

WALES FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS CLUBS



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2021 10.30AM

PRESENT:

Katie Davies (Council chairman); Caryl Haf (Council vice chairman); Kathryn Jones (Finance and management chairman); Katie Court (Competitions chairman); Niall Evans (International chairman); Dafydd Jones (Building Group chairman); Clare James (Rural affairs chairman); Aled Thomas (Events and marketing chairman); Elin Rattery (Youth forum chairman); Sian Healey (Senior member of the year); Elin Orrells (Junior member of the year); Gwenno Davies (Clwyd); Tania Hancock, Sam Kurtz, Delun Evans, Mair Evans, Edna Davies, Caryl Bevan, Eleri George (Pembrokeshire); Carwyn Pugh, Emma Rees, Caitlin Harley, Emma Powell (Brecknock); Esyllt Ellis Jones, Elin Calan Jones, Rhodri Griffiths, Meinir Green, Eiliw Dafydd, Terry Davies, Iona Davies (Ceredigion); Gwen Thomas and Meinir Owen, (Eryri); John James (Radnor); Iestyn Owen, Hefin Evans, Carys Thomas, (Carmarthenshire); Fflur Powell, Eiliw Haf Griffiths, Rhys Richards, (Ynys Môn); Manon Williams, (Meirionnydd); Aled Rees, Bryony Wilson (Montgomery); Kate Thomas, Elen Williams, Andrew Joseph, (Glamorgan); Abi Williams, Katie Matthews, Chris Lewis, Alun Morgan (Gwent); Mared Jones (Co-opted member); Rachel Goldie (NFYFC); Jayne Jones, (Merched y Wawr); Hedd Pugh (NFU); Philip Ellis (Incoming Chief Exec); Anna Jones (Incoming Marketing Officer); Eifion Huws, Anwen Hughes, Sharon Pritchard, Catrin Price (FUW).

IN ATTENDANCE:

Rhianwen Jones (Wales YFC Competitions and International Operations Officer); Angharad Thomas (Wales YFC Marketing Officer); Ceri Llwyd, (Ashmole and co. – Federation Auditor); Anne Jones (Ceredigion YFC County Organiser); Gwyneth Thomas, (Glamorgan YFC County Organiser); Ffion Wright Evans, (Montgomery YFC County Organiser); Hefin Jones (Translator); Llyr Jones (Technegol Ltd),

APOLOGIES:

Geraint Lloyd (Wales YFC President); Laura Bowyer (Gwent); Megan Jones (Clwyd); Dave Stoner (Clwyd); Sioned Morris (Montgomery); Edward Dungait (NFYFC); Elen Rhys (S4C); Linda Jones (RABI); Nigel Hollet (CLA); Kevin Thomas (Lantra); Edna Jones (Ynys Môn); Rhodri Lewis (Carmarthenshire); Katie Miles (Co-Opted); Elin Jones (AS); John Davies (NFU); Aled Davies (NFU); Megan Jones (Wales YFC); Helen Hodges (Vice President); Glyn Roberts (FUW); Iwan Meirion (Chair Finance and Management); Rosie Bennett (NFYFC); Rhodri Evans (Co-Option)

C/01/2021

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

In opening the meeting, Katie Davies, Federation Chairman, extended a warm welcome to all members and guests to the Annual General Meeting of the Wales Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs and noted how nice it is to be back together face to face.

The Chairman introduced Mr Hefin Jones as the translator for the meeting and offered all those requiring translation the opportunity to trial the technology.

The Chairman noted that for this meeting we will be continuing to use Vevox for all our votes and those entitled to vote have been the only people to receive the link to this system. Members were asked to make sure that you are logged into the system using the meeting ID and password and that you have the screen open throughout the meeting

An AGM is a start of new beginnings; however, it is only right to remember those that won't be continuing the YFC journey with us this year. The Chairman asked all those in attendance to remember for a moment all those who supported the movement who had passed away during the past twelve months. In tribute, all in attendance took part in a moment's silence.

