



NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

Urgency Action - 30 June 2020

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

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected – Crynant

Report Title – Community Councils Minor Projects Scheme – Application from Crynant Community Council

Purpose of Report

1. To seek Members' approval to provide a grant to Crynant Community Council under the Council's Minor Projects Scheme.

Background

2. Neath Port Talbot Council has approved a Community Council Minor Projects Grants Scheme in order to assist Community Councils in undertaking minor capital projects. Approved grants are required to be claimed within two years of approval.
3. The Council has received an application for grant aid under the above mentioned scheme from Crynant Community Council. This application is for grant assistance towards the cost of works to provide the Community with a new PUMP Track as the existing bike track is no longer fit for purpose. The estimated cost of the works is £24,925 plus recoverable VAT.
4. The balance of the project costs will be financed from the Community Council earmarked reserves.

Proposal and Financial Impact

5. The application from Crynant Community Council complies with the conditions of grant and is entitled to grant support at 60% up to a maximum of £12,000 in accordance with the Minor Projects Grants Scheme and payment be made on receipt of paid invoices together with a copy bank statement.

Integrated Impact Assessment

6. 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 is a positive impact in respect of the Wellbeing and Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

Valleys Communities Impacts

7. Applications for grant are available to Community Councils across the county borough.

Workforce Impacts

8. There are no workforce impacts.

Legal Impacts

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

Risk Management Impacts

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

Consultation

11. There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

Recommendation

12. It is recommended that Members approve a grant of 60% of actual costs up to a maximum of £12,000 to Crynant Community Council.

Reason for Proposed Decision

13. The decision is in compliance with the approved policy and to enable community improvements.

Implementation of Decision

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

List of Background Papers

15. Application form from Crynant Community Council.

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