

# **POLICY AND RESOURCES CABINET BOARD**

**27 NOVEMBER 2014**

## **REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

### **SECTION A – MATTERS FOR DECISION**

**Wards Affected - Pontardawe, Seven Sisters, Briton Ferry**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS APPLICATIONS**

##### **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.

##### **Budget for 2014/15**

The following grants are included and have been approved within this budget:-

	<b>Budget 2014/15 £</b>
Citizen Advice Bureau	82,680
Neath Port Talbot Council for Voluntary Service	45,494
Racial Equality Council	15,900
Maintenance of Mechanics Institute (in lieu of grant aid to Antiquarians & Archives)	14,037
West Glamorgan Association for the Blind	2,100
One-off grants	949
Total	<u>161,160</u>

### **New Grant Applications**

Please see Appendix 1.

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that Members:

- Decide on the applications set out in Appendix 1.

### **Reason for proposed decision**

To decide on the funding application.

### **List of Background Papers**

Letters of application.

### **Appendix**

Appendix 1 –Miscellaneous Grant Applications.

### **Officer Contact**

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## **COMPLIANCE STATEMENT**

### **MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS APPLICATIONS**

(a) **Implementation of Decision**

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

(b) **Sustainability Appraisal**

Community Plan Impacts:

Economic Prosperity	Positive
Education and Lifelong Learning	Positive
Better Health and Well Being	Positive
Environment and Transport	Positive
Crime and Disorder	No impact

Other Impacts:

Welsh Language	No impact
Sustainable Development	Neutral
Equalities	Positive
Social Inclusion	Positive

(c) **Consultation**

There has been no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

**APPENDIX 1**

**MISCELLANEOUS GRANT APPLICATIONS**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount Request/ Cost of "Project"</b>	<b>Previous Support</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Citizens Advice Bureau	Rental of a room/presence in the Pontadawe (Hub) to 30 November 2015	£40 per week based on occupation for 2 days per week	Initial 6 months rent free (during Hub Pilot period)	Provide grant to fully cover rent to 30 November 2015. Occupancy & Grant subject to review.
NPT Credit Union	Rental of accomodation in the former One Stop Shop in Pontadawe (Hub) from 29 September 2014 to 28 September 2017.	£130 per week based on service provision from Monday to Friday per week	None	Provide grant to fully cover rent in line with rent licence agreement. Occupancy & Grant subject to review.
Friends of Seven Sisters	Lease of Recreational Land at Seven Sisters for 25 years with 5 year reviews	£500 p.a.	None	Provide grant to fully cover rent for initial 5 year period the subject to review.
Seven Sisters RFC & Seven Sisters AFC	Joint Lease of Playing Fields at Seven Sisters for 25 years with 5 year reviews	£500 p.a.	None	Provide grant to fully cover rent for initial 5 year period the subject to review.

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Trustees of Giants Grave & Briton Ferry Boys Club	Lease of Parc Newydd Playing Fields for 25 years with 5 year reviews	£650 p.a.	None	Provide grant to fully cover rent for initial 5 year period the subject to review.
Bibles for Children Bath	To give free bibles to children in primary schools	No amount specified	£100 approved in 2012	Propose no grant is made due to council funds

