

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

17 MARCH 2020

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES – H.JENKINS

Matters for Decision

Wards Affected: All

Report Title – 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 nonreligious 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

Integrated Impact Assessment

There are no impacts in respect of the obligations to the Council under the Equality Act 2010, the Welsh Language Standards (No 1) Regulations 2015, the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 and support via this grant provides generally a positive impact in

respect of the Wellbeing and Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

Valleys Communities Impacts

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

Workforce Impacts

6. There are no workforce impacts.

Legal Impacts

7. Grants are provided in line with the approved scheme criteria.

Risk Management Impacts

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

Consultation

- 9. There is no requirement for external consultation on this item.
- 10. It is recommended that Members approve the applications set out in Appendix 1 to this report.

Reason for Proposed Decision

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

Implementation of Decision

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

Appendices

13. Appendix 1 – Schedule of grant applications.

List of Background Papers

14. Grant Applications

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Appendix 1

Schedule of Grant Application

Applicant	Purpose	Amount Request/Cost of "Project"	Previous Support	Comments
Celtic Credit Union – Neath Port Talbot Credit Union	One off grant to assist with costs associated with the development of new premises in Port Talbot.	No specific amount requested.	N/A	To provide a one off grant of £5,000
Cricket Wales Criced Cymru Seniors	One off grant to assist with Equipment costs for 2 residents of NPT who have been selected to represent Wales at the Inaugural over 60's Cricket World Cup in Brisbane Australia 2020.	£250 has been requested for each representative.	N/A	

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Appendix 1

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Thrive Women's Aid	In 2015 WG introduced the VAWDASV Act requiring a local strategy be put in place for 2016. This grant will enable the organization to assist the council to train staff, increase the level of awareness raising in our communities etc. The Act has inevitably generated greater footfall for our local services. It is proposed that an agreed schedule of outcomes will be built into a legal agreement for this one off grant.	One off grant to assist Thrive in delivering frontline service provision. No specific amount requested.	None	To provide a one off grant of £15,000.