

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD
CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

31 JULY 2019

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: C.Clement-Williams and D.Jones

Officers in Attendance:

C.Griffiths, H.Jones, A.Hinder and T.Davies

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor C.Clement-Williams be appointed Chairperson for the meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Decision:

That the Minutes of the previous meeting of Cabinet (Finance) Sub Committee held on 10 July, 2019, be approved.

3. **MISCELLANEOUS GRANT FUND APPLICATIONS**

Decisions:

1. That grant assistance of £800 per annum to Scouts Wales, Glamorgan West Area, Cimla, towards the lease of land and Scouts buildings at Cimla Crescent Cimla, subject to review in line with rent reviews, be approved;
2. That grant assistance of £1660 per annum to Scouts Wales, Glamorgan West Area, Neath, towards lease of land and Scouts

buildings at Maes y Ffynon Close Neath, subject to review in line with rent reviews, be approved;

3. That grant assistance of £440 per annum to Coed Hirwaun Community Association, towards the lease of a Multi use games area at Coed Hirwaun Playing Fields, Margam, Port Talbot, subject to review in line with rent reviews, be approved.

Reason for Decisions:

To decide on providing financial support in respect of the grant applications received.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

4. **WELSH CHURCH ACT TRUST FUND APPLICATION**

Decisions:

That grant assistance towards the cost of new heating system and external remedial works to preserve and maintain the fabric of the building, at St Mary's Church, The Rectorial Benefice of Aberavon, on the basis that if expenditure exceeds £50,000, a maximum amount of £4,000 be granted or if less than £50,000, 25% of actual costs incurred up to the maximum of £1,000, be awarded.

Reason for Decision:

To decide on providing financial support in respect of the grant application received.

Implementation of Decision:

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

5. **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 items of business which involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

6. **COUNCIL TAX WRITE OFFS**

Decision:

That the Council Tax Write Offs, for the amounts described in the private circulated report, be agreed.

Reason for Decision:

As the accounts are irrecoverable.

Implementation of Decision:

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

7. **HARDSHIP RELIEF**

Decision:

That the Business Rates Hardship Relief for the application as detailed within the private, circulated report, be refused.

Reasons for Decision:

1. The long term viability of the business could not be guaranteed.
2. The community would not be adversely affected by the loss of the business in the Neath area.
3. The business does not have a large workforce, job losses would be minimal.

4. The applicant should have be more proactive in providing information to the Valuation Office in seeking a reduction in his business rates.

Implementation of Decision:

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

8. **HOUSING BENEFIT WRITE OFFS**

Decision:

That the Housing Benefit Write Offs, for the amounts described in the private, circulated report, be agreed.

Reason for Decision:

The account is irrecoverable for the details provided within the private circulated report.

Implementation of Decision:

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

9. **SUNDRY DEBTORS WRITE OFFS**

Decision:

That the Sundry Debtor Write Offs, for the amounts described in the private, circulated report, be agreed.

Reason for Decision:

As the amounts due are irrecoverable.

Implementation of Decision:

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

CHAIRPERSON