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COMMUNITY COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Personnel Sub Committee held on Monday, 28 July 2025, at the Llangennech Community Centre.

PRESENT Councillors : N Lloyd (Chair)
I M Williams, M I Slader,
I Griffiths, J A Seward

1 . The purpose of the meeting was to interview two candidates for the post of Facilities Manager for the Council.

The two candidates were Mr Ashan Arachchige and Mr Emyr Williams.

It was agreed that the candidates would be asked a series of set questions by Councillors attending tonight's meeting. The questions were set to ascertain the suitability of each candidate to the requirements and responsibilities of the post and the Council. It was also agreed that each Councillor would ask a specific question to each candidate.

2 . Mr Ashan Arachchige was invited first to meet the panel.

Mr Arachchige gave details of his experience, duties and responsibilities with various employers in his career to date. He had not had experience of working in the public sector but had different supervisory roles in the private sector which involved work scheduling, budgeting and budgetary control and working closely with contractors.

Mr Arachchige is currently in the process of setting up his own business following being made redundant at Tata Steel.

He has had no experience in making grant applications.

The Chair of the Council, N Lloyd, thanked Mr Arachchige for attending tonight's meeting.

3 . Mr Emyr Williams was then invited to meet the panel.

Mr Williams stated that he was born and bred in the village and had been involved in sport and other matters in the village all his life. He has been extensively involved in charity and money raising work and sport and sport administration.

He is currently working with the Football Association of Wales and works from home. He is involved in working with sporting clubs and helping them obtain funding and also extensively works with consultants. He has also worked with Llannon Community Council and Llanedi Community Council.

He has attended Llangennech Community Council Meetings in the past and was involved in taking over the maintenance work of the rugby/soccer pitch in the recreation ground by the LBSA.

Mr Williams had also prepared a presentation document for tonight's meeting and he circulated this to members of the panel for consideration.

The Chair of the Council, N Lloyd, thanked Mr Williams for attending tonight's meeting.

4 . The panel then considered the suitability of the two candidates for the post of Facilities Manager.

The Chair, N Loyd, referred to Mr Williams work with the LBSA and in her opinion does not believe that there would be a conflict-of-interest issue if Mr Williams was appointed.

Councillor J A Seward stated that Mr Williams was well organised at tonight's interview.

Councillor I Griffiths referred to the fact that Mr Williams is well known in the village.

Councillor M I Slader stated that Mr Williams has experience in working with contractors and other local authorities.

Councillor I M Williams believed that Mr Williams was the best candidate for the post.

After due discussion it was unanimously agreed to offer the post to Mr E Williams and that the starting date would be the 1 August 2025.

If Mr Williams accepts the offer he would be invited to meet the Chair and Councillor I Griffiths for an informal meeting later in the week.