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Notice of the Decisions at the Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel held on the 14th July 2022.

CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF THE DECISIONS FROM THE GRANTS TO THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR PANEL MEETING HELD AT PENALLTA HOUSE AND VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON THURSDAY 14TH JULY 2022 AT 5.00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Councillors: A. Broughton- Pettit, M. Chacon-Dawson, G. Enright, A. Gair, T. Heron, D. Ingram-Jones, L. Jeremiah, D.W.R. Preece, J. A. Pritchard, J. Reed and W. Williams.

Officers: S. Richards (Head of Education, Planning and Strategy), V. Doyle (Policy Officer), L. Lane (Head of Democratic Services and Deputy Monitoring Officer), S. Hughes (Committee Services Officer) and J. Thomas (Committee Services Officer).

The decisions and declarations of interest are set out below. For further details please refer to the relevant report.

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	VOTE
1.	To appoint a Chair for the ensuing year.	RESOLVED that Councillor M. Chacon- Dawson be appointed as Chair of the Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel.	8 For 0 Against 0 Abstain
2.	To appoint a Vice Chair for the ensuing year.	RESOLVED that Councillor T. Heron be appointed as Vice Chair of the Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel.	10 For 0 Against 0 Abstain
3.	Apologies for absence.	Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P. Cook, J. Rao, J. E. Roberts and J. Taylor. Apologies for absence were also received from S. Harris (Head of Financial Services & Section 151 Officer).	N/A
4.	Declarations of Interest.	There were no declarations of interest received at the commencement or during the course of the meeting.	N/A
5.	To approve and sign the following minutes: - Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel held on 3 rd March 2022.	It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on 3 rd March 2022 be approved as a correct record. RESOLVED that the minutes of the Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel held on 3 rd March 2022 be approved as a correct record.	3 For 0 Against 7 Abstentions
6.	Applications for Financial Assistance	(a) It was moved and seconded that the principle of establishing a Task and Finish Group to review the criteria and processes for the Grants to the Voluntary Sector Fund and Welsh Church Acts Fund be recommended to S. Harris (Head of Financial Services & Section 151 Officer). By a show of hands this was agreed by the majority present.	Agreed by the majority.

		 (b)Following consideration of the report it was moved and seconded that the recommendations be approved. By way of Microsoft Forms this was agreed by the majority present. The Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel: (i) Noted the applications received that met the criteria for Financial Assistance and the Welsh Church Acts Fund, which have already been approved by the Head of Financial Services & S151 Officer under delegated powers, and which are reported to the Panel for information. (ii) Made a recommendation for approval in relation to an application for financial assistance from an organisation which did not meet the General Criteria. This recommendation to be considered and approved or otherwise by the Head of Financial Services & S151 Officer under delegated powers. RECOMMENDED to the Head of Financial Services & Section 151 Officer: To approve the application for financial assistance from Kids Cancer Charity in the sum of £1,650. 	8 For 0 Against 1 Abstain
7.	Public Interest Test Appendix 3 – Application from an individual in relation to the Welsh Church Acts Fund	The Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel considered the Public Interest Test and concluded that on balance the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information. RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 100(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 12 and 14 of Schedule12A of the Local Government Act 1972.	9 For 0 Against 0 Abstain
		EXEMPT ITEM	
8.	Applications for Financial Assistance – Appendix 3	Following consideration of the report it was moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved. By way of Microsoft Forms and verbal Page 2	10 For 0 Against 0 Abstain

 confirmation this was unanimously agreed. (i) The Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel made a recommendation for approval in relation to one application from an individual under the Welsh Church Acts Fund. This 	
recommendation to be considered and approved or otherwise by the Head of Financial Services & S151 Officer under delegated powers.	
RECOMMENDED to the Head of Financial Services & Section 151 Officer:	
To approve the application from an individual in relation to the Welsh Church Acts Fund.	

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