

At a Special Meeting of the **FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held on Wednesday 30th March 2011, at the Civic Offices, Wellington Road Community Centre, Rhyl commencing at 6.00pm.

PRESENT

Councillor D. A. J. Thomas (Chair)

Councillors J. B. Bellis, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, Mrs L. M. Edwards, M. C. Espley, I. A. Gunning, Ms D. Hannam, Miss M. A. Jones, Mrs M. McCarroll, Mrs W. M. Mullen-James and T. Thomas.

Mr G. J. Nickels	-	Town Clerk
Mr P. M. Thomas	-	Finance Officer
Miss H. J. Windus	-	Personal Assistant & Secretary

203. APOLOGIES

Apologies for non-attendance were received on behalf of Councillors J. Butterfield (other commitment), Mrs J. Butterfield (other commitment), C. Davies (work commitment), Ms G. A. Jones (indisposed), D. W. Lee (work commitment) and G. J. Pickering (work commitment).

204. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting for consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960, on the grounds of confidentiality.

205. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT AID

The Finance Officer introduced and presented his confidential report (circulated with Agenda), relating to applications received in response to the Town Council's public invitation to voluntary and charitable organisations to apply for grant aid for the year 2011/2012.

The report:

- (i) identified the Terms of Reference of the Committee and indicated that the Committee's recommendations would be referred to the Council meeting to be held on 20th April 2011.
- (ii) identified the emphasis that had been placed upon the organisation's response to the question of the benefit to Rhyl and that the organisation's own words had been used within the written report.
- (iii) reminded Members that they should consider whether they have a personal or prejudicial interest in any applications and whether the Rhyl Town Council Code of Conduct requires them to disclose that interest.

- (iv) advised that full copies of all applications were available for inspection at the meeting.
- (v) advised of the necessary budget and legal considerations.
- (vi) Appendix A to the report, which listed named organisations within the Council's budget that had submitted a valid application.
- (vii) Appendix B to the report, which identified other organisations, which had submitted valid applications and advised that there was a significant shortfall due to the applicant organisations having requested sums in total greater than in the Budget.
- (viii) Appendix C to the report, identifying organisations which had been sent application forms on request, but which had subsequently failed to make an application. In addition the Appendix identified one withdrawn application and two rejected applications due to the provision of inadequate documentation.
- (ix) Appendix D to the report, identifying the relevant budgets available.
- (x) Appendix E to the report, a copy of the Grant Application Form and accompanying Advice to Applicants.
- (xi) identified a suggested procedure to be followed by the Committee in determining the applications.

The Committee considered each application individually in turn and when completed was advised by the Finance Officer that the recommended awards had come in under budget by £4,650. The Finance Officer invited the Committee to determine whether to hold the amount in Reserves to meet any potential applications for grant within the year or alternatively to reconsider some or all applications again with a view to awarding revised grants.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) *£4,650 be kept in Reserves for use during the 2011/12 financial year.*
- (b) *in respect of applications identified within Appendix A, approve grants as follows:*

Ref. No.	Organisation	Amount applied for	Budget provision	Committee Recommendation
020	Rhyl Community Association	£12,000	£10,910	£10,910
074	Benefit Advice Shop	£8,000	£5,000	£5,000
088	Victim Support Cymru	£1,000	£300	£500

(b) in respect of applications identified within Appendix B, approve grants as follows:

