

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD
CABINET BOARD – 25TH MARCH, 2011
POLICY AND RESOURCES

Cabinet Board Members:

Councillors: P.A.Rees (Chairman) and Mrs.A.P.Davies

Officer in Attendance:

D. Davies, M.Jones and Miss G.Cirillo

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Agreed that Councillor P.A.Rees be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF THE SOCIAL CARE, HEALTH AND HOUSING
CABINET BOARD HELD ON THE 10TH FEBRUARY, 2011**

Noted by the Committee.

Report of the Director of Finance and Corporate Services

3. **MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS**

Decisions:

1. That the following application be approved:-

(a) Phoenix Radio, Port Talbot Hospital – one payment of £250;

Reason for Decision:

In accordance with approved criteria.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

2. That the following application be refused:-

(a) Derby TOCH Children's Group.

Reason for Decision:

Not in accordance with approved criteria.

Implementation of Decision:

The decisions will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

4. **THE WELSH CHURCH ACT FUND**

Decisions:

That the following application be approved:-

St. Margarets Church – Crynant
60% of actual costs up to a maximum of £2,000

Reason for Decision:

In accordance with approved criteria.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

5. **COMMUNITY COUNCILS MINOR PROJECTS SCHEME**

Decision:

That the following applications be approved:-

- (a) Ystalyfera Community Council 50% up to a maximum of £10,000 in accordance with the schedule be made on receipt of paid invoices together with copy bank statements, in accordance with approved criteria;
- (b) Seven Sisters Community Council 60% up to a maximum of £12,000 in accordance with the schedule be made on receipt of paid invoices together with copy bank statements, in accordance with approved criteria.

Reason for Decision:

The decisions are in compliance with the approved policy.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

6. **RETIREMENT**

Decision:

Cabinet noted that Mr.M.Jones, Head of Revenues and Customer Services, has tendered his resignation which will take effect early in May 2011.

Mr.D.Davies, Director of Finance and Corporate Services, confirmed that the transfer of the Finance Functions from Mr. Jones to Mr.H.Jenkins, Head of Financial Services, would be effected providing that the recommendation will be approved at the next scheduled Personnel Committee to be held on the 6th April 2011.

Report of the Head of Financial Services

7. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

Report of the Head of Revenues and Customer Services

8. **TELL US ONCE PROJECT**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

Report of the Head of Corporate Strategy

9. **COMMUNITY SAFETY PROJECTS FUND**

Decision:

That the following applications be approved:-

1. Cwmgwrach Rugby Union Juniors Under 8's Team - £325.00;
2. Gwynfi Amateur Boxing Club – Save Our Club - £500.00;
3. Pontardawe Riverside Centre – Riverside International Mural - £500.00;
4. BRAG (Bryn Residents Action Committee) – Youth Activities - £500.00;
5. Port Talbot Town Cricket – Summer School - £500.00;
6. Afan Valley Fight Club – Equipment - £500.00;
7. Giants Grave and Briton Ferry Boys & Girls Club – Security Improvements - £1,000;

8. Safer Neath Port Talbot – Feel Safe Scheme - £3,800.

Reason for Decision:

In compliance with Council Policy.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

10. **EQUALITIES AND THE SINGLE EQUALITY SCHEME**

Decision:

That the establishment of a Review Group consisting of a number of Members of the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee be approved to help develop a Single Equality Scheme for the Council.

Reason for Decision:

To develop a Single Equality Scheme as required under the Equalities Act 2010 (Statutory Duties) (Wales Regulations) 2011.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

**Joint Report of the Head of Change Management and Innovation
and the Head of Revenues and Customer Services**

11. **QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR DATA**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

**Joint Report of the Head of Change Management and Innovation
and the Director of Environment**

12. **SICKNESS ABSENCE MANAGEMENT**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

Report of the Head of Change Management and Innovation

13. **OUTCOME AGREEMENT 2010-2011 TO 2012-2013**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

14. **QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR DATA –
OVERVIEW**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

Report of the Head of ICT

15. **APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE CORPORATE ICT
STRATEGY**

Decision:

That the publication and adoption of the ICT Strategy and the ICT
Technical Framework as detailed in the circulated report, be approved.

Reason for Decision:

In order to address weaknesses in the current ICT Strategy and provide
and adopt an up to date Corporate ICT Strategy.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

16. **MINUTES OF THE MARGAM JOINT CREMATORIUM COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 14TH JANUARY, 2011**

Decision:

That the Minutes be noted.

17. **ACCESS TO MEETINGS**

Decision:

That pursuant to Regulation 4(3) and (5) of Statutory Instrument 2001 No. 2290, the public be excluded for the following item of business which involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 14 and 15 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Private Report of the Head of Revenues and Customer Services

18. **BUSINESS RATES: APPLICATIONS FOR HARDSHIP RELIEF**

Decisions:

1. **C.C.L.C. – Units 33 and 34 Addison Road, Port Talbot**

That hardship relief of £401.56 for Unit 33 and £353.25 for Unit 34, be granted.

2. **H.E. – Old Swan Inn, Gurnos, Ystalyfera**

That relief of 50% of the increase in rates bill 2011/2012 be granted.

3. **AZ – t/a City Buffet, 8 Station Road, Port Talbot**

That the application be refused.

Reasons for Decisions:

1 and 2: In accordance with Council Policy.

3: As it is a new business and would have been able to access help from the Small Business Rate Relief Scheme.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

19. **COUNCIL TAX WRITE OFFS**

Decision:

That the irrecoverable Council Tax accounts, as outlined in the circulated report, be written off.

Reason for Decision:

The accounts are irrecoverable.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

CHAIRMAN