

TUESDAY, 19 JANUARY 2021

TO: THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR LEADER

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU TO ATTEND A VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR THE LEADER** WHICH WILL BE HELD AT 10.00 AM ON **TUESDAY, 26TH JANUARY, 2021** FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OUTLINED ON THE ATTACHED AGENDA.

Wendy Walters

CHIEF EXECUTIVE



PLEASE RECYCLE

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FOLLOWING CONSIDERATION OF ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE AND FOLLOWING THE APPLICATION OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER MAY CONSIDER THAT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NOT FOR PUBLICATION AS THEY CONTAIN EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH 14 OF PART 4 OF SCHEDULE 12A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) (WALES) ORDER 2007.
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Note:- The press and public are not entitled to attend the meeting. The decision record will be published normally within 3 working days.

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

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

DATE

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR THE LEADER 26/1/2021

Executive Board Member:	Portfolio:
Cllr. Emlyn Dole	Leader

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FOLLOWING GRANT FUNDS: WELSH CHURCH FUND

Recommendations / key decisions required:

Welsh Church Fund – Annex 1

1 Application – Total Value = £1,330.50

Total Number of Applications - 1 Total Value = £1,330.50

Reasons:

Development of Sustainable Communities within Carmarthenshire

Directorate Name of Head of Service: Helen L Morgan	Designations: Development Manager Regen & Policy	Tel: 01267 242367 HLMorgan@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
Report Author: Jon Hancock	Bureau Manager	Tel: 01269 590216 JonHancock@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

Declaration of Personal Interest (if any): None

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any): N/A

DECISION MADE:

Signed:

DATE: _____

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

The following section will be completed by the Democratic Services Officer in attendance at the meeting

Recommendation of Officer adopted	YES / NO
Recommendation of the Officer was adopted subject to the amendment(s) and reason(s) specified:	
Reason(s) why the Officer's recommendation was not adopted:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR THE LEADER

26th January 2021

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FOLLOWING GRANT FUNDS: WELSH CHURCH FUND

To approve the following:

RECOMMENDATIONS / KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

Welsh Church Fund – Annex 1

1 Application – Total Value = £1,330.50

Total Number of Applications - 1 Total Value = £1,330.50

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: **Helen L Morgan** **Economic Development Manager Regeneration & Policy**

Policy and Crime & Disorder	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Organisational Development	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: **Helen L Morgan** **Economic Development Manager Regeneration & Policy**

1. Local Member(s) As per individual report

2. Community / Town Council As per individual report

3. Relevant Partners As per individual report

4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations As per individual report

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Welsh Church Fund	WCF-20-14	County Hall, Carmarthen. SA31 1JP

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Welsh Church Fund 2020-2021
Report Author: LAlvarez@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
Tel: 01269 590216
Balance Available: £45,546.71

Report Value: £1,330.50

1 of 1

Application Reference – WCF-20-14

Project Title	Operation Umbrella
Applicant	St Paul's Manordeilo
Project Description	<p>St Paul's church is located in the village of Cwmifor on the north side of the A40, 4 kilometres to the north-east of Llandeilo. It lies in a rectangular churchyard used as a cemetery.</p> <p>The intention is to include St Paul's within the 'Pilgrimage ring' comprising of eighteen churches, each with an individual appeal based on location, architecture, and spirituality. St Paul's can rightly hold its place as a site of pilgrimage because of its special atmosphere, stained glass and fine oil paintings. Rather austere from the outside the interior is unusually ornate for a Welsh Country Church, with a magnificent marble alter and pulpit. Originally planned by a local benefactress as a Roman Catholic church the project was abandoned but completed in 1860 after the building was rescued by an Anglican churchman, Rev. j. Griffiths of Lampeter for the sum of £275.</p> <p>The project is seeking funding for repairs needed to the Vestry roof. The Repairs are urgent, unless the project is completed the building will become unviable.</p> <p>The community benefit of this project is to existing and potential worshippers who would not find elsewhere the unique combination of church history, family ties and community cohesion they find at St Paul's.</p> <p>At a time of huge stress, the project will enable the church to be used to support the mental health and wellbeing of the whole community. The decline of public buildings such as places of worship is a source of distress to the local community, who, through they might not choose to worship there, nevertheless have an interest in its aesthetic appeal.</p>
Total Project Cost	£5,322.00
Eligible Capital	Vestry roof repair - £5,322.00

Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr. Joseph Davies
Ownership/ Lease	Church in Wales - Building registered with Representative Body of Church in Wales
Funding Package	£5,322.00
Amount of grant requested	£1,330.50 @ 25%
Value of Community Investment	£3,991.50 £1,669.50 – Williams Browns Hill (applied) £2,322.00 – Own funds secured
Value of Levered Funds	
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of individuals into training/education Number of individuals into volunteering Number of community groups/organisations assisted - 1 Number of social enterprises created Number of social enterprises supported Number of jobs created Number of jobs safeguarded Number of physical improvements - 1 Public and private leverage funding - £3,991.50
Officer Comments	The church members have usually been very proactive fundraising. Due to the Covid pandemic this has not been possible, the church has found itself with depleting funds. Without this urgent repair on the roof the church will not be safe to use and will have to close. This will be a huge blow to the community it serves.
Officer Recommendation	Award - £1,330.50
Subject to	Williams Brown Hill Fund being secured

Agenda Item 5

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