Ref. No.	Organisation	Amount Applied For	Committee Recommendation
002	Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod	£100	£100
006	Rhyl Harbour Forum	£500	£500
009	Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Cymru	£ any	£100
011	Denbighshire Care & Repair	£2,000	£0
012	North Wales Deaf Association	£1,650	£1,000
013	Grove Park Bowling & Social Club	£ any	£500
015	Rhyl Community Furniture Recycling Ltd	£5,000	£1,500
018	SPAN (Denbighshire)	£3,000	£1,000
019	North Wales Association for Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus	£500	£250
022	Rhyl in Bloom	£4,000	£4,000
024	St. Vincent De Paul Society	£3,000	£1,000
027	The Kids Fun Club	£2,000	£1,000
030	The North Wales Chrysalis Trust	£300	£300
039	Rhyl Tynewydd Townswomen's Guild	£ any	£200
041	St. Kentigern Hospice	£1,000	£1,000
045	Park View Residents Association	£250	£250
050	Rhyl Wheelchair Basketball Club	£1,750	£1,750
053	Dyserth Crown Green Bowling Club	£595	£0
058	Prestatyn & Rhyl Lions Club	£500	£500
060	Bedford Street Community Company Limited	£2,500	£1,000
061	The Vale Association	£2,000	£500
063	4 th Rhyl Rainbows	£1,000	£1,000
065	Playdays Playgroup	£500	£500
067	Rhyl Chess Club	£500	£150
069	Normandy Veterans Association – North Wales Coast Branch	£250	£250
070	1 st Rhyl Scout Group	£750	£350
072	Sunny Rhyl Bowls Club	£2,500	£2,000
075	Rhyl Silver Band	£600	£600
077	Marsh Community Association	£1,500	£750
079	North Wales Association of WRENS	£1,000	£1,000
081	Rhyl May Day Association	£1,250	£500
084	North Denbighshire Domestic Abuse Service	£3,000	£1,500
085	North East Wales Carers Information Service (NEWCIS)	£4,000	£1,000
086	The Parish of Rhyl	£2,000	£2,000
087	RhylCreate Limited	£4,800	£2,400
089	South West Rhyl Communities First	£2,000	£2,000

Ref. No.	Organisation	Amount Applied For	Committee Recommendation
091	Rhyl Music Club	£500	£500
092	Rhyl Steam Preservation Trust	£4,000	£2,000
094	Friends of Rhyl High School	£3,492	£2,500
095	Rhyl Youth Marching Band	£709	£500
096	Clwb CIC (Clwb Ieuentid Cymraeg) Welsh Young People's Club	£500	£500
097	Marine Lake Users Forum	£3,500	£3,000
098	Deafblind Cymru: Look Hear Social Group	£8,050	£2,000
099	Alzheimer's Society – Denbighshire Branch	£350	£350
100	Denbighshire Friends of ChildLine	£350	£350
101	Soroptimist International (Rhyl & District)	£500	£500
102	Rhyl & District Musical Theatre Company	£2,000	£1,000
103	Rhyl Football in the Community	£1,759	£1,000
104	Glan Morfa Cycling Association	£1,000	£1,000

(c) The following Members and Officers made declarations of interest in respect of the following applications

Councillor	Application No.	Type of Declaration Made
J. B. Bellis	011	Prejudicial
	020	Prejudicial but used dispensation to speak & vote
	088	Prejudicial
J. Chamberlain-Jones	006	Prejudicial but remained to speak & vote as app. was within the £500 limit
	022	Prejudicial
	079	Prejudicial
	086	Prejudicial
M. C. Espley	020	Prejudicial but used dispensation to speak & vote
	086	Prejudicial
	094	Personal
	097	Prejudicial
I. A. Gunning	094	Prejudicial
	102	Prejudicial
M. A. Jones	022	Prejudicial
	086	Prejudicial
	096	Prejudicial but remained to speak & vote as app. was within the £500 limit
M. McCarroll	024	Prejudicial
	027	Personal
	089	Prejudicial
W. M. Mullen-James	022	Prejudicial
	045	Prejudicial but

		<i>remained to speak & vote as app. was within the £500 limit</i>
	092	<i>Prejudicial</i>
	094	<i>Personal</i>

Councillor	Application No.	Type of Declaration Made
<i>T. Thomas</i>	<i>020</i>	<i>Prejudicial but used dispensation to speak & vote</i>
	<i>065</i>	<i>Prejudicial but remained to speak & vote as app. was within the £500 limit</i>

206. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the Chair reminded Members that all decisions should remain confidential until the April Council meeting and then declared the meeting closed.

Chair:

Date: