

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

29th AUGUST 2023

**REPORT OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER
– HUW JONES**

Matters for Decision

Wards Affected: Resolven and Tonna

**Report Title – Miscellaneous Grant Fund Application (Tonna
Carnival Committee)**

Purpose of the Report

To seek Member approval in relation to a grant application received.

Background and Financial Impacts

The Council has a Miscellaneous Grants Scheme to support individual applications for grants in line with the criteria set out below:-

Existing Policy Statement

- Each application will be considered on its merits.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- Applications from individuals may be considered where both the person and the community derive a benefit.
- No grants will be made to any individual or organisation whose prime purpose is to distribute their funds to other charitable bodies.

Details of application

Grant Assistance has been requested by Tonna Carnival Committee, on a one off basis, to assist in the provision of a community carnival which is held on the last Saturday of June each year. The Committee rely solely on fundraising throughout the year by organising community events. No entry fees are charged in order to make the Carnival accessible to all, and encourage local businesses to trade on the day, to try and support community businesses. Local clubs, such as dance troupes, Karate clubs, Ukulele bands, and drama clubs are also welcome to hold displays to advertise what they have available to the local community. Any profits made are re-invested into providing other events to benefit the local community.

The Carnival organisers faced a last minute requirement to put in place traffic management arrangements which were not included in any of the costings for the carnival hence this one off request for a miscellaneous grant.

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

Applications for grant are available to voluntary and charitable organisations across the county borough.

Workforce Impacts

There are no workforce impacts.

Legal Impacts

Grants are provided in line with the approved scheme criteria.

Risk Management Impacts

All grant applications are considered on their own merit and in line with the approved scheme criteria.

Consultation

There is no requirement for external consultation on this item.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Members approve the one off application for grant assistance in the amount of £900 to Tonna Carnival Committee.

Reason for Proposed Decision

To decide on the amount of financial support in respect of the grant application received.

Implementation of Decision

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

List of Background Papers

Grant Application

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