

SUBJECT: GILWERN LIBRARY – EXTENSION OF LICENCE

MEETING: INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER DECISION

CABINET MEMBER: COUNCILLOR PAUL JORDAN

DATE: 10TH October 2018

DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED: All

1. PURPOSE:

To seek approval to extend the licence arrangement with Llanelly Community Council to occupy accommodation at Gilwern Community Centre enabling continued provision of the local authority library service at Gilwern.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That approval be granted to continue to occupy space under licence within Gilwern Community Centre for a nominal rental payment to Llanelly Community Council.

3. KEY ISSUES:

- 3.1 Monmouthshire County Council presently occupy space under a licence from Llanelly Community Council for a nominal rent of £1 per annum to provide a library service in Gilwern. This present arrangement expires on 31 March 2019 and have reached an agreement with the Community Council to extend this for a further three years securing the provision until at least 31 March 2022.
- 3.2 The Community Centre is located at Common Road, Gilwern, NP7 0DS and is a established service operating alongside the larger community hubs within the county and providing a valued service to the local community

4. REASONS:

To ensure the continued provision of a local library service for residents of Gilwern and surrounding communities.

To enable the Council to discharge its duties as Library Authority under the Public Libraries and Museums Act 1964

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

The cost of the licence is £1 per annum. There are no additional resource implications as operating costs are part of the existing revenue budget.

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

The report does not propose an alteration to the existing service and therefore no assessment has been carried out. However the county council and community council will use this review point as an opportunity to examine the internal configuration of the building to see if there are opportunities to further enhance service provision.

7. CONSULTEES:

Cabinet

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Llanelly Community Council

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

None

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