

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

17 DECEMBER, 2018

CABINET

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: R.G.Jones (Chair), C.Clement-Williams, D.Jones, E.V.Latham, A.R.Lockyer, P.A.Rees, P.D.Richards and A.Wingrave

Invitees: Councillor A.N. Woolcock (Chairperson of the Scrutiny Committee)
Councillor S.Rahaman (Vice Chairperson of the Scrutiny Committee)

Officers in Attendance:

S.Phillips, K.Jones, H.Jenkins, G.Nutt, C.Griffiths, C.Furlow, N.Headon and C.Davies

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor R.G.Jones be appointed Chairperson, for the meeting.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

The following Member made a declaration of interest:

Councillor D.Jones Re: Report of the Corporate Director's Group in relation to Agenda Item 3, Cabinet Response to Council Task and Finish Group on the Valleys, as she a Trustee of CVS and Trustee of Age Connects Neath Port Talbot.

Councillor D.Jones withdrew from the meeting for this item.

3. **CABINET RESPONSE TO COUNCIL TASK AND FINISH GROUP ON THE VALLEYS**

Councillor D.Jones reaffirmed her interest and withdrew from the meeting for this item only.

Decisions:

1. That Cabinet endorse the response, as outlined in Appendix 1 of the circulated report and the analysis, particularly in relation to growth poles;
2. That the Chief Executive enter into partnership with the Bevan Foundation and confirms this Council's support for their proposed work, as contained in Appendix 3 of the circulated report, to build economic development in the valley communities of South Wales, and to make a contribution of up to £10,000 to the work.

Reason for Decisions:

To enable to the Cabinet to respond to the Task and Finish Group, and progress work on a number of issues identified in the response.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

4. **THIRD SECTOR GRANT FUNDING - AWARD OF GRANTS 2019/20**

Councillor D.Jones reaffirmed her interest and withdrew from the meeting for this item.

Decisions:

1. That the monitoring arrangements for the current grant recipients, as contained in the circulated report, be noted;
2. That the 2019/20 Budget for Third Sector Grants be increased by £100,000 to £513,630;

3. That the award of Grants to the Third Sector organisations, as set out in Appendices 1 and 2 of the circulated report, be approved;
4. That grants are not awarded for the applications set out in Appendix 3 of the circulated report.

Reason for Decisions:

To determine grants to Third Sector Organisations in line with the Council's scheme.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions are for immediate implementation. The Chair of the Scrutiny Committee had agreed to this course of action, there would therefore be no call in of these decisions.

5. **URGENT ITEMS**

Because of the need to deal now with the matter contained in Minute No. 6 below, the Chairperson agreed this could be raised at today's meeting as an urgent item pursuant to Section 100B (4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Reason:

Due to the time element.

6. **COMMERCIALISATION OF SERVICES**

Decision:

That the Assistant Chief Executive and Chief Digital Officer extend the existing contract with the Association of Public Service Excellence, under Paragraph 3.1.(vii) of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules, to provide the services set out as "the proposal" in the body of the circulated report, up to a maximum value of £50,000.

Reason for Decision:

To ensure that the Council can further develop its approach to income generation.

Implementation of Decision:

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

CHAIRPERSON