

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 – Glynneath

Report Title – Community Councils Minor Projects Scheme – Application from Glynneath Town Council

Purpose of Report

1. To seek Members' approval to provide a grant to Glynneath Town 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 Glynneath Town Council. This application is for grant assistance towards the cost of works to implement a new drainage scheme and resurfacing improvements along Glynneath cemetery driveway which will alleviate problems associated with surface water from the area. The estimated cost of the works is £30,000 £35,000 plus recoverable VAT.

4. The Town Council is looking to utilise their own resources or will apply for an external loan from the PWLB to cover the remaining cost of the project.

Proposal and Financial Impact

5. The application from Glynneath Town Council complies with the conditions of grant and is entitled to grant support at 50% up to a maximum of £10,000 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 50% of actual costs up to a maximum of £10,000 to Glynneath Town 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 Glynneath Town Council.

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