Guests were welcomed to the meeting including 5 nations representatives – it was noted that a number were unable to attend the AGM and had sent videos across. Ceri Llwyd, representing the Federations auditors was also welcomed to the meeting.

The Chair then welcomed all new staff of Wales YFC to the meeting, including Philip Ellis the new Chief Executive. The Chair invited Philip to the stand to say a few words. He noted that it was a tumultuous time but an exciting time and that his main priority will be getting back to where [Wales YFC] was before the pandemic. He also looked forward to meeting members.

Finally, the formalities the meeting were noted, including the requirement for all participants register their attendance and note any apologies. Everyone speaking were asked to make their way to the podium ahead of their time to speak, however if there is more than one person at the podium, please remind them to keep their 2m distance.

Some apologies had already been received and it was asked if there were any further names to be added, this was done by messaging the Wales YFC Facebook page.

C/02/2021

MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the annual general meeting held on 19th September 2020 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Proposer: Aled Thomas (Events & Marketing Chairman)

Seconded: Niall Evans (Brecknock)

C/03/2021

TO APPOINT TELLERS AND APPROVE AGM AND COUNCIL VOTING REPRESENTATIVES

The names of representatives from County Federations for the YFC year 2021 / 2022 were highlighted to all those in attendance and approved as noted. However, Counties were reminded to submit the names of their representatives as some had not yet been received.

Members were informed that these representatives would now be directors of the Wales Federation for the year 2021 / 2022 and that co-opted members to support council would be appointed later in the meeting.

C/04/2021

TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

Ceri Llwyd representing the Federation's auditors Ashmole & Co. presented a report to members on the annual accounts for the year ending 31st March 2021. Copies of the financial report are available to all members.

During her report, Ceri highlighted the following points;

That 2020 - 2021 has been a very different year, and the accounts reflected this, including that a surplus has been made over the last twelve months of £273,000 compared to deficit of £5,609 last year. Ceri highlighted that this surplus is due to the grants received and the smaller events expenses and wouldn't be guaranteed in years to come.

However, it was important to note that covid related funding is not only for this year but is also to carry forward into 2021 - 2022 as we recover as an organisation. Ceri advised we use this opportunity wisely, to reassess how events and budgets are planned to go forward.

Ceri spoke to members regarding the detail of the financial report and encouraged members to present to ask questions, or to contact her following the meeting with any comments.

In concluding her report, Ms Llwyd thanked Wales YFC for the opportunity to be the Federation's auditors for the financial year. Thanks were extended to the Finance & Management sub committee and Claire Powell for all their support and work in relation to the preparation of the accounts.

Proposer: Kathryn Jones, Finance and Management Chairman

Seconded: Caryl Haf, Council Vice Chairman

C/05/2021

TO RECEIVE THE ANNUAL REPORT

5.1

Competitions – Katie Court

As Chairman of the Federations Competitions sub committee Katie Court reported on work that had taken place over the past twelve months.

Katie noted that we entered the year with uncertainty, but regardless there was always one certainty – that Wales YFC would always be there for its members and provide a programme of sorts. All meetings of the Competitions committee were held via zoom and had been more productive. Due to this Katie recommended that zoom meetings continue, allowing more frequent meetings.

Whilst there had predominantly virtual meetings this year, Katie noted that we were lucky enough to hold our Agri Day face to face last month. Most importantly the last year had shown the adaptability of our members.

Katie welcomed new partnerships with Cywain which introduced new competitions as a result, an exciting partnership going forward.

Katie extended congratulations to all winners of competitions throughout the year, along with her thanks to judges, stewards and members who had participated in the events.

Thanks were also expressed to all members who had attended meetings over the past twelve months on behalf of their Federations.

Finally, Katie thanked the staff and officer team for their support during her time in office and wished everyone the best of luck for the coming year.

