

Minutes of the Annual Grants Meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held in Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg, Ffordd Cefn yr Hendy, Miskin, Pontyclun, at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 7 July, 2009.

PRESENT: Community Councillors Ms V A Cale, D Clayton-Jones, J G Davies, P Griffiths, J V Huish, S Jenkins, R G Norman, M Rea and C Willis

Also in attendance: Five members of the public were in attendance.

1. **Apologies for absence**

An apology for absence was received on behalf of Councillor S Rogers

2. **Declarations of interest**

Two members declared interests for the reasons stated on the schedule.

3. **Notice of Motion**

(Councillor Jenkins declared an interest in this item of business as the Chair of the 1st Miskin Scouts. Councillor Jenkins withdrew from the Council Chamber during discussion of the Notice of Motion.)

The Council discussed the following Notice of Motion from Councillor Norman:

“That bearing in mind the presentation given to this Council by Shelley Spiller on behalf of the local scouting movement that this Council makes a donation of £5,000 towards the

cost of repair works at their Miskin headquarters and that this sum be taken from the Council's reserves”

The Clerk advised that a costed estimate of the building work needed at the scouts' headquarters had been submitted to the Community Council. It showed the cost of the building work to be in the region of £41,000. The Council was of the view that to benefit from match funding the scouts' grant from the Council would need to be at least £10,000.

Councillor Norman was asked whether he would be prepared to accept an amendment to his resolution to allow the Council to make a donation of £10,000.00. Councillor Norman agreed to the amendment.

- RESOLVED:**
- (i) That the Council make a donation of £10,000.00 towards the scouts' appeal fund.
 - (ii) That the Council's contribution be made by stage payments.
 - (iii) That the donation be paid out of the Council's reserves.

4. **Matters reported for decision**

(a) **Exclusion of Press and public**

RESOLVED: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the next item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of information for a service provided by the Council

(b) **Allocation of grants for the 2009/10 financial year**

(Councillor Cale declared an interest in the application from Pontyclun Football Club since her son is a member of the Club. Councillor Cale took no part in the deliberations on the application)

Before awarding any grants the Clerk reminded the Council of the guidance received from the former District Auditor for awarding grants, namely:

- (a) whether the payment was of direct benefit
- (b) whether benefit is in proportion to the payment made
- (c) whether the organisation's own resources are sufficient and other potential income considered including other local councils'

- (d) whether the money was being used to circumvent any limitation on specific powers
- (e) whether the award of grants would result in a precedent leading to applications from other groups

RESOLVED: That the following grants be made:

Organisation	Amount
Merched Y Wawr	£75
Cantorian Ladies' Choir	£100
Pontyclun with Talygarn Parish	\$
Llantrisant & District Local History Society	£100
Pontyclun Women's Institute	£100
Pontyclun & District Allotments Association	£100
Pontyclun Senior Citizens	£200
Pontyclun Institute & Athletic Ladies Bowling Club	£100
Bobath Children's Therapy Centre, Wales	£100
St Paul's Church Nursery	* and \$
Hope –Penuel Presbyterian Church, Pontyclun	£150
1 st Pontyclun Boys' Brigade	£100
The Minnesingers	£100
Shelter Cymru	£100
Miskin & Mwyndy W. I.	£100
Miskin Manor Cricket Club (Seniors)	\$
Miskin Manor Cricket Club (Juniors)	\$
St Paul's Sunday School	£100
St David's Church, Miskin	\$
St David's Church, Groesfaen	\$
Pontyclun Athletic Men's Bowls Club	£200
Pontyclun RFC Under 16s Team	£200
1 st Miskin Mill Scout Group	See minute 3 above
Monday Young at Heart Club	£100
The Shift (former Bethel Baptist Church 11-14s Group)	£100
Perkin Elmer Short Green Bowls Club	£100
Girlguiding Central Glamorgan – Gorwelion Management Committee	No grant
Tuesday Young at Heat Club	£100
The Bridgend Samaritans	£100
Babell C M Church, Groesfaen	£250
Groesfaen Community Group	£150
Pontyclun Football Club	\$

Key:

\$ That further details be sought on the specific purpose for which a grant is required and the total estimated cost of that requirement.

* The Clerk declared an interest in this application as his wife is one of the organisers at the Nursery. The Clerk vacated the Council Chamber when the application was being discussed

5. The meeting ended at 7.45 p.m.