

# EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR REGENERATION & LEISURE

WEDNESDAY, 5 APRIL 2017

**PRESENT: Councillor:** M. Gravell (Executive Board Member);

**The following officers were in attendance:**

J. Davies, Senior Cultural Services Manager;

M Mason, Museum Development Manager;

R Furlong, Grants Support Officer;

M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer.

**Democratic Services Committee Room, County Hall, Carmarthen – 10.00am-  
11.15 am**

**1. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

**2. DECISION RECORD - 16TH MARCH 2017**

**RESOLVED** that the decision record of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017 be signed as a correct record.

**3. CARMARTHEN TOWN MUSEUM**

The Executive Board Member considered a report detailing options for the future of Carmarthen Town Museum [which had been temporarily closed since November 2016 due to concerns over public safety] in light of the fact that it had failed its 2016 VAQAS [Visitor Attraction Quality Assurance Service] assessment and major shortcomings with the establishment had been indicated. The Assessment had also highlighted other concerns over the museum's appropriateness as an Accredited Museum and its current location and operation.

**RESOLVED** that Carmarthen Town Museum be removed from the Museum Accreditation scheme and that the relevant collections be integrated within the new archive/library development in Carmarthen.

**4. POLICY FOR PROVISION OF MEMORIAL BENCHES IN PUBLIC OPEN SPACES**

[NOTE: This item was withdrawn.]

**5. REPORTS NOT FOR PUBLICATION**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amended by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the following items were not for publication as the reports contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**6. CARMARTHENSHIRE RURAL ENTERPRISE FUND - CAMBRIAN ICE CREAM**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 5 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 transparency and accountability is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining confidentiality, as disclosure of this information would be likely to damage the applicants at this stage.

The Executive Board Member considered an application from Cambrian Ice Cream for a grant towards the internal fit-out of unit 2 in the Parry Thomas Centre, Pendine, which would create 1.5 full time jobs.

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

<u>Applicant / Property</u>	<u>Award</u>
Cambrian Ice Cream / unit 2, Parry Thomas Centre, Pendine	£11,838.38

**7. CARMARTHENSHIRE RURAL ENTERPRISE FUND - NATURE'S BEST CATERING**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 5 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 transparency and accountability is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining confidentiality, as disclosure of this information would be likely to damage the applicants at this stage.

The Executive Board Member considered an application from Nature's Best Catering for a grant towards the internal fit-out of the top floor of the Parry Thomas Centre, Pendine, which would create 9 full time jobs.

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

<u>Applicant / Property</u>	<u>Award</u>
Nature's Best Catering / Parry Thomas Centre, Pendine	£42,974.78

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**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER**

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