

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR THE LEADER

THURSDAY, 17 December 2020

PRESENT: Councillor: E. Dole (Executive Board Member).

The following officers were in attendance:

M. Bull, Economic Development Area Manager;

L. Alvarez, Bureau Officer;

J. Hancock, Flagship Social Enterprise Development Officer;

A. Nicholas, Rural Regeneration Officer;

M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting: 2.30 pm - 3.15 pm

1. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

There were no declarations of personal interest.

2. DECISIONS RECORD - 17TH NOVEMBER 2020

RESOLVED that the decision record of the meeting held on the 17th November 2020 be signed as a correct record.

**3. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FOLLOWING GRANT FUNDS:
TARGETED FINANCE FUND, WELSH CHURCH FUND & FOOD POVERTY FUND**

RESOLVED that the following applications for assistance from the Targeted Finance Fund, Welsh Church Fund and Food Poverty Fund be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

Targeted Finance Benefit Fund	
Applicant	Award
Carmarthenshire's Young Farmers Club (YFC)	£20,000.00

Welsh Church Fund	
Applicant	Award
Bethlehem Capel - Llangadog	£720.00
Dafen Church	£1,325.00
The Carmarthenshire Antiquarian Society	£500.00

Food Poverty Fund	
Applicant	Award
Carmarthen Youth Project (Dr Mz)*	£1,346.00
Ground force Swiss Valley (Swiss Valley C.P School)	£4,934.85
Llwynhendy & Pemberton Forum	£3,193.98

Pembrey and Burry Port Town Council	£4,958.64
Salvation Army – Carmarthen*	£4,500.00
Ty Gwyn Community Enterprises	£5,000.00
Tyisha Positive Action Group	£4,822.00

[* It was noted that both Cllrs. A. Lenny and G. John, who were the ward members for Carmarthen Town South – not Cllrs. Alan Speake and E. Schiavone as indicated in the report – were fully supportive of the applications from Carmarthen Youth Project (Dr Mz) and the Salvation Army – Carmarthen.]

4. REPORTS NOT FOR PUBLICATION

RESOLVED pursuant to The Local Government Act 1972 as, amended by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the following items were not for publication as the reports contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

5. CARMARTHENSHIRE RURAL ENTERPRISE FUND

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 4 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report contained detailed information about the business and financial affairs and ambitions of the applicants. In this case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption under the 1972 Act in respect of this report outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information therein, as disclosure would be likely to place the person and businesses named in the report at an unfair disadvantage in relation to their commercial competitors.

The Executive Board Member considered an application received for assistance from the Carmarthenshire Rural Enterprise Fund.

RESOLVED that the following application received for assistance from the Carmarthenshire Rural Enterprise Fund be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

Carmarthenshire Rural Enterprise Fund		
Application Ref	Applicant	Award
CREF 084	British Birds of Prey Centre	£24,184.80

6. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE ARFOR PROGRAMME

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 4 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report contained detailed information about the business and financial affairs and ambitions of the applicants. In this case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption under the 1972 Act in respect of this report outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information therein, as disclosure would be likely to place the person and businesses named in the report at an unfair disadvantage in relation to their commercial competitors.

The Executive Board Member considered applications received for assistance from the ARFOR Programme fund.

RESOLVED that the following applications received for assistance from the ARFOR Programme Fund be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

ARFOR Programme Fund		
App. Ref	Applicant	Award
AG6-01	Coffi Bach	£5,000.00
AG6-02	Moch Coch	£5,000.00
AG6-03	The Crafty Dragon Ltd	£5,000.00

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