

Minutes of the meeting of the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee of Cwmbran Community Council held on Monday 30 May 2022 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 22 June 2022.

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting of the committee to be held on 27 June 2022.

Present: Councillors SWJ Ashley, M Day (Chair), A Bird, L Chaney, J Davenne, L Lloyd-Tolman, KK Manneh, S Morgan (Vice-Chair), P Seabourne, M Villars, WJ Walker

(No Councillors participated in the meeting via remote means)

Also Clare Facey (Acting Clerk) present

Absent: Councillors F Jones, S Wharton

(No Public Participation Session was held at this meeting.)

GVO22/001 Appointment of Chairman and Membership

At the Annual General Meeting of Cwmbran Community Council held on 18th May 2022, Councillor P Seabourne was appointed Chairman of this Committee for the Municipal Year 2022/23. Councillor L Chaney was appointed as Vice Chairman. Membership was appointed as referred to above.

Terms of Reference for the Committee were also agreed at the above meeting.

GVO22/002 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors F Jones (illness) and S Wharton (holiday).

GVO22/003 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. Councillors S Morgan, A Bird, SWJ Ashley, M Villars and L Lloyd-Tolman declared a non-prejudicial interest in Minute GVO22/007 below (New Applications Received: Bridge 46 to Five Locks Canal Group). They remained in the meeting for the consideration of the item.

GVO22/004 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 14 February 2022 were confirmed as a correct record. The Chairman signed the minutes.

GVO22/005 Committee Finances 2022/23

Members noted that the sum of £10,000 is available to the committee from within the Council's approved estimates for this committee during the current financial year under code K01. The sum of £10,000 is available, under code K02 for "Other Community Project." A further sum of £20,600 is set aside within Earmarked Reserves.

It was **recommended** that the position be noted.

GVO22/006 Previous Grant Decisions

Members received information on previous grants awarded.

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

GVO22/007 New Applications Received

Councillors S Morgan, A Bird, SWJ Ashley, M Villars and L Lloyd-Tolman declared a non-prejudicial interest in Minute GVO22/007 below (New Applications Received: Bridge 46 to Five Locks Canal Group). They remained in the meeting for the consideration of the item.

It was **recommended** that the applications be dealt with as indicated below:

Applicant	Grant Awarded	Statutory Power
(a) Bridge 46 to Five Locks Canal Group	Grant awarded in the sum of £1,379.75 towards:- Outdoor equipment @ £595.75 Office equipment @ £357 Community Event Equipment @ £427	Local Government Act 2000 s2 (Power of Well-being)
(b) Coed Eva Allotment Association	Not awarded grant - the applicant is applying on another organisation's behalf. The organisation needs to apply direct to the council to be considered for a grant.	n/a
(c) Kids Cancer Charity	Grant awarded in the sum of £500 towards:- To send a family from Cwmbran on a compassionate case respite break when they most need it	Local Government Act 2000 s2 (Power of Well-being)

GVO22/008 Grants Criteria 2022/23

It is important that the Council keeps its policy and criteria relating to the grants under review which was undertaken at the last Grants Committee minute GVO21/022 refers.

Members were pleased to receive a copy of the recently reviewed Grant Criteria as they felt it important to revisit and refresh the criteria whenever necessary. Members suggested that new Grants Criteria was put in place under the new budget heading for Other Community Projects (K02). The Acting Clerk to report to members at the next Grants to Voluntary Organisation meeting.

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

Signed

(Chairman, Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee)