## **COUNTY COUNCIL**

# WEDNESDAY, 12 MAY 2021

PRESENT: Councillor I.W. Davies (Chair)

## **Councillors:**

F. Akhtar	S.M. Allen	L.R. Bowen	K.V. Broom
C.A. Campbell	J.M. Charles	D.M. Cundy	S.A. Curry
C.A. Davies	W.R.A. Davies	T.A.J. Davies	G. Davies
H.L. Davies	J.A. Davies	K.Davies	S.L. Davies
E. Dole	J.S. Edmunds	D.C. Evans	H.A.L. Evans
L.D. Evans	R.E. Evans	W.T. Evans	S.J.G. Gilasbey
P. Hughes-Griffiths	A.D. Harries	T.M. Higgins	J.K. Howell
P.M. Hughes	A. James	J.D. James	R. James
D.M. Jenkins	J.P. Jenkins	G.H. John	C. Jones
B.W. Jones	D. Jones	G.R. Jones	H.I. Jones
T.J. Jones	A. Lenny	M.J.A. Lewis	K. Lloyd
K. Madge	S. Matthews	A.S.J. McPherson	E. Morgan
A.G. Morgan	S. Najmi	D. Nicholas	J.S. Phillips
D. Price	J.G. Prosser	B.A.L. Roberts	E.M.J.G. Schiavone
H.B. Shepardson	A.D.T. Speake	L.M. Stephens	B. Thomas
D. Thomas	E.G. Thomas	G.B. Thomas	G. Thomas
J. Tremlett	A.Vaughan Owen	D.T. Williams	D.E. Williams
J.E. Williams			

#### Also Present:

- W. Walters, Chief Executive
- C. Moore, Director of Corporate Services
- G. Morgans, Director of Education & Children's Services
- J. Morgan, Head of Homes & Safer Communities
- R. Mullen, Director of Environment
- P.R. Thomas, Assistant Chief Executive (People Management & Performance)
- L.R. Jones, Head of Administration and Law
- G. Morgan, Head of Democratic Services
- E. Evans, Principal Democratic Services Officer
- S. Rees, Simultaneous Translator
- J. Hawker, Digital Support Officer
- C.J. Warwick, Digital Support Engineer
- L. Jenkins, Executive Board Support Officer
- M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer
- K. Thomas, Democratic Services Officer
- E. Bryer, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting - 10.00 - 10.55 am



# 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P. M. Edwards, A.L. Fox and B.D.J Phillips.

# 2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS.

Councillor	Minute Number	Nature of Interest
L.D. Evans	7.2 - Modernising Education Programme Proposal to relocate Ysgol Heol Goffa to a new site and increase its capacity from 75 to 120.	Son-in-law works in Ysgol Heol Goffa.
L.M. Stephens	8.3 - Receive the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2021 (Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief Scheme 2021/22).	Family member qualifies for Business Rates.
H.A.L. Evans	8.1 - Receive the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021 (Housing Revenue Account).	Sister is Chief Executive of a Housing Association.
S.J. G. Gilasbey	8.1 - Receive the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021 (Housing Revenue Account).	Family member is a council tenant
P.M. Hughes	8.3 - Receive the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2021 (Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief Scheme 2021/22).	Lives on a business premises.



E. Dole	8.3 - Receive the	Family member qualifies for Business
	report of the meeting	Rates
	of the Executive	
	Board held on the 12 <sup>th</sup>	
	April 2021 (Retail,	
	Leisure and	
	Hospitality Rates	
	Relief Scheme	
	2021/22).	

#### 3. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- The Chair advised that he had written to the office of Her Majesty The Queen to convey Carmarthenshire County Council's deepest sympathy following the death of the Duke of Edinburgh.
- The Chair reminded Council that the Royal British Legion, Llandeilo lost, in 2020 its President / Past Chairman and lifelong supporter, D T Davies, OBE, MM. It was advised that the Royal British Legion, Llandeilo was raising money for commemorative benches. It is intended to install one in Penlan Park, Llandeilo and the other in Dryslwyn. The benches would be in commemoration of a great man and also the Royal British Legion, which is celebrating 100 years this year. Councillor Edward Thomas (the Chair of the Llandeilo Branch) would welcome any donations.
- It was advised that on Wednesday, 5th April, there had been a serious house fire at Talar Wen, Pencarreg, where the occupier had lost everything but fortunately, she and her son were unhurt. Officers from the Housing Department had been working with them to find alternative accommodation. The Chair expressed his sincere thanks to all concerned.
- The Chair congratulated Carmarthenshire Young Farmers Club on their recent success in winning the English and Welsh public speaking competition at Wales level.
- Councillor Jeanette Gilasbey expressed her congratulations to Jonathan Gravell on becoming the next High Sheriff of Dyfed.
- Councillor Emlyn Dole congratulated everyone who stood at the recent elections and thanked the agents who supported them. Cllr. Cefin Campbell was congratulated on being elected as Member of the Senedd for Mid and West Wales. Cllr Ann Davies was also welcomed as the Executive Board Member for Communities and Rural Affairs.
- The Chair welcomed back Cllr. Jim Jones following a period of ill health.

