



Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot
Neath Port Talbot Council

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

20 OCTOBER 2021

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF FINANCE – HUW JONES

Matters for Decision

Wards Affected: Pontardawe, Neath South, Glyncothrog

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 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 £2,500 for miscellaneous grants for 2021/22. There are no commitments against this budget to date.

Integrated Impact Assessment

- 4. 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.

Recommendation

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 application 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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SCHEDULE OF GRANT APPLICATIONS

Applicant	Purpose	Amount Request/Cost of "Project"	Previous Support	Comments
<p>Pontardawe Arena Partnership.</p> <p>This is a not for profit charitable organisation that has coordinated volunteers to improve the visitor centre and other amenities on the Glantawe Riverside Park site.</p>	<p>The Partnership has applied for a grant towards the backdated increase in rent for the lease of the Visitor Centre at Glantawe Riverside Park, Pontardawe. The partnership also provides alternative curriculum education support to schools across the County Borough.</p> <p>The Partnership has a 25 year lease from 2008 at an initial rent of £1 pa.</p>	<p>Grant towards the cost of rent. Initial rent from 2008 was £1 pa. The first rent review was due from 1/12/2013 and rent increases to £2,000 pa, with further 3 yearly reviews from 1/12/2016 increasing to £2,250 pa and then to £2,500 pa from 1/12/2019.</p>	<p>Reduced rent of £1 pa was set and has not increased since initially set in 2008.</p>	<p>Due to the improvements carried out on site and the supportive education work of the partnership it is proposed that an annual grant for the full amount less £1 be granted for all years from 1 December 2013 to the next review date i.e. to 30 November 2022. The Partnership will continue to pay £1 per annum to 30 November 2022 when the next rent review period comes into effect.</p>

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Melyn United Bowls Club	The Trustees of Melyn United Bowls Club have applied for grant assistance in relation to the Lease of Bowls Pavilion at Mount Pleasant Recreation Ground, Hillside, Neath	Grant towards the cost of rent of £715 pa wef 4 November 2021 which is increasing from £650 pa	P&R board 18/02/2016 approved 100% grant of £650 pa	Due to Covid restrictions it is proposed to delay the increase in rent until 4 November 2022 and continue to provide existing grant of £650 pa until 3 November 2022. Thereafter a grant of £665 pa will be provided until the next rent review. Thus £50 pa is payable until the next rent review

<p>Ynyscorrwg Park CIO (Glyncorrwg RFC)</p>	<p>The Trustees of Ynyscorrwg Park CIO have applied for grant assistance in relation to the Lease of Playing Field ,pavilion and MUGA at Ynyscorrwg Park, Glyncorrwg, Port Talbot</p>	<p>Grant towards the cost of rent of £1,210 pa wef 16 July 2020 which is increasing from £1,100 pa</p>	<p>P&R board 04/09/2014 approved 100% grant of £1,100 pa</p>	<p>Due to Covid restrictions it is proposed to delay the increase in rent until 16 July 2022 and continue to provide existing grant of £1,100 pa until 15th July 2022. Thereafter a grant of £1,150 pa will be provided until the next rent review. Thus £60 pa is payable until the next rent review</p>
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