

CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

MINUTES OF THE EXTERNAL FUNDING PANEL

**HELD AT COMMITTEE ROOM 6, GUILDHALL, SWANSEA ON
WEDNESDAY, 3 JUNE 2015 AT 3.30 PM**

PRESENT:

Councillor(s):	Councillor(s):	Councillor(s):
M C Child	W Evans	C E Lloyd

ALSO PRESENT:

Councillors J E C Harris, J A Raynor and M Thomas

Officers:

S Martin	-	Voluntary Sector Relationship Co-ordinator
S Richards	-	Legal
P Relf	-	European Officer
K Boyle	-	Grant Co-ordinator
J Parkhouse	-	Democratic Services Officer

1 ELECTION OF CHAIR PRO-TEM.

RESOLVED that Councillor C E Lloyd be elected Chair pro tem for this meeting.

(COUNCILLOR C E LLOYD PRESIDED)

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R Francis-Davies, Councillor R C Stewart and from Carol Green.

3 DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, the following interest was declared: -

Councillor M Thomas – Minutes No.5 – Item 5.1 – Rural Development Plan 2014-2020 – Ward Councillor for Penclawdd – Personal.

4 **MINUTES:**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the External Funding Panel held on 16 April 2015 be approved as a correct record subject to the following amendment:

Amend the spelling of Councillor J Harries to J Harris.

5 **OVERVIEW OF CURRENT AND FORTHCOMING EUROPEAN AND EXTERNAL FUNDING APPLICATIONS.**

The European Officer provided an update on current and planned European and other external funding applications in progress or nearing approval and informed the Panel of early notification of proposed forthcoming funding applications and programmes. The applications were categorised by funding programme and theme. A broad summary of existing and future European funding programmes previously reported to the External Funding Panel in August 2014 was provided at Appendix A.

The Panel considered the applications contained within the report.

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the WREN grant be accepted if the application is successful;
- (2) the project enquiry form for Hafod Copper Works be submitted to HLF;
- (3) the draft logic table be submitted to appropriate City Region Pillar Working Groups and WEFO;
- (4) an URBACT III application be pursued under the innovation theme;
- (5) alternative funding options for the city centre be explored further;
- (6) the indicative allocation of £1.4M RDP be accepted and that regular reports be made on progress to the External Funding Panel and that the programme also be reported to Cabinet;
- (7) opportunities to access other European programmes be actively explored.

6 **APPLICATION FOR WESTERN BAY SMAF FUNDING FROM CAER LAS CYMRU.**

The Grant Co-ordinator informed the Panel regarding a draft capital bid which will be considered by the Western Bay Area Planning Board on 3 June 2015. The funding was for £230,000 in respect of the Dragon Centre which was the former Swansea Cyrenians building.

The Panel would be kept informed of any developments.

7 **DATES AND TIMES OF FUTURE MEETINGS FOR 2015/2016 MUNICIPAL YEAR
(ALL AT 3.30 PM):**

NOTED the following dates and times of future meetings: -

- 5 August 2015;
- 7 October 2015;
- 2 December 2015;
- 3 February 2016;
- 6 April 2016.

The meeting ended at 5.05 pm

CHAIR