust to attend a future meeting of council to discuss the impact of the Clinical Services Plan might have on the ambulance service and following this
2. An invitation be sent to representatives of Hywel Dda University Health Board to attend a subsequent council meeting to further discuss its Clinical Services Plan and the robustness of the anticipated transport and travel arrangements associated with delivery of the plan.

During discussion of the above, Cllrs. A. G. Morgan and J. S. Phillips left the meeting.

100. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS
CANOLFAN LLWYNHENDY - CAFÉ LICENCE

Further to Minute No. 35(1), correspondence was received form Evans Powell & Co enclosing the counterpart Licence document for operating the café concession at Canolfan, Llwynhendy, and it was

RESOLVED that the counterpart Licence be engrossed and that the chairman and clerk be authorised to sign and affix the council's seal to the Licence.

101. LLANELLI JOINT BURIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members received the following Minutes of a meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Advisory Committee held on 11 March, 2026:

"At the Meeting of the Llanelli Joint Burial Advisory Committee held at Vauxhall Buildings, Vauxhall, Llanelli, and via remote attendance on Wednesday, 11 March 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Cllrs.

N. Evans — J. S. Phillips
J. Jones — J. R. Williams
S. Williams

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Together with Mr A. Davies (Town Clerk)

32. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE

RESOLVED that Cllr. N. Evans be appointed Chairman pro-tempore.

33. NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER

The Chairman extended a warm welcome to Cllr. J. Jones, who had replaced Cllr. D. Darkin as one of the Llanelli Town Council representatives serving on the committee.

34. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. A. J. Rogers and T. M. Donoghue.

35. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. S. Williams declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Minutes No. 38 because he had been working with the applicant regarding the general development proposals at Parc Penprys.

36. 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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37. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

RECOMMENDED that the income and expenditure report up to 31 January 2026 be noted.

38. PARC PENPRYS LTD

Cllr. S. Williams declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the following matter because he had been working with the applicant regarding the general development proposals at Parc Penprys. He withdrew from the meeting before discussion commenced.

Members considered correspondence from the Director of Parc Penprys Ltd regarding an offer to construct and maintain an overspill car park to service the needs of Llanelli Crematorium. The offer formed part of a general development proposal to create a business park on land immediately south of the crematorium.

Following discussion, it was

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RECOMMENDED that the offer be accepted in principle subject to legal agreement and that officers be authorised to progress matters by entering into further negotiations with the Director of Parc Penprys Ltd and representatives of the Westerleigh Group, Llanelli Crematorium.
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The meeting concluded at 4.15pm
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RESOLVED that the minutes and the recommendations contained therein be received and accepted.

102. MATTERS REPORTED

RESOLVED that the schedule of matters reported be noted.

103. 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.

104. TRAINING DEPARTMENT -
ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2026/27

Members were presented with an information update on Training Department work-based learning contracts together with a cost centre report on the Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the Training Department 2026/27.

Members were also provided with information on the department's earmarked reserves in the form of a table to support the detailed accompanying financial report.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED that:
1. The information update on learning contracts be noted.
2. The detailed financial report be accepted.
3. The Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 2026/27 be accepted.

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The Meeting concluded at 7.22 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 September, 2026 adopted by the Council.