

Minutes of the meeting of the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee of Cwmbran Community Council held on Monday 15 November 2021 at 6.45 pm.

Venue: The meeting was held remotely and at the Council House, Ventnor Road, Cwmbran NP44 3JY in accordance with the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021

The recommendations below will be submitted to the Council Meeting to be held on 15 December 2021.

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the meeting of the committee to be held on 10 January 2022.

Present: Councillors WJ Walker (Chairman) Councillors: SWJ Ashley, AL Bird, LJ Chaney, M Day, LG Johnston, M Villars and LE Williams.

Also Councillor RD Kemp

(Councillors LJ Chaney, M Villars and LE Williams participated in the meeting via remote means)

Also David Collins (Clerk to the Council) and Clare Facey (Administration Officer)

Absent: Councillors RhM Bennett, SJ Brooks, JS Davenne, M Johnston, KK Manneh, LM Ryan,

(No Public Participation Session was held at this meeting)

GVO21/001 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors SJ Brooks (personal) and KK Manneh (personal)

GVO21/002 Members' Declarations of Interest

Members were asked to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests that they may have and sign the Interests Sheet to give details of the nature of the interest. Councillor SWJ Ashley declared a personal (non-prejudicial) interest in Minute GVO21/007 below (Other Requests for Funding). He declared the nature of his interest and remained in the meeting.

GVO21/003 Membership

Members noted the membership and terms of reference of the committee, which had been approved at Annual Council on 19 May 2021.

It was **recommended** that: the information is noted.

GVO21/004 Committee Finances 2021/22

The sum of £13,250 remained available to the committee from within the Council's approved estimates for this committee during the current financial year. A further sum of £20,600 was set aside within Earmarked Reserves.

It was **recommended** that the information is noted.

GVO21/005 Previous Grant Decisions

Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee 2021/2022
Members received details of previous grants awarded by the committee.

It was **recommended** that the information is noted.

GVO21/006 New Applications Received

It was **recommended** that

(1) the applications be dealt with as indicated below:

Applicant	Grant Awarded	Statutory Power
(a) Torfaen Scouts	£400 to help meeting running costs of the group.	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1972 s. 19)

(2) the Clerk is instructed to contact Torfaen Scouts to obtain further details of local scouting activities.

GVO21/007 Other Requests for Funding

Councillor SWJ Ashley declared a personal (non-prejudicial) interest this item . He declared the nature of his interest and remained in the meeting.

At a meeting held on 27 October 2021, the Council considered a request for funding from Llantarnam Grange Arts Centre: Living with Dementia Project.

The Council resolved that consideration is referred to the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee.

It was **recommended** that

(1) the sum of £4,000 is awarded to this project from within General Reserves (Local Government Act 1972 s. 145).

(2) the Council considers the establishment of an additional fund to help support community organisations from outside of the voluntary sector, as part of the preparation of the 2022/23 budget.

GVO21/008 Grant Criteria

Members considered the criteria and application form for use for the remainder of 2021/22.

It was **recommended** that the criteria and application form are approved.

Signed

(Chairman, Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee)