

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Grants to Voluntary Organisation Committee of  
Cwmbran Community Council held on Monday 4 September 2017**

**Present** Councillors WJ Walker (Chairman), Councillors AL Bird, SJ Brooks, PJ Cathcart, M Day, AJ Davies, LG Johnston, M Johnston and R Jones.

Also David Collins (Clerk to the Council)

**GVO17/008 Apologies**

Apologies for Absence were accepted from Councillor SWJ Ashley (illness), JS Davenne (holiday) and M Villars (holiday)

**GVO17/009 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 M Johnston and SJ Brooks declared non prejudicial interests in Minute GVO17/012 (b) below.

Councillors AL Bird, SJ Brooks and PJ Catchcart declared non prejudicial interests in Minute GVO17/012 (g) below.

**GVO17/010 Committee Finances 2017/18**

Members noted that a sum of £11,178 was available to the committee from within the Council's approved estimates for grants to voluntary organisations during the current financial year. A further sum of £6,000 was set aside within Earmarked Reserves.

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

**GVO17/011 Previous Grant Awards**

At a meeting held on 30 June 2014, members asked to receive regular information about previous grants awarded by the committee, including the use of the grant. (Minute GL14/006 (3) refers.) This information was therefore provided.

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

**GVO17/012 New Applications Received**

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

Councillors M Johnston and SJ Brooks declared non prejudicial interests in Minute GVO17/012 (b) below.

Councillors AL Bird, SJ Brooks and PJ Catchcart declared non prejudicial interests in Minute GVO17/012 (g) below.

Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee  
Subject to confirmation by Full Council

Applicant	Grant Awarded
(a) Coed Eva Allotments	£500 for security lighting & cameras.
(b) Schools Dance Festival	The committee was unable to support the application as the organisation had not been in existence for two years. In the meantime Members asked to receive further information about the organisation, in particular, Members sought clarification about the extent to which it operated as a business.  <i>(note: the applicant has confirmed that this is a not for profit organisation and that volunteers run the event)</i>
(c) Torfaen Carers Centre	Deferred for clarification about the future of the Centre.
(d) 1st West Pontnewydd Scouts	£300 towards costs of repainting.  Members also suggested that the applicant is provided with details of the Reclaimed Paint Project.
(e) Cwmbran Otters Swimming Club	£500 for the purchase of floats and Pull Buoys.
(f) WALK Newport	No grant awarded.  Members did not consider that the application demonstrated sufficient links to Cwmbran.
(g) Welsh Musical Theatre Orchestra.	Defer to obtain itemised details of costs.

Members noted that cheques in relation to the above would be presented at the Grants Presentation Evening on 23 November 2017

Signed .....  
(Chair, Cwmbran Community Council)