



**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

**DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet    DATE DECISION MADE: 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2015.**

***Agenda Item 9***

**SUBJECT:**

Welsh Church Act Fund – Review of Fund Criteria and Implementation arrangements.

**Cabinet Members Present  
County Borough Councillors:**

A.Morgan (Chairman), R.Bevan, A.Crimmings, M.Forey,  
E. Hanagan, G Hopkins. K. Montague, J. Rosser & M.Webber

**Other County Borough Councillor(s) in Attendance:-**

P Jarman, T Leyshon, L Walker, E Webster &  
P Wasley.

**1. DECISION MADE:**

**Agreed –**

- That the revised Welsh Church Act Fund criteria and implementation arrangements set out in paragraph 5.1 – 5.4 of the report are taken forward for formal consultation with Bridgend and Merthyr Councils
- That subject to no objections from Bridgend and Merthyr Councils, the new arrangements outlined within the report are implemented
- That the Director of Regeneration & Planning be authorised to make the necessary operational arrangements for Rhondda Cynon Taf Council
  - To support applicants as set out in paragraphs 7.3-7.4
  - To progress payments which support cashflow, as set out in paragraph 6.2 of the report.
- That a review of the revised arrangements is undertaken after a period of operation.

**2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:**

- The need to advise Cabinet of the proposed changes to the implementation arrangements of the fund, to bring the Welsh Church Act Fund in line with the grant offers provided by other funders, as well as ensuring a greater positive impact for local communities

**3. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:**

- Voluntary Sector Liaison Steering Group – 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2015.

**4. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:**

- County Borough Councillor A Morgan declared a personal interest “ Number of groups in my ward have benefitted from the fund”
- County Borough Councillor K Montague declared a personal interest “ I have worked with groups who have received funding ”
- County Borough Councillor R Bevan declared a personal interest “ I sign Welsh Church Act Funds applications”
- County Borough Councillor A Crimmings declared a personal interest “A group I’m involved with had received money from the Welsh Church Act Fund”.
- County Borough Councillor J Rosser declared a personal interest “Some of the organisations I have worked with have previously benefitted from the fund”.
- County Borough Councillor G Hopkins declared a personal interest “I have previously been involved with groups who have benefitted from the fund”.

**5. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):**  
N/A

**6. (a) IS THE DECISION URGENT AND NOT TO BE THE SUBJECT OF ANY CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:**

YES      NO

**Note:** This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 5 clear working days after its publication i.e. **30<sup>th</sup> October, 2015** to enable it to be the subject to the call In Procedure Rule 17.1 of the Overview & Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

**6. (b) IF YES, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION –MAKER THE DECISION IS URGENT:**

N/A

**6. (c) SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:**

N/A

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(Mayor)

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(Dated)



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(Proper Officer)

**22.10.15**  
(Dated)