EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD CABINET BOARD -26^{TH} NOVEMBER, 2008 POLICY AND RESOURCES

Cabinet Board Members:

Councillors: C.Morgan and D.Vaughan (Chairman)

Officers in Attendance:

D.Davies, Mrs.K.Jones and A.Borthwick

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Agreed that Councillor D. Vaughan be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES CABINET BOARD HELD ON THE 16TH OCTOBER, 2008

Decision:

Noted by the Committee.

Report of the Director of Finance and Corporate Services

3. **MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS**

Decisions:

1. That the following applications for grant be approved in accordance with the criteria, as contained in the circulated report, in the sums shown below:

Friends of the Hospital, Port Talbot - £100;

Bibles for Children, Bath - £100;

Chernobyl Children Life Line, Neath - £100;

Glynneath Training Centre (VIEW) Glynneath £4,150 Annual Rental for the lease of Oddfellows Hall for a 25 year period, subject to a 5 yearly rent review from February 2005;

Blaenhonddan Community Council -£5,500 Annual Rental for the lease of Aberdulais Community Centre for a 25 year period subject to a 5 yearly rent review from November 2006.

2. That the following application be refused:

Nansi Richards Trust Fund, Corwen

3. That the following application be referred to the Directorate of Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning:-

Provision of Education and Training – Glynneath Training Centre (VIEW) Glynneath.

4. That consideration of the following application be deferred for further information to be obtained:-

Blaenhonddan Community Council – Annual Rental for the Lease of Caerwern Community Centre.

Reason for Decisions:

In accordance with approved criteria.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

4. WELSH CHURCH ACT FUND

Decisions:

1. That the undermentioned application received under the Welsh Church Act Fund be approved under the current criteria as contained in the circulated report, at 60% of the sum requested, up to a maximum of £2,000:

Bethania Chapel, Skewen

2. That the undermentioned applications be refused:-

Starlight Children's Foundation, Reading; Fairbridge, Swansea.

Reason for Decisions:

In accordance with approved criteria.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

Report of the Head of Corporate Strategy

5. SCRUTINY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Decision:

That the report be noted.

6. <u>CITIZENS' PANEL CONSULTATION</u>

Decision:

That the report be noted.

7. WELSH LANGUAGE BOARD COMMENTS ON THE COUNCIL'S WELSH LANGUAGE SCHEME ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT

Decision:

That the report be noted.

8. WORKING FOR EQUALITIES IN WALES – PROPOSALS FOR CHANGES TO THE PROMOTING EQUALITY FUND

Decision:

That the report be noted.

9. CORPORATE STRATEGY TEAM – BUSINESS PLAN 2008/09

Decision:

That the report be noted.

10. RACE EQUALITY SCHEME – ANNUAL REPORT

Decision:

That the report be noted.

Report of the Head of Financial Services

11. TREASURY MANAGEMENT

Decisions:

- 1. That the revised Treasury Management Policy, as detailed in the circulated report, be approved;
- 2. That the Authority contribute towards the shared costs associated with the recovery of the funds deposited in the Banks, as detailed in the circulated report.

Reason for Decisions:

To comply with the Authority's Treasury Management Strategy and to provide the approval to share costs associated with the recovery of monies invested in Banks affected by administration/receivership.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

12. TENDER FOR THE RE-IMPLEMENTATION OF ORACLE VERSION R12

Decision:

That the report be noted.

Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services

13. <u>APPOINTMENT OF HM CORONER – NEATH PORT TALBOT DISTRICT</u>

Decisions:

- 1. That the appointment of Mr. Philip Rogers as HM Coroner for the Neath Port Talbot District, be noted;
- 2. That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be granted delegated powers to agree terms for computer software to support the Coroner Service.

Reason for Decisions:

To provide for the efficient performance of the Service.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

14. <u>AUTHORISATION FOR A LEGAL OFFICER TO APPEAR IN</u> THE MAGISTRATES' AND COUNTY COURTS

Decision:

That David Madoc-Jones:

- (a) be authorised to represent Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council in the County Court;
- (b) be authorised to represent Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council in the Magistrates' Court pursuant to Section 223 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

for the period that he is with the Authority under the Exchange Agreement.

Reason for Decision:

To enable the named Officer to represent the Authority in the County Court and in the Magistrates' Court.

Implementation of Decision:

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

15. LICENSING BUSINESS PLAN 2008/09

Decision:

That the report be noted.

16. <u>WEST GLAMORGAN JOINT CHILDCARE LEGAL SERVICE</u> BUSINESS PLAN 2008/09

Decision:

That the report be noted.

17. **URGENT ITEMS**

Because of the need to deal now with the matters contained in Minute Nos. 18, 19 and 20 below, the Chairman agreed that these could be raised at today's meeting as urgent items pursuant to Statutory Instrument No. 2290 (as amended).

Reason:

Due to the time element.

Urgent Report of the Head of Change Management and Innovation

18. PROPOSED LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WALES) MEASURE – CONSULTATION RESPONSE – NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Decision:

That the draft response to the Assembly Committee's Consultation Exercise in respect of the Local Government (Wales) Measure be approved, subject to the revised response tabled at the meeting regarding National Minimum Standards.

Reason for Decision:

To comply with the request of the Assembly Committee to comment upon the proposals contained within the draft Measure.

Implementation of Decision:

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

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

Decision:

That the report be noted.

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

20. QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR DATA – CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE AND FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE

Decision:

That the report be noted.

CHAIRMAN