

#### **City and County of Swansea**

### Minutes of the External Funding Panel

#### Committee Room 5 - Guildhall, Swansea

Wednesday, 3 July 2019 at 2.00 pm

Present: Councillor C E Lloyd (Vice Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)Councillor(s)Councillor(s)M C ChildA S LewisA Pugh

J A Raynor M Thomas

Officer(s)

Caritas Adere Senior Lawyer

Allison Lowe Democratic Services Officer
Jay McCabe Principal Officer: Bays+/YOS

Kelly Small Head of Funding and Information Unit
Jane Whitmore Partnership & Commissioning Manager

Gaynor Winsor Accountant

**Apologies for Absence** 

Councillor(s): R Francis-Davies, D H Hopkins, E J King and R C Stewart, A H

Stevens

#### 4 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City & County of Swansea, the following interests were declared:

Councillor M Thomas declared a personal interest in Minute 7 "Education Grants" as Governor of Penclawdd Primary School.

#### 5 Minutes:

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the External Funding Panel held on 5 June 2019 be approved and signed as a correct record.

# Welsh Government Homelessness Prevention Grant Innovation Funding for Training Flats for Care Leavers 2019/20.

The Partnership and Commissioning Manager supported by the Principal Officer: Bays+/YOS presented a report to advise the panel of the award of funding in relation to the Homelessness Prevention Grant, which is an Innovation Funded grant and has been applied for the City & County of Swansea in partnership with Barnardos.

## Minutes of the External Funding Panel (03.07.2019) Cont'd

The funding would provide an outreach programme delivered to 100 young people aged 15+ while they are still living in their home, foster care or residential placement in order to prevent youth homelessness.

In addition, this funding would cover intensive 1:1 support to 55 young people who are looked after children aged 16+ at risk of placement breakdown.

The final element of the funding would provide a 4-12 week 'transition training flat experience' comprising of 5 units of accommodation for young people aged 16+ with intensive floating support. The aim being for 26 people to participate in the training flat experience over the 12 months period of funding.

**Resolved** that External Funding Panel note the implications contained in this report and retrospectively approve the acceptance of the Grant.

#### 7 Education Grants.

The Head of Funding and Information Unit presented a report to note the number of grants received by schools each year and to accept grants provided to date in the financial year 2019-2020.

She highlighted in particular paragraphs:

- 3.3 Pupil Development Grant (PDG);
- 3.10 Reducing Infant Class Sizes (RICS);
- 3.11 Small and Rural Schools Grant;
- 3.23 Graph outlining the full list of grants allocated to each school;
- 4.8 Teachers' Pensions;
- 4.10 School Holiday Enrichment Programme (SHEP);
- 5 Cynydd:
- 6 School Uniform Grant.

The Panel asked various questions to the officer, who responded appropriately.

The Cabinet Member for Education Improvement, Learning & Skills thanked the Head of Funding and Information Unit and her team for all the work involved in the grant process. As a result of engaging with Head teachers early in the grant process it had increased confidence and made the process more transparent.

**Resolved** that External Funding Panel note the number of grants received by schools and accept grants offered to date in financial year 2019-2020.

The meeting ended at 2.29 pm

Chair