AGM Chairman, Katie Davies, thanked Katie and Sian for their work over the past twelve months. Noting that through the different year they've both made sure that there was opportunities for members to be part of and that they have worked hard to start having face to face competitions again. Congratulations were extended to Sian on her success as Wales YFC Senior Member of the Year and coming

second at National Level. Also congratulations to Katie on the announcement of her pregnancy.

5.2

Finance & Management – Kathryn Jones

As Chairman of the Finance and Management sub committee Kathryn reported on the work of the group over the past twelve months.

- The committee have been meeting regularly and have seen many changes and implementations being made.
- Meetings have been held via zoom and been well attended.
- The Federation has received a large amount of grants this year; some for specific projects and others for recovery.
- Furlough scheme has been used since the start of the pandemic.
- Virtual competitions and events have kept costs down however that does not mean we recommend not holding in person events as that would take away what the movement is about.

In closing her report Kathryn thanked Ashmole and Co, Claire Powell and Hilary in particular for their work and support.

As Kathryn was finishing her term in office, she thanked the members for the opportunity, noting that it had been an honour and a challenge, but it was time to get back to being the best organisation in Wales. She wished Iwan Meirion the best in his new role and looked forward to supporting anyway she can.

The Chair thanked Kathryn for her hard work during her time in this role, noting that she has worked tirelessly behind the scenes and been a great support to the Senior Officers and staff team. The Chair welcomed Iwan Meirion as the new Finance and Management Chairman and noted that we look forward to working with him once again.

5.3

Building Group – Dafydd Jones

Building Group Chairman Dafydd Jones noted that work had continued in respect of the YFC Centre over the past twelve months. The working group had noted the positives of the building, especially its location. However, there are a number of negatives so they are working with members, officers and staff to see what needs to change and what would work better for the organisation going forward.

Dafydd noted that in the coming weeks they are starting the process of working with architects. He updated Council that we had been successful in gaining National Lottery support with the People and Postcode Fund helping towards the costs.

Dafydd concluded his report by thanking Kath and the working group for their hard work.

Dafydd and the committee was thanked for their work on behalf of Council, and we look forward to seeing further progress next year.

5.4

Youth Forum – Elin Rattery

Youth forum Chairman Elin Rattery noted that the forum's role is to represent the views of members of the Federation under the age of 18.

Elin noted that the Youth forum have been busy throughout the pandemic and whilst it is normally quite difficult getting to meetings as most of the committee are under 17 and cannot drive, the virtual meetings meant there had been a good attendance.

The committee have held cooking and taskmaster evenings which were very successful. Elin also noted that Wales YFC has been successful in gaining a seat on the Youth Parliament and had a meeting with cabinet members last week.

Elin closed by thanking the movement for the opportunities and wished the youth forum the best of luck for the next year

The Chairman thanked Elin for her work over the past twelve months.

5.5

Events & Marketing – Aled Thomas

Sub committee Chairman Aled Thomas reported on the work of the Events and Marketing sub committee over the past twelve months.

Aled noted that it had been a quiet year with not many events taking place, however this had given the committee the chance to look at the website and the continuity across social media. This became the committee's priority for the last twelve months and they were happy with the results.

Aled noted that there had been some great new additions for members this year including, the virtual book club, virtual marketplace and YFC sessions.

Zoom meetings have been very successful and Aled advised the committee to continue with this as it allows more members to attend easily and therefore gives more members the chance to have their say.

Unfortunately, no Young People's Village had been held in 2021, but the committee looked forward to being able to relaunch the event in 2022.

In closing his report Aled noted his thanks to the staff team for their support of the sub committee.

The Chairman thanked Aled for his report and his two years as Chairman.

5.6 Rural Affairs – Claire James

Chairman Claire James reported on the work of the committee over the past twelve months.

The committee has spent the past year supporting its members and working closely with benefactors and Claire thanked them all for their support.

