

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

22 SEPTEMBER 2020

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

Matter for Decision

Wards Affected: All

Report Title – Miscellaneous Grant Fund Application

Purpose of the Report:

1. To seek Member approval in relation to grant application 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 £2,500 for miscellaneous grants for 2020/21

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 application 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 an urgent one for immediate implementation, subject to the consent of the relevant Scrutiny Chair and is therefore not subject to the call-in procedure.

Appendices

13. Appendix 1 – Schedule of grant application.

List of Background Papers

14. Grant Application

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Appendix 1

Schedule of Grant Application

Applicant	Purpose	Amount Request/Cost of "Project"	Previous Support	Comments
Celtic Credit Union	To provide grant assistance towards a Christmas Loans leaflet campaign. The costs for distributing Christmas Loan leaflets to approx. 100,000 homes across NPT and Swansea are around £4500. The split is roughly 55,000 homes in NPT and 45,000 in Swansea. However, it appears that Swansea are unable to assist this year. A contribution from NPT will only be used to distribute leaflets throughout NPT.	Approximately £4,500 for 100,000 leaflets across NPT and Swansea.	Granted £2,000 on 12.09.18.	To provide grant of £2,250 i.e. 50% of the total cost of £4,500