

Appendix Q.

Background or 'Project Specifics' – Application MF026/T2

To acquire essential training equipment for Cimla AFC Mini and Junior football teams and new kit for a new Under 11's team.

This bid has been developed to 'Assist Voluntary Sector providers' building upon the goodwill and time invested by a small loyal band of qualified coaches, volunteers and Safeguarding Officers.

The funding will be used to purchase a new kit for a developing Under 11's team, new goal posts (two pairs 12' x 6') to meet the current FAW Regulations for U 10's and Under 11's, cones, training bibs, drink bottles and SAQ (Speed, Agility and Quickness) training equipment.

The new acquisitions will help the Club remain attractive to the growing numbers of Under 7's, (mixed team) 10's, 11's (mixed team) and Under 16's that play at the Club. The additional equipment will meet the demand from an ever-increasing Mini and Junior Section. Coaching sessions (staged by 10 qualified personnel) can be stifled through lack of quality training equipment.

The need for this initiative has come to the attention of the local Ward Member. Concern has been voiced by coaching staff, parents and players that there is not enough appropriately sized training apparatus to keep pace with demand. In order to retain players it is important that the modern game of football is well equipped to ensure Under 7's, and all age groups to Under 16's, continue to affiliate to Cimla AFC.

Cimla AFC has been long established serving the Cimla, Neath and the Pelenna areas. The Club provides out of school hours activities for Primary school aged children attending Crynallt, St. Joseph's and the Gnoll. The new equipment will help in the staging of Mini Festivals of sport. With the demise of the Cimla RFC teams, football is now the mainstay in the Cimla area.

The scheme has no further financial implications for NPTCBC. The new equipment will be used by the children under the watchful eye of qualified FAW coaches.

Recommendations

The project is valued at £2,284.25, which is the full cost of procuring the equipment. The Applicant, Councillor John Warman would wish to fund this project with a proportion of his Members Fund allocation.

The project proposal is recommended for approval and financial support under the Members Community Fund.