

CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

Immediately Following Cabinet on

WEDNESDAY, 2 JUNE 2021

VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

MOBILE TELEPHONES TO BE SWITCHED TO SILENT FOR THE DURATION OF THE MEETING

- 1. Appointment of Chairperson
- 2. Welcome and Roll Call
- 3. Declarations of Interest
- 4. Miscellaneous Grant Fund Applications (Pages 5 10)
- 5. Community Councils Minor Project Scheme Ystalyfera Town Council (Pages 11 14)
- 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

Civic Centre Port Talbot

26th May 2021

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.





NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

2 JUNE 2021

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

Matters for Decision

Wards Affected: Gwaun Cae Gurwen, Gwynfi, Bryn and Cwmavon

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 nonreligious 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 2021/22. There are no commitments against this budget to date.

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 application 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

Officer Contact

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APPENDIX 1

SCHEDULE OF GRANT APPLICATION

Applicant	Purpose	Amount Request/Cost of "Project"	Previous Support	Comments
Cwm Gors Football Club Gwaun Cae Gurwen	The Trustees of Cwm Gors Football Club have applied for grant assistance in relation to the Lease of Maerdy Playing Fields	Grant towards the cost of rent of £825.00 pa	P&R board 09/04/2015 approved 100% grant of £750 pa	Provide grant of £825 for 2021/22 and then £775 per annum subject to review in line with rent reviews wef from 1st April 2022

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Gwynfi United AFC	The Trustees of Gwynfi United AFC have applied for grant assistance in relation to the lease of Playing Field and Pavilion, Beatrice Street, Blaengwynfi	Grant towards the cost of rent of £1,320.00 pa	P&R board 28/05/2015 approved 100% grant of £1,200.00	Provide grant of £1,320 for 2021/22 and then £1,250 per annum subject to review in line with rent reviews wef from 1st April 2022
Bryn RFC and Cricket Clubs	The Trustees of Bryn RFC and Cricket Clubs have applied for grant assistance in relation to the lease of Bryn Recreation Ground and Pavilion	Grant towards the cost of rent of £1,210	P&R board 19/02/2015 approved 100% grant of £1,100	Provide grant of £1,210 for 2021/22 and then £1,160 per annum subject to review in line with rent reviews wef from 1st April 2022



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CABINET

2 JUNE 2021

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

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected – Ystalyfera

Report Title – Community Councils Minor Projects Scheme – Application from Ystalyfera Community Council

Purpose of Report

1. To seek Members' approval to provide a grant to Ystalyfera Community Council under the Council's Community Councils Minor Projects Scheme.

Background

- 2. Neath Port Talbot Council has approved a Community Council Minor Projects Grants Scheme in order to assist Community Councils in undertaking minor capital projects. Approved grants are required to be claimed within two years of approval.
- 3. The Council has received an application for grant aid under the above mentioned scheme from Ystalyfera Community Council. This application is for grant assistance towards the cost of repair work to the roof of the Community Hall, Ystalyfera which is owned by the Ystalyfera Community Council. The roof has not been replaced since the building was built back in the 1980's. The roof is flat and covered in felt. Recently there has been water coming into the building from the roof. The estimated cost of the works overall is £23,000 plus recoverable VAT.

- 4. The Hall is a valued community hub in Ystalyfera that enables local residents to socialise and come together in a safe environment. The Community Council updated the toilet facilities to include improved disabled facilities in 2019 and the hall is now accessible to all in the community.
- 5. The balance of the project costs will be financed from the Community Council reserves.

Proposal and Financial Impact

6. The application from Ystalyfera Community Council complies with the conditions of grant and is entitled to grant support at 50% up to a maximum of £10,000 in accordance with the Minor Projects Grants Scheme and payment be made on receipt of paid invoices together with a copy bank statement.

Integrated Impact Assessment

7. 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 is a positive impact in respect of the Wellbeing and Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

Valleys Communities Impacts

8. Applications for grant are available to Community Councils across the county borough.

Workforce Impacts

9. There are no workforce impacts.

Legal Impacts

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

Risk Management Impacts

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

Consultation

12. There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

Recommendation

13. It is recommended that Members approve a grant of 50% of actual costs up to a maximum of £10,000 to Ystalyfera Community Council.

Reason for Proposed Decision

14. The decision is in compliance with the approved policy and to enable community improvements.

Implementation of Decision

15. The decision is proposed for implementation after the 3 day call-in period.

List of Background Papers

16. Application from Ystalyfera Community Council.

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