

**Minutes of the meeting of the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee of Cwmbran Community Council held on Monday 2 October 2023 at 6.00pm**

**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 8 November 2023.

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting of the committee to be held on 13 November 2023

**Present:** Councillors SWJ Ashley, M Day, L Lloyd-Tolman, C Morgan, P Seabourne (Chair), M Villars & WJ Walker

Also Gareth Davies (Clerk to the Council) & Andy Smith (RFO/Deputy Clerk)

**Absent:** Councillors A Bird, L Chaney, J Davenne, S Morgan, S Wharton, R Bennett & K Manneh

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

**GVO23/019 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors A Bird (Personal), L Chaney (Personal) & S Morgan (Illness)

**GVO23/020 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 L Lloyd-Tolman & P Seabourne declared a non-prejudicial interest in minute GVO23/023 New Applications Received – Games N More. They remained in the meeting during the discussions.*

**GVO23/021 Minutes 4 September 2023**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 September 2023 were confirmed as a correct record of the meeting and are approved and actioned therein.

Councillor P Seabourne signed the minutes.

### **GVO23/022 Previous Grant Decisions**

Members received information on previous grants awarded.

Members discussed changing the Council's policy not to award grants to the same organisation more than once every two years and to allow applications to be looked at on a case by case basis. The proposal was agreed by members.

It was **recommended** that:-

- a) the policy is amended to allow for applications to be dealt with on a case by case basis.
- b) the position is noted.

### **GVO23/023 New Applications Received**

*Councillors L Lloyd-Tolman & P Seabourne declared a non-prejudicial interest in minute GVO23/023 New Applications Received – Games N More. They remained in the meeting during the discussions.*

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

Applicant	Grant Awarded	Statutory Power
a) Cwmbran Historical Society	Grant awarded in the sum of £440:- to purchase speakers for monthly meetings, 11 speakers at £40 each, total £440.	<b>Local Government Act 1972, s137</b>
b) Games N More	Organisation to be contacted to discuss application.	
c) Llantarnam Dance Club	Grant awarded in the sum of £1500:- towards the cost of purchasing new music equipment and assistance with rent.	<b>Local Government Act 1972, s137</b>
d) Our Lady of the Angels Primary School	No Grant awarded.	

### **GVO23/024 Exclusion of the Public & Press**

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was agreed that the following matter be considered in private and that the power of exclusion of the public under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 be exercised.

**GVO23/025 Budget for 2024/2025**

Members considered the following reports from the RFO/Deputy Clerk.

- a) GVO Budget 2023
- b) GVO Summary 2023
- c) Members Small Schemes Details September 2023
- d) Members Small Schemes Summary September 2023

*Signed .....*

*(Chairman, Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee)*