

Minutes of the meeting of the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee of Cwmbran Community Council held on Monday 8 January 2024 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 31 January 2024.

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting of the committee to be held on 19 February 2024

Present: Councillors S Ashley, J Davenne, K Manneh, C Morgan, S Morgan, P Seabourne (Chair), M Villars & W Walker

(Councillors L Chaney & L Lloyd-Tolman participated in the meeting via remote means)

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

Absent: Councillors R Bennett, A Bird, M Day & S Wharton

(No Public Participation Session was held at this meeting)

GVO23/033 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors M Day (illness) & R Bennett (Personal)

GVO23/034 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 Chaney, J Davenne, L Lloyd-Tolman, P Seabourne declared a non-prejudicial interest in Minute GVO23/038 – Members Small Schemes. They remained in the meeting during the discussions.

GVO23/035 Minutes 13 November 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 November 2023 were confirmed as a correct record of the meeting and are approved and actioned therein.

Councillor P Seabourne signed the minutes.

GVO23/036 Previous Grant Decisions

Members received information on previous grants awarded.

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

GVO23/037 New Applications Received

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

Applicant	Grant Awarded	Statutory Power
a) Piping Hot (Cwmbran)	Grant awarded to the sum of £1500:- to contribute to the purchase cost of formal uniforms for 15 members. Including Doublets x 15 at £65 each and Kilts x 15 at £55 each.	Local Government Act 1972, s137

GVO023/038 Members Small Schemes

Councillors L Chaney, J Davenne, L Lloyd-Tolman, P Seabourne declared a non-prejudicial interest in Minute GVO23/038 – Members Small Schemes. They remained in the meeting during the discussions.

Applications are approved for the following Members Small Schemes :-

- i) Fairwater Project – CoStar Partnership - £400 to support children in the communities of Fairwater and Greenmeadow.
- ii) Pantomime – CoStar Partnership - £600 for the purchase cost of putting on a Pantomime in February 2024, purchase of refreshments and venue hire.
- iii) Selection Boxes – CoStar Partnership - £200 for the purchase of selection boxes for the children in the community at Christmas to help with the cost of living.
- iv) Thornhill 4 U Too – £350 to contribute towards the costs of providing support, advice and services to local residents.
- v) Thornhill Foodbank – £100 to supply food and essential supplies to residents in food crisis.
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It was **recommended** that:-

- a) the position is noted

GVO23/039 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.

GVO23/040 Budget Update

The RFO updated members with the current budget position and the members small schemes reports. Members considered the reports.

It was **recommended** that:-

- a) the position is noted.

Signed

(Chairman, Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee)