



CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

***Immediately Following Cabinet on
WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2021***

VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

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1. Appointment of Chairperson
2. Welcome and Roll Call
3. Chairperson's Announcements
4. Declarations of Interest
5. Minutes of Previous Meeting (*Pages 5 - 8*)
3 February 2021
6. Miscellaneous Grant Fund Applications (*Pages 9 - 14*)
7. Urgent Items
Any urgent items (whether public or exempt), at the discretion of the Chairperson pursuant to Statutory Instrument 2001 No 2290 (as amended)

K.Jones
Chief Executive

Cabinet Board Members:

Councillors: C.Clement-Williams and D.Jones

Notes:

- (1) *If any Cabinet Board Member is unable to attend, any other Cabinet Member may substitute as a voting Member on the Committee. Members are asked to make these arrangements direct and then to advise Democratic Services staff.*
- (2) *The views of the earlier Scrutiny Committee are to be taken into account in arriving at decisions (pre decision scrutiny process). The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the relevant Scrutiny Committee will be invited to be present at this meeting.*

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EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD
CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE
3 FEBRUARY 2021

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: C.Clement-Williams (Chairperson) and D.Jones

Officers in Attendance:

H.Jenkins, C.Griffiths, H.Jones, H.Lewis and J. Woodman-Ralph

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

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

2. **CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No Chairperson's announcements were received.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

4. **MISCELLANEOUS GRANT FUND APPLICATIONS**

Decision:

That Briton Ferry Community Library be granted £3,000 pa in relation to the rent increase of £3,190 pa towards the cost of rent of Briton Ferry Community Library subject to review in line with rent reviews from 1st April 2021.

Reason for Decision:

To enable the Council to consider the amount of 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**

RESOLVED: 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 of the Local Government Act 1972.

6. **GLAMORGAN FURTHER EDUCATION TRUST FUND**

Members noted that the amount of applications being received was continuing to reduce, due to the availability of other grants which impacted on the eligibility criteria of this grant.

Decisions:

1. That applications to the Glamorgan Further Education Trust Fund for academic year 2020/2021 as detailed in Appendix B and C of the circulated report be approved.
2. That the allocation of monies be up to a maximum of £3,760.50 for 3 full-time students as detailed in Appendix B of the circulated report.
3. That the allocation of monies be up to a maximum of £1,880.25 for 2 part-time students as detailed in Appendix C of the circulated report.
4. That payments to those approved applicants for whom receive continuing support from the Glamorgan Further Education Trust Fund be authorised.

Reason for Decisions:

To provide appropriate financial support for students who would otherwise suffer hardship.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

7. **THE HAROLD AND JOYCE CHARLES TRUST**

As previously stated, Members noted the impact that the availability of other grants was having on the number of applications being received that met the eligibility criteria for this grant.

Decisions:

1. That the eligible applications received on or before the closing date to the Harold and Joyce Charles Fund for academic year 2020/2021 as detailed in Appendix B of the circulated report be approved.
2. That the allocation of monies be £3,760.50 for 3 full-time students as detailed in Appendix B of the circulated report.
3. That payments to those approved applicants for whom receive continuing support from the Harold and Joyce Charles Fund be approved.

Reason for Decisions:

To provide appropriate financial support for students who would otherwise suffer hardship.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the 3 day call in period.

8. **BUSINESS RATES WRITE OFFS**

Decision:

That approval be granted to write off the amounts as detailed in Appendix 1 of the circulated report.

Reason for Decision:

The business rate accounts are irrecoverable.

Implementation of Decision:

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

CHAIRPERSON



Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot
Neath Port Talbot Council

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

24 FEBRUARY 2021

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES – HYWEL JENKINS

Matters for Decision

**Wards Affected: Baglan, Bryn & Cwmavon, Sandfields West,
Taibach**

Report Title – Miscellaneous Grant Fund Applications

Purpose of the Report:

1. To seek Member approval in relation to grant applications received at Appendix 1 attached.

Background and Financial Impacts

2. The Council has a Miscellaneous Grants Scheme to support individual applications for grants in line with the criteria set out below:-

Existing Policy Statement

- a) Each application will be considered on its merits.
- b) The Committee will only approve applications for financial assistance from voluntary or charitable organisations which are manifestly committed to voluntary endeavours of a local nature. This will not preclude the consideration of applications where the disposal of funds is outside the area but still provides significant benefits for the people from the Neath Port Talbot area.
- c) No applications will be considered from religious bodies except relating to church halls and other premises where there is significant community use of the property for non-religious activities.
- d) No applications will be considered from other public funded bodies such as community councils, hospital trusts, etc. or where the benefit may be in lieu of their contributions such as appeals for hospital equipment.
- e) Applications from individuals may be considered where both the person and the community derive a benefit.
- f) No grants will be made to any individual or organisation whose prime purpose is to distribute their funds to other charitable bodies.

Miscellaneous Grant funding available

- 3. Members have approved a budget of £2,500 for miscellaneous grants for 2020/21

Integrated Impact Assessment

- 4. There are no impacts in respect of the obligations to the Council under the Equality Act 2010, the Welsh Language Standards (No 1) Regulations 2015, the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 and support via this grant provides generally a positive impact in

respect of the Wellbeing and Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

Valleys Communities Impacts

5. Applications for grant are available to voluntary and charitable organisations across the county borough.

Workforce Impacts

6. There are no workforce impacts.

Legal Impacts

7. Grants are provided in line with the approved scheme criteria.

Risk Management Impacts

8. All grant applications are considered on their own merit and in line with the approved scheme criteria.

Consultation

9. There is no requirement for external consultation on this item.

Recommendation

10. It is recommended that Members approve the applications set out in Appendix 1 to this report.

Reason for Proposed Decision

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

Implementation of Decision

12. The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period

Appendices

13. Appendix 1 – Schedule of grant applications.

List of Background Papers

14. Grant Applications

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SCHEDULE OF GRANT APPLICATIONS

Applicant	Purpose	Amount Request/Cost of "Project"	Previous Support	Comments
Tyn y Twr Bowling Club	The Trustees of Tyn y Twr Bowling Club have applied for grant assistance in relation to the Lease of Baglan Bowling Green, Baglan Park	Grant towards the cost of rent of £220 pa	P&R March 2014 approved 100% grant of £200 pa	Provide grant of £200 p.a. subject to review in line with rent reviews wef from 1 April 2021
Bryn Residents Action Group	The Trustees of Bryn Residents Action Group have applied for grant assistance in relation to the Lease of Multi use games area Bryn Welfare Park	Grant towards the cost of rent of £330 pa	P&R board 2014 approved grant of £270.00 p.a towards rent of £300 pa	Provide grant of £285 subject to review in line with rent reviews wef from 1 st April 2021

TDM Community Studio CIC	TDM Community Studio CIC have applied for grant assistance in relation to the Lease of Mozart Drive Community Centre, Port Talbot	Grant towards the cost of rent of £5,874 pa	P&R board 19/02/2015 approved 100% grant of £5,340 p.a.	Provide grant of £5,500 p.a. subject to review in line with rent reviews wef from 1 April 2021
Trustees of Taibach Community Library	Trustees of Taibach Community Library have applied for grant assistance in relation to the Lease of Taibach library Port Talbot	Grant towards the cost of rent of £1,430 pa	P&R Board 22/5/14 approved a 100% grant of £1,300 p.a.	Provide grant of £1,330 p.a. subject to review in line with rent reviews wef from 1 April 2021