



CABINET- 5TH FEBRUARY 2014

SUBJECT: TRANSFORMING HOMES, LIVES AND COMMUNITIES - LOCAL EMPLOYMENT FUND

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES AND SECTION 151

- 1.1 The attached report was considered by the Caerphilly Homes Task Group and Cabinet Sub Committee on Thursday the 23rd January 2014.
- 1.2 The report sought approval to commit expenditure from the 2013/14 budget against the Local Employment Fund to support local community based projects that help provide people with greater access to employment and training opportunities. Two projects were identified for contributions from the fund - the refurbishment of Hafod Deg, Rhymney and the White Rose Resource Centre Young Persons project.
- 1.3 Having considered its content the Caerphilly Homes Task Group fully endorsed the Officer's report and its recommendations. Members also requested an additional recommendation be considered by the Cabinet Sub Committee; that a further report be presented to the Caerphilly Homes Task Group in 12 months time in order to assess the success of the projects.
- 1.4 The Caerphilly Homes Task Group made the following recommendations to the Cabinet Sub Committee (WHQS): -
 - (1) a £10,000 contribution be approved to support a 6 month extension to the White Rose Centre Young Persons project;
 - (2) the allocation of £10,000 towards the refurbishment costs of Hafod Deg as agreed in principle by the WHQS Project Board be approved;
 - (3) a further report be brought back to the Caerphilly Homes Task Group in 12 months in order to assess the success of the projects.
- 1.5 The Cabinet Sub Committee met directly following the Caerphilly Homes Task Group meeting and Councillor G. Jones having declared an interest was not present when the report was considered. As a result the Cabinet Sub Committee was not quorate and therefore were not able to consider the report. The meeting was informed that the report would be presented to Cabinet for a decision.
- 1.6 Members are invited to consider the report and the above recommendations.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Cabinet Sub Committee (WHQS) Report - 23rd January 2014