Claire gave an example of these partnerships, namely, Menter Moch. Where 6 new members have entered the scheme as a result. The committee have also worked with the DPJ Foundation and initiated the Agri-i travel opportunity.

Rural Affairs also held a Welsh Government hustings in which members voices were heard by representatives across the parties.

The committee also held a two-night conference which was a great success and the Chair thanked CCF for their support once again.

They have also created two new rural affairs videos with members from every county to promote our voices and make sure they are heard. As well as completing a number of consultations throughout the year.

In closing Claire thanked members for their passion and the opportunity to be Chairman of the Rural Affairs committee.

The Chair, Katie Davies, thanked Claire and Will for their work over the past twelve months for the committee, representing members views in various meetings, consultation responses and working on videos to promote Welsh Agriculture.

5.7 International – Niall Evans

International sub committee Chairman Niall Evans, reported on the work of the committee over the past twelve months.

Due to Coronavirus international travel has been hit very hard but hasn't stopped the committee working hard. They have looked at more group travel opportunities due to concerns with homestays under covid restrictions, these new ideas have had excellent feedback.

With these new travel opportunities, it was brilliant to have 61 members apply for the travel programme in 2021, which was more than 2020.

Niall confirmed that the New Zealand Dairy Career Scholarships were given to two members who will travel once restrictions allow and a new trip to Germany has been agreed with more details to be announced soon.

Niall thanked the members of the committee for their support during the past twelve months.

The Chair thanked Niall and Nerys for their hard work over the past twelve months and for bringing new travel opportunities and ideas forward. She also noted that we hope that things will continue to ease to allow our members to travel soon.

Congratulations were extended to Niall on his role as Vice Chairman of Rural Youth Europe and we all wished him continued luck in this role. Niall and Elen Williams, the Group 1 representative, were then asked to speak briefly, highlighting their work representing Wales and the wider Group 1 network on the Rural Youth Europe board.

Elen reiterated that it had been a very different year, however Rural Youth Europe had held their first virtual rally which was followed by a virtual assembly and congratulations were once again extended to Niall.

Elen confirmed that the 2022 Rally will be in Germany with the Autumn Seminar having been postponed until 2022. There are also new opportunities which include new subcommittee representatives and ambassadors for Cocoreado project, if any member is interested they are to speak to Elen or Niall.

5.8

Personnel & Remuneration – Caryl Haf

In the absence of Hilary Jones, Caryl Haf reported on behalf of the committee.

Caryl noted that there had been a lot of staff changes again this year. She thanked the four members of staff that have left Wales YFC on behalf of Council and wished them good luck for the future.

She extended thanks to the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society and Carmarthenshire Federation for the secondment of staff during the covid period.

Congratulations were extended to Claire on the arrival of her baby.

Caryl noted that it was great to welcome staff from furlough and thanked them for their patience.

She congratulated Rhianwen Jones, Anne Jones, Sian Teleri and Philip Ellis to their new positions in Wales YFC, formally 'welcoming them to the YFC family'.

Thanks were also extended to county staff and the members.

The Chair thanked Caryl Haf for the report and also extended her thanks to Hilary Jones as Chairman and the committee for their continued hard work and support of the staff team, as well as their work in recruitment for the organisation.

5.9.1

Council – Katie Davies

Federation Chairman Katie Davies reported to Council on second twelve months in office during an continued unprecedented period of uncertainty not just for the organisation, but the whole world. However, in true YFC style we have never stopped, always offering opportunities.

Katie noted that our members work in the communities has been recognised by the Welsh government and the media – deservedly so. Also that members have been embracing the virtual platforms, however it is brilliant to be back face to face.

Katie noted some of the new partnerships available to our members, including working with the National Book Council to create a book club both English and Welsh. Creating the YFC Marketplace, an area for members to showcase their entrepreneurial skills and the YFC sessions which gave members the chance to learn new skills.

