

WELSH CHURCH ACT ESTATE COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting held on 20th November, 2006.

Present: Councillor F.T. Johnson (Chairman); Councillors Mrs. M. Kelly Owen and C.L. Osborne.

524 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE -

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E. Hacker and Mrs M.E.J. Birch.

525 MINUTES -

RESOLVED - T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 25th October, 2006 be approved as a correct record.

526 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -

No declarations were received.

527 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2006/2007 (DFICTP) -

The Committee was requested to consider further applications for financial assistance from the Welsh Church Act Estate fund. Appendix A to the report set out the applications to be considered, Appendix B set out the purposes for which the Welsh Church Act Estate funds could be applied and Appendix C set out the fund's Revenue Account estimates for the current financial year. Having considered the applications, the Committee

RESOLVED - T H A T the following applications for financial assistance be approved:

<u>Name of Organisation</u>	<u>Specific Purpose for which Grant Requested</u>	<u>Grant Approved</u> £
Bethesda Chapel, Fair Oaks	Building improvement works, soft furnishings, furniture and dishwasher	3,000
St. Catwg's Church, Llanmaes	Structural repairs	3,000

Reason for decision

Having regard to the budget available, sums available and the charitable purposes for which the Fund may be applied.

528 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC -

RESOLVED - T H A T under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 4 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act, the relevant paragraphs of the Schedule being referred to in brackets after the minute heading.

529 LAND AT LLANBLETHIAN (CHAIRMAN) (EXEMPT INFORMATION - PARAGRAPH 21) -

The Committee was advised that the Vale of Glamorgan Council had received a request for information in respect of land at Llanblethian which was land administered by the Trust. The Freedom of Information Section of the Council had written to the Chairman advising that a request for information that included a reference to the records of the Welsh Church Act Estate had been received and the Committee's view as to the release of such information which was in the Committee's remit was requested. The Committee's views were also sought as to the procedure to be adopted should future requests be made. Having due regard to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and in view of the fact the Freedom of Information section of the Council was in consultation with the third party who had been involved in the matter in 2005, the Committee

RESOLVED -

(1) T H A T on receipt of a response from the third party involved in the matter, the Chairman in consultation with the Legal Officer, determine whether the information could be released under the Regulations and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

(2) T H A T any future requests under the Freedom of Information Act in respect of matters administered by the Committee be referred to the Welsh Church Act Estate Committee for consideration.