

External Funding Panel – 2 November 2016

To provide an update on Welsh Government Grant to support Small Scale Flood Risk Management Schemes

Purpose:	To provide an update on Welsh Government Grant to support small flood risk management schemes
Policy Framework:	Delivery of National Strategy for Flooding and Coastal Erosion Management in Wales and to comply with policies.
Reason for Decision:	To inform External Funding Panel of the grant received by the Authority to proceed with 3 small scale flood risk management schemes
Consultation:	Legal, Finance and Access to Service
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that the External Funding Panel endorses the grant to support the identified schemes
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1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is to provide an update to the External Funding Panel with the Welsh Government grant opportunity to support small scale flood risk management infrastructure.
- 1.2 In January 2016 Local Authorities were invited to submit applications for grant funding to support minor flood risk management works and emergency repairs.
- 1.3 The three small flood risk schemes which were submitted to Welsh Government for consideration for grant monies had already been

programmed for works to be completed for year 16/17 using the Authority's capital drainage budget.

Scheme Name	Grant Rate	Total Cost of Works	Grant Award
Bryn Y Mor Road.	85%	90k	76.5k
Libanus Road	85%	45k	38.25k
Pont Llechart, Craig Cefn Parc.	100%	35k	35k

1.4 The three schemes were prioritised for completion in the year 16/17 predominantly to reduce flood risk in the Brynymor Road, Gowerton and Libanus Road, Gorseinon localities where frequent flooding incidents have previously been experienced by local residents. With regard to the works required at Pont Llechart Craig Cefn Parc, emergency works are required to repair the damaged culvert and banks of the watercourse which will protect the integrity of the highway.

1.5 The grant funding will support previously identified schemes and will ultimately reduce expenditure for the Authority.

2.0 Equality and Engagement Implications

2.1 Overall screening having been undertaken and indicating no requirement for a full EIA report at this stage.

2.2 Little direct impact on public at this stage. The project itself will be screened separately on commencement.

3.0 Financial Implications

3.1 Welsh Government has provided grant support to small scale flood risk management schemes which have been identified for completion before end of this financial year.

4.0 Legal Implications

4.1 The constitution requires that External Funding Panel endorses grant funding.

5.0 Recommendation

5.1 It is recommended that the External Funding Panel endorses the grant to support the identified schemes

Background Papers:
EFP 1