#### NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

## **CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE**

#### **12 SEPTEMBER 2018**

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

Matters for Decision Wards Affected

#### MISCELLANEOUS GRANT FUND APPLICATION

### 1. Purpose of Report

To seek Member approval in relation to grant application received.

## 2. Background and Financial Impact

# **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.

# 4. Miscellaneous Grant funding available

Members have approved a budget of £3,650 for miscellaneous grants for 2018/19

#### 5. Consultation

There is no requirement under the Constitution to consult on these items.

#### 6. Recommendation

It is recommended that Members determine the application set out in Appendix 1 of this report.

# 7. Reason for Proposed Decision

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

# 8. Implementation of Decision

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

# 9. List of Background Papers

**Grant Application** 

# 10. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Miscellaneous Grant Application

#### 11. Officer Contact

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# Appendix 1

# **Miscellaneous Grant Application**

Applicant	Purpose	Amount Request/Cost of "Project"	Previous Support	Comments
Celtic Credit Union (formerly NPT Credit Union)	Grant assistance towards a Christmas Loans leaflet campaign (100,000 homes) across Neath Port Talbot and Swansea prior to Christmas 2018.  The aim is to promote Celtic Credit Union as an ethical, affordable and responsible alternative to illegal loan sharks and high- interest doorstep, online and high street lenders in the run-up to the most financially challenging time of year for low income families i.e. Christmas.  A request has also been made to	Grant assistance towards the cost of £4,300.	None	Provide grant of £2,000
	Swansea Council to support this initiative. A bid has also been made for financial support for a Christmas 2019 campaign to the Wales Illegal Money Lending Unit.			