



GRANTS TO THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR PANEL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT PENALLTA HOUSE, TREDOMEN PARK
ON WEDNESDAY, 4TH MAY 2011 AT 5.00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

Councillor J.O. Evans - Chairman
Councillor R. Bidgood - Vice-Chairman

Councillors:

Mrs E.M. Aldworth, Mrs A. Blackman, G.J. Hughes, K. James, Mrs G.D. Oliver, J.A. Pritchard

Together with:

N. Scammell (Head of Corporate Finance), A. Morgan (Group Accountant, Revenue Advice and Support), R. Thomas (Committee Services Officer)

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D. Cullen, W. David, A.G. Higgs, K. Lloyd, M.J. Prew

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor J.O. Evans declared an interest in agenda 3 (Applications for Financial Assistance; relating to Mynyddislwyn Male Choir). Details are minuted with the respective item.

2. MINUTES - 10TH MARCH 2011

Members noted the minutes of the Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel held on 10th March 2011 (minute nos. 1 - 3, on page nos. 1 - 2). There were no matters arising therefrom.

3. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

3.1 Statement of Expenditure

Officers highlighted the report referred to the final applications for the year 2010/2011 and it was confirmed that any unspent balance would be carried forward to 2011/2012. Officers advised of the probable reason for the underspend and asked Members to be mindful of changing any criteria as GAVO was to promote and advertise available grants. This could have a significant impact on numbers of future applications received.

Members requested that they be given electronic copies of the new application forms. Officers confirmed GAVO would be advised of the request.

Members noted the statement of expenditure detailed within the report.

3.2 Welsh Church Acts Fund

Members noted the approved and released amounts of funding and stressed the need to make the best use of the annual allocation.

3.3 Applications for Financial Assistance

Consideration was given on the following applications for financial assistance.

3.3.1 RESOLVED that the following applications for financial assistance be approved:-

	£
(a) Britannia, Fleur de Lys & Pengam (PEP)	100.00
(b) Abercarn & Crumlin District Pigeon Club	100.00
(c) Follow your Dreams	100.00
(d) Newbridge Y3a Trust	100.00
(e) Caerphilly Local History Society	120.00
(f) Menter Iaith Sir Caerffili	100.00

3.3.2 RESOLVED for the reasons outlined at the meeting, the follow application for financial assistance be refused:-

- (a) Markham Community Playgroup

3.3.3 General Criteria Awards

Members noted and agreed the applications received in the course of the year, and the award to be applied to each as follows:

	£
(a) Ian Henderson	130.00
(b) Callum Rogers	130.00
(c) Malika Rezougui	250.00
(d) Trinant Under 14's Youth Football Team	45.00
(e) Cefn Hengoed Ladies Choir	70.00
(f) Crosskeys Silver Band	500.00
(g) Christopher Jones	130.00
(h) Jordan Marie Storey	130.00
(i) Leah-Marie Hill	130.00
(j) Christopher Hughes	250.00
(k) Cory Hughes	250.00
(l) The Salvation Army	135.00
(m) Meghan Chalk	130.00
(n) 3rd Caerphilly St Martins Rainbows	45.00
(o) Hiphop Explosion	270.00
(p) Ffion Roberts	130.00
(q) Pentwynmawr Ladies Choir	70.00
(r) 4th Caerphilly Rainbows	45.00
(s) Gareth Wassall	130.00
(t) Natasha Wassall	130.00
(u) St Martins Ward Pensioners Association	130.00

3.3.4 Welsh Church Acts Fund

Councillor J.O. Evans declared an interest in Mynyddislwyn Male Choir, reference number W594, as he is Chairman of the Choir.

Members noted the grants awarded by Officers, in accordance with the agreed criteria, for 2010/2011.

The meeting closed at 5.20 p.m.