# 4. TO APPROVE AND SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE

#### 4.1. 3RD MARCH 2021

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2021 be signed as a correct record.



#### 4.2. 10TH MARCH 2021

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 10th March, 2021 be signed as a correct record.

5. TO CONSIDER NOMINATIONS FOR THE CHAIR OF COUNCIL FOR THE 2021/2022 MUNICIPAL YEAR

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Councillor J. Eirwyn Williams be nominated Chair Elect of Carmarthenshire County Council for the 2021/22 Municipal Year.

6. TO CONSIDER NOMINATIONS FOR THE VICE-CHAIR OF COUNCIL FOR THE 2021/2022 MUNICIPAL YEAR

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Councillor K. Lloyd be nominated Vice-Chair Elect of Carmarthenshire County Council for the 2021/22 Municipal Year.

7. TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:-

#### 7.1. CORPORATE STRATEGY 2018/23 - UPDATE APRIL 2021

The Council was informed that the Executive Board, at its meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 (minute 6 refers) had considered a report which provided information on the adjustments that had been made to the Corporate Strategy 2018-23 and the Well-being Objectives which were adopted in June 2018. The adjustments were made to reflect the developing priorities, the impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic, Brexit and climate change.

RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Executive Board that the Corporate Strategy and Well-being Objectives adopted in June, 2018 be adjusted, as reported, to reflect developing priorities, the impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic, Brexit and climate change be adopted.

7.2. MODERNISING EDUCATION PROGRAMME PROPOSAL TO RELOCATE YSGOL HEOL GOFFA TO A NEW SITE AND INCREASE ITS CAPACITY FROM 75 TO 120

[Note: Councillor L.D. Evans had earlier declared an interest in this item.]

The Council was informed that the Executive Board, at its meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 (minute 6 refers) had considered a report on proposals to relocate Ysgol Heol Goffa by September 2023 to a new site next to the recently completed Ysgol Pen Rhos and increase its capacity from 75 to 120.

RESOLVED that the following recommendations of the Executive Board be adopted:-

on the basis that

there are no other related proposals;



- the statutory proposal has been consulted upon and published in accordance with the School Organisation Code and contains all the relevant information and, having considered the consultation document and consultation report;
- no objections were received in response to the Statutory Notice; that the proposals to relocate Ysgol Heol Goffa and increase its capacity from 75 to 120, as laid out in the Statutory Notice, be implemented.

## 7.3. DYFED PENSION FUND PENSION BOARD TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Council was informed that the Executive Board at its meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> April (minute 6 refers) had considered a report revising the Dyfed Pension Fund Board Terms of Reference.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Executive Board to approve the revised terms of reference of the Dyfed Pension Fund Board, as stated in the report, be adopted and incorporated into the council's constitution.

# 8. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HELD ON THE

#### 8.1. 22ND FEBRUARY 2021

[Note: Councillors H.A.L Evans and S.J.G Gilasbey declared an interest at the start of this item].

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 be received.

#### 8.2. 22ND MARCH 2021

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 be received.

## 8.3. 12TH APRIL 2021

[Note: 1. Councillor L.M. Stephens had earlier declared an interest in this item.

2. Councillors P. M. Hughes and E. Dole declared an interest at the start of this item].

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 be received.

## 9. PUBLIC QUESTIONS (NONE RECEIVED).

The Chair advised that no public questions had been received.

## 10. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS (NONE RECEIVED)

The Chair advised that no questions from Members had been received.



MINUTES FOR INFORMATION (AVAILABLE TO VIEW ON THE WEBSITE)
The Chair stated that the minutes outlined on the agenda 11.1 – 11.18 were available for information on the Council website.
CHAIR DATE

11.

