

SUBJECT:	WELSH CHURCH FUND WORKING GROUP
MEETING:	Cabinet
DATE:	31st July 2019
DIVISIONS/WARD AFFECTED:	All

1. PURPOSE:

1.1 The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of Applications for the Welsh Church Fund Working Group meeting 4 held on the 18th July 2019.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

2.1 We resolved that the following grants be awarded as per the schedule of applications.

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED 2019/20 – MEETING 4.

- 1. Mathern & District Club, Mathern Village Hall** requested £3,000 in funding for the refurbishment of the toilets within the hall and the installation of a DDA changing place welfare facility including an adult ceiling hoist and changing table.

Recommendation: £1,000 was awarded to assist in providing disabled facilities for this community asset.

- 2. Monmouth & District Angling Society,** requested £958 to assist in providing safe ingress/egress steps for five identified angling locations on the River Wye at Monmouth. These will be built to specifications as required by Natural Resources Wales using only wood with no hard landscaping materials.

Recommendation: £758 was awarded to assist this sporting group in providing safe environmental access to the River Wye.

- 3 St Joseph's Caldicot ABC** requested £1,130 to assist in the purchase of new boxing equipment in the form of 10 x Kids Boxing Gloves, 10 x Adult Boxing gloves, safety head guards and a leather punch bag to help facilitate more community participation in the sport.

Recommendation: £130 was awarded to assist in funding this community sports organisation as the applicants had received additional funding from Caldicot Town Council.

- 4 Friends of our Lady Tintern (FOLT),** requested £4,000 to create a spiritual walk ('Pilgrimage') for the 21st Century where religious heritage is central to the occasion mapped onto a former medieval pilgrimage route to the Abbey

and the statue of Mother and Child. This will include signage, wooden sculptures, design and promotion of an inaugural event.

Recommendation: £600 was awarded to assist in creating a spiritual 'pilgrimage' path to Our Lady Tintern for visitors.

- 5 St Mary's Church, Tregaer** requested £1,500 to fund the refurbishment of the 'sub-standard' electrical installation throughout the church

Recommendation: £1,500 was awarded to assist in the refurbishment of the electrical system in this community church

3. OPTIONS APPRAISAL

Options available to the Committee are driven by the information only supplied by the applicants

4. EVALUATION CRITERIA

No evaluation criteria is applicable to the grant awarded by the trust

5. REASONS

A Meeting took place on Thursday 18th July 2019 of the Welsh Church Fund Cabinet Working Group to recommend the payment of grants as detailed in the attached schedule (Appendix 2).

County Councillors in attendance:

County Councillor D. Evans (Vice Chair)
County Councillor B. Strong
County Councillor S. Woodhouse

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

D Jarrett Central Finance
W Barnard Committee Administration

5.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

5.2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

County Councillor A. Webb (Chair)

5.3 CONFIRMATION OF REPORT OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meetings held on the 20th June 2019 were confirmed and signed as a true record.

.RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

A total of £3,988 was allocated at Meeting 4 of the Welsh Church Fund Committee. The remaining balance of £15,019 will be carried forward for distribution within the 2019-20 financial year.

6. WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS IMPLICATIONS (INCORPORATING EQUALITIES, SUSTAINABILITY, SAFEGUARDING AND CORPORATE PARENTING):

There are no Future Generations, equality, safeguarding, corporate parenting or sustainable development implications directly arising from this report. The assessment is contained in the attached appendix.

6.1.1 CONSULTEES:

Senior Leadership Team
All Cabinet Members
Head of Legal Services
Assistant Head of Finance
Central Finance Management Accountant

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Welsh Church Fund Schedule of Applications 2019/20– Meeting 4 (Appendix 2)

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