NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET (POLICY AND RESOURCES) SUB COMMITTEE

7th March 2023

Report of the Chief Finance Officer – Huw Jones

Matter for: Decision

Wards Affected: All Wards

Third Sector Grant Funding - Additional applications for funding

Purpose of Report

To ask Members to consider additional applications for a third sector grant received after the official closing date and to seek approval on the award of grants to these organisations as set out in Appendix 1.

Executive Summary

Cabinet approved a schedule of third sector grants at their meeting on 30th November 2022.

Following that meeting officers were approached by the following organisations Citizens Advice Swansea Neath Port Talbot and NPT Shopmobility who had inadvertently failed to submit their applications for funding by the deadline for applications; and were therefore not considered for funding at that time.

This report requests that Members consider awarding grants to the strategic partners Citizens Advice Swansea Neath Port Talbot and NPT Shopmobility.

Assessment of Grant Application

The applications from Citizens Advice Swansea Neath Port Talbot and NPT Shopmobility have been assessed in line with all other applications received.

Based on the assessment Officers are proposing that a grant of £90,000 be awarded to Citizens Advice Swansea Neath Port Talbot and £47,000 be awarded to NPT Shopmobility for 2023/2024 as detailed in Appendix 1.

Financial Appraisal

There are additional resources forecast to be carried forward from 2022/23 to fund grant awards of £137,000.

Integrated Impact Assessment

An Equality Impact Assessment was completed as part of the initial development of the Grant Scheme in 2016 and a further Integrated Impact Assessment was completed as part of the changes to the Scheme in 2018. The Scheme was reviewed further in July 2022 with only minor amendments made.

Valleys Communities Impact

The applicants will be providing services to those living in valley communities.

Workforce Impact

There is no workforce impact.

Legal Impact

The grant recipients will be required to sign a Grant Agreement.

Risk Management

The successful grant recipients will assist the Council to provide important services within the County Borough.

Consultation

There is no requirement for external consultation on this item.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Members:

 Confirm the amount of grant payable to each Strategic Partner as set out in Appendix 1

Reason for Proposed Decision

To approve grants to a third sector organisations in line with the Council's Scheme.

Implementation of Decision

The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period.

Appendices

Appendix 1

List of Background Papers

The Neath Port Talbot Third Sector Grant Funding Scheme.

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APPENDIX 1

Grant Award to Third Party Strategic Partner Organisations 2023/24	2023/24 Year 1	2024/25 Year 2	2025/26 Year 3
Citizens Advice Swansea Neath Port Talbot	£90,000	£94,879	£98,674
NPT Shopmobility	£47,000	£51,480	£51,480
Total	£137,000	£146,480	£150,154