2021 also saw the first ever Wales YFC hustings. It was great to see a variety of members from all ages of the organisation in attendance and thank you to the party representatives for their engagement.

Katie reiterated what Caryl Haf, Vice Chair noted in her report, that this year had been a difficult one in relation to staffing, however all of the activities and events wouldn't have been possible without the hard work and dedication of numerous staff members. Diolch yn fawr I chi gyd. We are however lucky to have announced a number of new recruits to the Wales YFC family, a very exciting time and best wishes were extended to them.

Katie noted that as Wales YFC we are lucky to work with various organisations and extended her thanks to the team all of the Five Nations. She also noted that the Five Nations, have been regularly work together during the pandemic.

Thanks were extended to the organisations supporters and sponsors, from the farming unions to the businesses and individuals. Without their commitment, putting on so many events for our members would be impossible.

Thanks were extended to everyone who contributed to Wales YFC over the past twelve months; whether that be as members, supporters, sponsors, stakeholders, judges, stewards, staff, officers or volunteers.

Finally, Katie noted that the resilience our members show is something to be proud of and by working together we will carve a strong future for the next generation of YFC members.

The following members proposed and seconded the 2020 / 2021 annual report.

Proposer: Esyllt Ellis Jones, Ceredigion

Seconded: Aled Rees, Montgomery

C/06/2021

TO CONFIRM THE LEVY FOR WALES YFC 2021 / 2022

The Chairman noted that the Wales YFC levy is set in line with the levy of NFYFC and that it was necessary to approve the levy for the forthcoming year for the purposes of the two Federations directly affiliated to Wales YFC; namely Eryri and Ynys Môn.

A proposal was put forward to freeze the levy payable by Ynys Môn and Eryri to £10 in alignment with NFYFC.

Iestyn Owen, Carmarthenshire, questioned whether this was a matter for Council. The Chair confirmed that the levy is always agreed at the AGM.

Proposer: Rhys Richards, Ynys Môn

Seconded: Eryri

As there were no other proposals from the floor, a Vevox vote took place with the proposal carried.

C/07/2021

TO CONFIRM THE AGE RANGE FOR WALES YFC FOR 2021/2022

Following the NFYFC age increase from 10-26 to 10-28 during their AGM, Wales YFC needed to formally vote this in today. Counties will still be able to amend the age limit in their counties if they wish, this proposal is only for a Wales YFC level.

Proposer: Abi Williams, Gwent

Seconded: Bryony Wilson, Montgomery

Following a discussion, it was agreed that increasing the age range would ensure a wider pool of potential members and allowing members who may have missed out during the pandemic further opportunities.

Following a Vevox vote, the motion was carried.

C/08/2021

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

8.1

Wales President

Katie Davies acknowledged the work that Mr Geraint Lloyd had undertaken over the past twelve months and thanked him for being an excellent president for Wales YFC. She also reiterated his apologies for not being with us today.

We have one nomination for President, Mr Chris Lewis from Gwent.

The following members proposed Mr Chris Lewis as the Federation's President for the YFC year 2021 / 2022.

Proposer: Abi Williams, Gwent

Seconded: Sian Healey, Senior Member of the Year

Proposer Abi Williams noted that Chris has been an asset to Gwent for numerous years. He has been a past NFYFC Chairman and is known for being loyal, approachable and believes in the power of the members. He will make a fantastic President.

Seconded Sian Healey noted that Chris has been a past Wales Chairman and a long-standing Wales Vice President. He also always shows support to the organisation.

Voting members in attendance were unanimous in their support for the election of Chris Lewis as president.

Chris thanked the Federation for the honour of electing him as President. He extended his thanks to Abergavenny Club where his YFC journey began and looks forward to working with all counties and members.

