

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

28th October 2016

Report of the Head of Transformation A. D. Thomas

Matter for Monitoring

Ward(s) Affected: All

Project Development & Funding Unit Service Report Card

Purpose of the Report

1. To present for Scrutiny the Report Card for the Project Development and Funding Unit within the Directorate of Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning.

Executive Summary

2. The Project Development & Funding Unit is a valid contributor to fostering community spirit, growing inward investment and promoting better health and well-being, by helping to generate the best financial opportunities for education, culture, environmental and leisure based activities.

The Unit is responsible for seeking out grant aid for a range of client groups which include the Voluntary Sector, Schools, Town and Community Councils and the Directorate of E.L.L.L. as a whole.

The Report Card, in Appendix A summarises the Service priorities, key measures and the financial performance associated with the Project Development & Funding Unit in 2016/17.

Background

3. The Project Development and Funding Service is a non - statutory service which generates in excess of £700,000 annually from externally sourced grants. In addition, the Unit is now responsible for managing 12 separate Community Benefit Grant Schemes which originate from Wind, Solar, Biomass and Opencast Planning Consents.

The Unit works closely with the Strategic Schools Improvement Programme (SSIP) Team in the derivation of the Community Impact Assessments (CIA's) that underpin the SSIP decision making processes.

98% of respondents in a recent Customer Satisfaction Survey indicated that the citizen centred service provided was both efficient and effective.

Financial Impact

4. There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

Equality Impact Assessment

5. There are no equality impacts associated with this report.

Workforce Impacts

6. There are no workforce impacts associated with this report.

Legal Impacts

7. There are no legal impacts associated with this report.

Risk Management

8. There are no risk management issues associated with this report.

Consultation

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

Recommendations

10. That the report be noted.

Appendices

11. Service Report Card

List of Background Papers

12. None

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