

CABINET MEMBER FOR REGENERATION, LEISURE, CULTURE AND TOURISM

FRIDAY, 11 August 2023

PRESENT: Councillor: G.H. John (Cabinet Member);

The following officers were in attendance:

M. Bull, Economic Development Funding & Business Manager;
J. Leonard, Economic Development Officer: Business & Grants;
A. Nicholas, Rural Market Towns Officer;
C. Owen, Bureau Co-ordinator;
M. E. Pemberton, Rural Programmes Co-ordinator;
M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer.

Virtual Meeting: 10.00 am - 11.00 am

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of personal interest.

2. DECISION RECORD - 11TH JULY 2023

RESOLVED that the decision record of the meeting held on the 11th July 2023 be signed as a correct record.

**3. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FOLLOWING GRANT FUNDS:
TARGETED FINANCE FUND**

RESOLVED that the following application for assistance from the Targeted Finance Fund be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

Targeted Finance Fund	
Applicant	Award
Parc Stephens Community Association	£3,999.00
Drefach Community Sports Club	£20,000.00
Trimsaran Family Centre	£8,259.20

4. 10 TOWNS REVENUE FUND

RESOLVED that the following application for assistance from the 10 Towns Revenue Fund be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

Applicant	Award
Newcastle Emlyn Town Council	£4,999.00

5. TOWN CENTRE LOAN SCHEME

The Cabinet Member considered a report detailing proposed changes to some of the criteria of the Town Centre Loan in order to meet the current needs of

economy and to match other funding offers that Carmarthenshire County Council had on offer, in particular the Vacant Property Fund and Carmarthenshire Rural Enterprise Fund.

RESOLVED to approve the proposed changes to the criteria of the Town Centre Loan detailed in the report to meet with current market demand.

6. ORIEL MYRDDIN TRUST

RESOLVED, in order that the Oriel Myrddin Trust [OMT] can comply with its legal and regulatory duties, that Neil Confrey, Louise Morgan, Sally Moss and Nigel Roberts be reappointed as Independent Trustees to OMT with effect from 23rd September 2023.

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 REPORTS NOT FOR PUBLICATION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amended by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the following items were not for publication as the reports contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

8. ENTERPRISING COMMUNITIES

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 7 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 transparency and accountability is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining confidentiality, as disclosure would be likely to place persons and businesses named in the report at an unfair disadvantage in relation to their commercial competitors.

The Cabinet Member considered applications received for assistance from the Enterprising Communities fund.

RESOLVED

8.1 that the following applications for assistance from the Enterprising Communities fund be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

Applicant	Award
Atebol	£75,000.00
Camp Out West	£28,000.00
Carlam Cyf	£75,000.00
Carmarthen Deli Caerfyrddin	£75,000.00

Decus	£75,000.00
Diod	£32,801.97
Equal Education Partners	£43,106.00
Jenkins Garden Machinery Limited	£57,801.80
Old Oak Kitchens	£38,500.00
Olew Solutions – Pigo a Paco	£35,000.00
Onesta	£69,353.20
Carmarthenshire School of Gymnastics	£18,213.83
Swim Like a Fish	£29,400.00
Teilwr bach	£24,500.00
Tref Bach Tots	£73,564.00
Caffi Lolfa	£44,016.00
Mel Gwenyn Gruffydd	£23,411.50
Pruex	£24,779.00

8.2 that the following applications for assistance from the Enterprising Communities fund be not supported as they do not align with the key criteria of the fund:

Applicant
E.J. Thomas & Son
Little bit different
Llanelli Goods Shed
Menter Cwm Gwendraeth Elli
Mentrau Creadigol Cymru
Pinopolis
Sylen Lakes
Ynni Sir Gar
The Cattle Vet

8.3 to note that the application from Tadourna Wildlife had been withdrawn.

9. TOWN CENTRE LOAN

Following the application of the public interest test it was RESOLVED, pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 7 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 transparency and accountability is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining confidentiality, as disclosure would be likely to place persons and businesses named in the report at an unfair disadvantage in relation to their commercial competitors.

The Cabinet Member considered an application received for a Town Centre Loan.

RESOLVED that the following application for a Town Centre Loan be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

Applicant	Award
Phillips Lane Ltd	£331,275.00

CABINET MEMBER

DATE