8.2

Honorary Vice Presidents

The 2020 / 2021 Honorary Vice Presidents were thanked for their support over the past twelve months. Thanks, were also extended to them for joining together as a group and forming part of the policy group. Thanks were also extended to Geraint Lloyd for Chairing Vice Presidents group.

Following a proposal from the following members, the 2021 / 2022 Honorary Vice Presidents were duly elected, via Vevox.

Proposer: Dafydd Jones, Building Group Chairman

Seconded: Manon Williams, Meirionnydd

2021 / 2022 Nominations

- Tom Evans, Brecknock
- Nesta Griffith, Eryri
- Gareth Jones, Montgomery

- Elfyn Davies, Carmarthenshire
- Owen Elliott, Glamorgan
- Helen Hodges, Pembrokeshire
- Ifan Jones Evans, Ceredigion
- Chris Lewis, Gwent
- Paul Thomas, Radnor
- Sharon Jones, Clwyd
- Eifion Davies, Meirionnydd
- Wyn Williams, Ynys Môn

8.3

Auditors

A proposal was put forward to elect Ashmole and Co. as the auditors for Wales YFC for the financial year 2021 / 2022.

As there were no other nominations for the role, a Vevox vote took place with the company duly elected.

Proposer: Katie Court, Competitions Chairman

Seconded: Niall Evans, International Chairman

8.4

(Organisations)

Co-opted Members of Council Co-opted Members

Members were reminded of the co-opted members (organisations) of council over the past twelve months. Their attendance over the past year was also highlighted.

Following discussion, it was agreed to invite the following organisations to have a seat on council for the YFC year 2021 / 2022.

1. FUW
2. NFU Cymru
3. Royal Welsh Agricultural Society
4. CLA
5. Merched y Wawr

Co-opted Members (individuals)

Members were reminded of the co-opted members (individuals) of council over the past twelve months. It was noted that Iwan Meirion will no longer have a seat as a Co-option due to being Finance and Management Chairman, so there is one vacancy.

Their attendance over the past year was also highlighted. Due to this it was proposed and agreed that those who had not attended any elections over the past year would not be re-elected.

The following members were elected as co-opted members of Council for the YFC year 2021 / 2022.

1. Rhodri Evans, Ceredigion
2. Katie Davies, Immediate Past Chairman
3. Kathryn Jones
4. Kate Miles, Glamorgan
5. Dafydd Jones, Meirionnydd

Proposer: Elen Williams, Glamorgan

Seconded: Claire James, Rural Affairs Chairman

8.5

Wales YFC Chairman

One nomination for the post of Wales YFC Chairman had been received.

Caryl Haf, Ceredigion

Proposer: Esyllt Ellis Jones, Ceredigion

Seconded: Rhys Richards, Ynys Môn

With no other nominations received from the floor, Caryl Haf was elected as chairman of council for the YFC year 2021 / 2022.

Before handing over the chain of office, Katie, said a few words. She extended her thanks to the organisation for allowing the Pintsize member from Pembrokeshire the honour of being Wales Chairman for two years. She noted that it had been an honour to follow in her Mothers footsteps, being the first Parent and Child to be Wales YFC Chairman.

Katie thanked all staff members at Wales YFC and the Officer team, for their hard work over the last 18 months. As well as all County Staff and Officers for their hard work and support. Katie also extended her thanks for members supporting her when she has spoken Welsh and encouraged other members to 'give it a go'.

Katie extended her congratulations to Caryl, who she described as an ambassador for YFC, knowing how much this role means to her and noted the friendship that had been gained by working together and by being in YFC – from being County Queens together to Wales Chair and Vice together.

Katie also thanked her County Pembrokeshire and in particular her club, Llysyfran YFC for all of their support and who have now had three members become Wales YFC Chairman. Katie wished the organisation the best for the future and handed the Chain of Office to Caryl.

Accepting the Chain of Office, Caryl thanked Ceredigion for the nomination. She noted that as a young member, she never thought she would be here as Wales YFC Chairman. Even with the

pandemic, the last two years have been a pleasure and she was looking forward to the year ahead.

