



Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot
Neath Port Talbot Council

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

20 NOVEMBER 2019

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

Matters for Decision

Wards Affected: Cwmllynfell, Gwynfi and All

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 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.

Miscellaneous Grant funding available

- 3. Members have approved a budget of £2,650 for miscellaneous grants for 2019/20

1. Valleys Communities Impacts

Applications for grant are available to voluntary and charitable organisations across the county borough.

2. Workforce Impacts

There are no workforce impacts.

3. Legal Impacts

Grants are provided in line with the approved scheme criteria.

4. Risk Management Impacts

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

5. Consultation

There is no requirement for external consultation on this item.

6. Recommendation

It is recommended that Members approve the applications set out in Appendix 1 to this report.

7. Reason for Proposed Decision

To decide on the amount of financial support in respect of the grant applications received.

8. Implementation of Decision

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

9. **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Schedule of grant applications.

10. **List of Background Papers**

Grant Applications

11. **Officer Contact**

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Appendix 1

Schedule of Grant Applications

Applicant	Purpose	Amount Request/Cost of "Project"	Previous Support	Comments
Cwmllynfell and District Bowls Club	Grant assistance towards the rent amount of lease of bowling green at Heol Gwilym Cwmllynfell	Grant towards the increased cost of rent of £220 p.a.	Provided with grant of £200 p.a. for five years from 2014.	Provide grant of £200 p.a. subject to review in line with rent reviews.
Gwynfi Bowls Club	Grant assistance towards the rent amount of lease of bowling green at Blaengwynfi Recreation Park. It should be noted that the Bowls Club also rent the pavilion and benefit from a grant of £650 pa. The rent review on this is ongoing until January 2022.	Grant towards the increased cost of rent of £220 p.a.	Provided with grant of £200 p.a. for five years from 2014.	Provide grant of £200 p.a. subject to review in line with rent reviews.
British Red Cross	Application received to support those in crisis across Neath Port Talbot. They provide wheelchair loan scheme (147 loans), crisis response (83 people), support at home (623 referrals) as well as other support to people in communities throughout the UK including NPT (the numbers mentioned above relate to activity in NPT during 2018).	No specific amount requested.	No previous support has been provided during the last five years.	Provide grant of £500 for general support towards the mentioned activity