MINUTES OF POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, PONTYPOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY 9TH JANUARY 2019

In attendance:

Councillor: Mrs N. P. Parrish (In the Chair)

Councillors in attendance: J. Killick, Mrs E. Hunt,

Mrs G. E. James, R. Overton

Officers: Ms J. Wright, Mrs C. Challenger

291. Apologies

Apologies received from Councillors N. Byrne, G. Davies, Mrs J. E. Jones, A. Lang, B. Rapier

RECOMMENDED: that the apologies be noted.

292. **Declarations of Interest**

Councillors Mrs G. E. James, Mrs N. P. Parrish and R. Overton declared a personal interest as a member of Torfaen County Borough Council on any items relating to Torfaen Council.

RECOMMENDED: that the declarations of interest as outlined above be recorded.

JW

293. Schedule of Receipts and Payments

The Committee received and considered the schedule of receipts and payments for October and November 2018.

Reference was made to receipt number 367 – Community Woods Rent - £67.50. Councillor Overton asked if it was private land to which the Finance & Events Officer confirmed she was not sure, however as the Clerk was returning next week it was agreed that she produces a report on the background and the current position on the Community Woods.

RECOMMENDED: that the schedule of receipts and payments for October and a

294. Monitoring Report

The Committee received the monitoring report to the end of October 2018. The Chair informed members that from her observations no movements had been made from the previous month.

RECOMMENDED: that the monitoring report be received and the information noted.

HB

295. Credit Card Payments

The Committee approved payment by credit card for the following item:

Operator Chair £88.00 for Receptionist

RECOMMENDED: that the payment on the Council credit card as outlined above be approved.

296. Local Voluntary Funding

The Committee was asked to approve Local Voluntary Funding applications as follows. The Leader expressed enormous thanks to her fellow member Councillor Overton for contributing some of his Local Voluntary funding to the Pontypool War Memorials Project.

Cllr Mrs J. E. Jones

Leg Up - £500.00 Cold Barn Farm - £300.00 Trevethin Luncheon Club - £400.00 Bus & Coach Preservation - £100.00 (For clarification this is an organisation in Trevethin that restore old buses and coaches) S. 137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being s2 LGA 2000 Penygarn & Trevethin AFC - £200.00 s.19 LGA 1976/Misc Provisions

Cllr R. Overton

Pontypool War Memorials (Project) - £750.00 War Memorials LGA 1948/LGA S123

Panteg Methodist Church - £500.00 St. Michaels' Church, Llanvihangel, Pontymoile - £500.00 (For clarification this is the church next to the Horse & Jockey Pub).

S. 137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being s2 LGA 2000

Cllr Mrs J. G. Taylor

Cyfannol Women's Aid - £400.00 S. 137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being s2 LGA 2000

Cllr N. Byrne

Talywain OAP Club - £150.00 Cwmavon Community Hall - £150.00 Noddfa Chapel - £150.00 Torfaen Flying Start - £150.00 TOG's Centre - £100.00 High Street Baptist Chapel - £100.00 Pontypool Library - £150.00 Victoria Village OAP Club - £150.00 S.137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being s2 LGA 2000

Cllr J. Killick

Torfaen Gypsies & Travellers Association - £300.00 Tog's Centre - £300.00 s.137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being s2 LGA 2000

Cllr Mrs E. Chilcott JP

The Veteran's Association - £100.00 Cwmffrwdoer Primary School - £300.00 S. 137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being s2 LGA 2000

Cllr Mrs G. E. James

Clych Ti a Fi Pontypwl - £200.00 s.137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being s2 LGA 2000

Cllr Mrs R. Matthews

Parkinsons Association - £150.00 s.137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being s2 LGA 2000

RECOMMENDED: that the local voluntary funding as outlined above be approved.

CC

297. Council Chamber Bookings

The Committee received the Council Chamber Bookings for November and December 2018.

RECOMMENDED: that the Committee note the bookings for October.

CH

298. Grant Aid

The Committee was asked to approve the revised Grant Aid Form as agreed at September's Policy & Finance meeting. The Deputy Leader requested that item 7 be emphasised to organisations in respect of their contribution to Health and Well Being as outlined in the Future Generations Well Being Act as this would be extremely beneficial to the Council.

RECOMMENDED: that the revised Grant Aid Form be approved and that item 7 be emphasised to organisations in respect of their contribution to Health and Well Being.

CC

Financial Assistance

- 299. The Committee received financial requests from:
 - (i) St. David's Hospice Care
 - (ii) Teenage Cancer Trust Cymru

It was unanimously agreed by the Committee that £100.00 be awarded to each organisation in accordance with the Grants Policy for local organisations.

RECOMMENDED: that each organisation receives £100.00 as outlined above.

CC

Chair of Policy & Finance