She thanked Katie, noting that it hasn't been an easy time but that she had done a job and a half.

As the new Chairman, she asked that we support each other as counties and work together. Caryl thanked her club, Llanddewi Brefi and noted that she was looking forward to a year of enjoyment, and travelling to every county, hoping to meet as many members as possible.

8.6 Wales YFC Vice Chairman

One nomination for the post of Wales YFC Vice Chairman had been received for consideration.

Hefin Evans, Carmarthenshire

Proposer: Iestyn Owen, Carmarthenshire

Seconder: Tania Hancock, Pembrokeshire

With no other nominations received from the floor, Hefin Evans was duly elected as Vice Chairman of Wales YFC for the YFC year 2021 / 2022.

C/09/2021

GREETINGS BY FIVE NATIONS REPRESENTATIVES

Members from each of the 5 Nations countries represented were invited to address members in attendance, unfortunately some were unable to attend and had sent a video recording instead.

NFYFC and Scottish YFC spoke about the difficulties faced due to the Covid pandemic and highlighted the importance of continuing to work more together in the new YFC year. Both organisations applauded Wales YFC for the past year and wished the incoming team the best of luck.

C/10/

2021 PRESENTATIONS

10.1

Chairman's Campaign

Caryl Haf noted that it is important to look after our own organisations, however one of our strengths is our charity work, raising thousands and thousands over the years. She encouraged clubs and counties to look after themselves first, as without them, there is no Wales YFC.

The charity for this year will be Dementia Alzheimer's Cymru. A charity very close to Caryl as her Mother suffered with the illness. Whilst Caryl hopes to raise money, she also importantly, looks to raise awareness with the organisation.

Caryl explained that she is planning for three dinners to be organised, one North, one Mid and one South. These will be to raise money but also to get members back together which is what YFC is about.

10.2

Nia Lloyd Presentation

On behalf of Council Katie and Caryl Haf, made a presentation to Nia Lloyd. Unfortunately, Nia was unable to be at the AGM, however flowers and a commemorative piece were presented and handed to Montgomery for safe delivery to Nia.

On behalf of Council, thanks were extended for her time with Wales YFC and she was wished good luck for the future and with her new ventures.

10.3

Membership Figures

It was noted that at this point during the AGM we would normally present the trophy to the federation with the highest membership increase. However, with the year of activities being cut short due to Covid-19 there have been no increases this year.

A recruitment and retention programme is being pulled together to support counties and clubs.

10.4 Members

Western Mail Trophy and Beynon Thomas Trophy for Junior

Beynon Thomas Trophy

The Beynon Thomas trophy for the Federation winning the highest number of marks in the activities programme for junior members during the YFC year 2020 / 2021 was awarded as follows:

12th – Meirionnydd
11th – Eryri
=9th – Clwyd
=9th – Gwent
8th – Ynys Mon
7th – Glamorgan
6th – Radnor
=4th – Brecknock
=4th – Carmarthenshire
3rd – Ceredigion
2nd – Montgomery

Winning Federation: Pembrokeshire

Western Mail Trophy

The Western Mail trophy for the Federation winning the highest number of marks in all the YFC programmes of work in 2020 / 2021 was awarded as follows:

- 12th – Eryri
- 11th – Meirionnydd
- 10th – Ynys Mon
- 9th – Gwent
- 8th – Glamorgan
- 7th – Clwyd
- 6th – Radnor
- 5th – Brecknock
- 4th – Carmarthenshire
- 3rd – Ceredigion
- 2nd – Pembrokeshire

Winning Federation: Montgomery

Thanks were extended to everyone for supporting the meeting and all were reminded about food afterwards.

Members were wished all the very best for the forthcoming twelve months.

As there was no other business the meeting was declared closed at 12.54pm

Signed: **Dated:**