

The Vale of Glamorgan Council

Cabinet Meeting: 3 October, 2016

Report of the Leader

Grants to Community/Voluntary Organisations 2016/17

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek Cabinet's approval in the awarding of grants from the 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19 and 2019/20 corporate revenue budget.

Recommendations

1. That a 3 year allocation is agreed for Menter Bro Morgannwg of £17k in 2016/17, £34k in 2017/18, £34k in 2018/19 and £17k in 2019/20.
2. That an allocation is agreed for Urdd Gobaith Cymru of £10k in 2016/17.

Reasons for the Recommendations

1. To award monies to assist Menter Bro Morgannwg.
2. To award monies to assist Urdd Gobaith Cymru.

Background

3. Menter Bro Morgannwg is an organisation that aims to promote and expand the use of the Welsh Language throughout the Vale of Glamorgan, an aim the Council has also explicitly set for itself in its Corporate Plan (see paragraph 13 below). Menter Bro Morgannwg would have previously attracted funding under the Voluntary Action Scheme. In order to promote and support the Welsh Language, the Vale of Glamorgan Council has worked with the organisation to develop an indicative SLA to be delivered by the organisation which is attached at [Appendix A](#).
4. Urdd Gobaith Cymru works throughout Wales to give children and young people the chance to learn and socialise in the Welsh Language. The voluntary organisation had been receiving £10k per annum to part fund a post under the Voluntary Action Scheme funding which ended in 2015/16. The balance of the funding for the post is provided by the Learning and Skills Directorate.

Relevant Issues and Options

5. The Authority is currently reviewing the provision of grants under the Reshaping Services Programme.
6. It is proposed to award funding to Menter Bro Morgannwg an organisation that will provide a range of Welsh Medium services across the Vale of Glamorgan. An award is proposed for a three year period, albeit starting mid-year for 2016/17. The funding

allocated will be profiled as follows; £17k in 2016/17, £34k in 2017/18, £34k in 2018/19 and £17k in 2019/20.

7. Urdd Gobaith Cymru had been receiving £10k per annum to part fund a post under the Voluntary Action Scheme which ended in 2015/16. The balance of the funding for the post is provided by the Learning and Skills Directorate. It is proposed that £10k is awarded to ensure continuity of provision whilst alternative funding is identified for 2017/18 onwards.

Resource Implications (Financial and Employment)

8. Financial provision has been made within the corporate policy revenue budget in 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19 and 2019/20.

Sustainability and Climate Change Implications

9. There are no sustainability and climate change implications arising out of this report.

Legal Implications (to Include Human Rights Implications)

10. There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

Crime and Disorder Implications

11. There are no crime and disorder implications.

Equal Opportunities Implications (to include Welsh Language issues)

12. See paragraph 13 below.

Corporate/Service Objectives

13. Under the Corporate Plan's Well-being Outcome 3: "An aspirational and culturally vibrant Vale" and Objective 6: "Valuing culture and diversity" there is an action: "Work with partners to promote the use of the Welsh language". The recommendations of this report are aimed at putting that action into practice.

Policy Framework and Budget

14. The proposals within this report are matters for executive decision by Cabinet.

Consultation (including Ward Member Consultation)

15. Since the proposals are within the Policy Framework and Budget, no further consultation is required.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee

16. Corporate Performance and Resources

Background Papers

Grant application.

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Officers Consulted

None

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