

LLANHARAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Human Resources Committee held by remote attendance at 7.00pm on Tuesday 16th December 2025

The meeting was held in accordance with:

The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021

Present:

Councillors: Rhys Jenkins (Chair), Chris Parker, Robert Smith

Clerk to the Council: Leigh Smith

Apologies: None.

Absent: None.

HR2025/021 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed all attendees.

HR2025/022 Disclosures of Interests

The Clerk declared an interest in agenda items 6 and 7 and stated that they would leave the meeting when these items of business were considered.

HR2025/023 Minutes of HR committee meeting held 8th May 2025

RESOLVED

To approve the minutes of the HR committee meeting held on 8th May 2025 as a true and accurate record.

HR2025/024 Exclude press and public

RESOLVED

By virtue of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, to exclude the press and public from all following items of business considered at the meeting on the basis that with regards to all following agenda items, disclosure thereof would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

HR2025/025 Note the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) agreement on local government pay for 2025/26

NOTED

The Clerk left the meeting.

HR2025/025 The Clerk's annual appraisal.

RESOLVED

To approve the conclusions of the Clerks annual appraisal and the targets for 2026.

The Clerk returned to the meeting.

HR2025/026 One Voice Wales report undertaken on a 5-yearly basis to make recommendations regarding the Council's NALC LC scale and other matters.

a) RECOMMENDED

To accept the One Voice Wales report recommendation that the Council now sits at the below the substantive benchmark criteria for LC3 (Clerk SCP Points 33-36).

The Clerk left the meeting.

b) RECOMMENDED

To accept the recommendation of the One Voice Wales report that the salary for the post of Clerk should be set between SCP 33 and 36 and to recommend that the Clerk's salary should be set to SCP33 and that this should be back dated to the date of the report, from 1st June 2025.

c) **RESOLVED**

For a future Full Council agenda item to consider the issue of whether the contractual SCP increment due in April 2026 should also be applied or whether the recommended SCP increase (if resolved) be considered the scale increase for 2026.

The Clerk returned to the meeting.

HR2025/027 Principle of pay scales for all roles within the Council and the methodology.

RESOLVED

For the Clerk to approach One Voice Wales to ascertain whether they can assist with job evaluation, grading and potential pay scales for officer roles and any costs associated with doing so.

HR2025/028 Completion of the 6-month probationary period for the Assistant Clerk, to note progress against the Training and achievement plan

a) RESOLVED

To approve the formal completion of the 6-month probationary period for the Assistant Clerk.

b) RESOLVED

To approve the completion of the training and achievement plan and to note the contractual increase to SCP24 for the Assistant Clerk to take effect from 1st January 2026.

HR2025/029 Staffing and employment budget costs for the financial year 2026/27.

RESOLVED

To recommend to the Audit Committee an employments costs budget figure for 2026/27 of £159,230, the details of which to be entered into the 2026/27 budget spreadsheet.

HR2025/030 Contracts of employment for new staff and converted NALC contracts for existing staff.

a) RESOLVED

To approve the NALC Contract for Lisa Phillips as presented in "Appendix 8c" to the Committee.

b) RESOLVED

To approve the NALC Contract for Paul Beach as presented in "Appendix 8d"

to the Committee.

NOTED

To note the existing and previously resolved NALC contracts for Leigh Smith, Rebecca Jenkins and Paul Harris presented in Appendix 8, Appendix 8a and Appendix 8b respectively.

HR2025/031 Employee Social Media Policy *RESOLVED*

To adopt the Employee Social Media Policy as presented in "Appendix 9" to the Committee.

HR2024/032 Urgent information or suggestions for future agendas None.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Date of next meeting: TBD

Councillor Rhys Jenkins
Chair of the HR Committee.