



City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the **External Funding Panel**

Committee Room 5, Guildhall, Swansea

Wednesday, 4 October 2017 at 2.00 pm

Present: Councillor R C Stewart (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)

W Evans
M Thomas

Councillor(s)

R Francis-Davies

Councillor(s)

M Sherwood

Officer(s)

Rachel Evans
Chris Francis
Allison Lowe
Spencer Martin
Paul Relf
Sandie Richards
Elliott Williams
Gaynor Winsor

Principal Officer - Supporting People, Adult Services
Adult Social Services Contracting Officer
Democratic Services Officer
Voluntary Sector Relationship Coordinator
External Funding Manager
Principal Lawyer
External Funding Manager
Accountant

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): M C Child, D H Hopkins and C E Lloyd

15 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

16 Minutes.

Resolved that the Minutes of the External Funding Panel held on 6 September 2017 be signed and approved as a correct record.

17 Grant For Expanding Edge of Care Services 2017/18.

The Panel Members considered a report to advise on the award of the Grant for Expanding Edge of Care Services 2017/18.

The grant had already been awarded direct by Welsh Government and had not required an application from the Council. The funding, which had been made available as a result of consequential funding from the UK Government's March budget, was intended to support local authorities to meet increasing demand.

Resolved that the Panel noted the implications contained in the report and retrospectively approved the acceptance of the Grant.

18 Grants to Provide Additional Support to Young People Leaving Care.

The Panel considered a report to advise on the award of the following grants to Support Care Leavers:

- Grant for Supporting Care Leavers to Successful Futures;
- St. David's Day Grant.

These grants had been awarded directly by Welsh Government and did not require an application from the Council. The funding, which had been made available as a result of consequential funding from the UK Government's March budget, is intended to support local authorities to meet increasing demand.

Resolved that the Panel noted the implications contained in the report and retrospectively approved the acceptance of the Grants.

19 Grant to Support the National Approach to Statutory Advocacy.

The Panel considered a report regarding the award of the Grant for the Western Bay Advocacy Service 2017-18.

The grant had already been awarded direct by Welsh Government and had not required an application from the Council.

The purpose of the funding is to support the implementation of the National Approach to Statutory Advocacy.

Resolved that the Panel noted the implications contained in the report and retrospectively approved the acceptance of the Grant.

20 Carers Respite Care Grant.

The Panel received a report on the award of the Carer's Respite Care Grant 2017-18.

The grant had already been awarded direct by Welsh Government and had not required an application from the Council.

The purpose of the funding was to enable Local Authorities to deliver additional respite care for Carers (including Young Carers) in their Local Authority including:

- Day Care – a service provided outside the home without any elements of overnight stay for the Carer or the recipient of care
- In home respite – a (paid) care worker coming into the family home to 'sit' with the care recipient
- Host family respite – the Carer and the care recipient take a break together, staying with a host family

- Institutional / overnight respite - allows breaks away from the family home for the care recipient for one or more nights

Resolved that the Panel noted the implications contained in the report and retrospectively approved the acceptance of the Grant.

21 Exclusion of the Public.

The Panel was requested to exclude the public from the meeting during the consideration of the item of business identified in the recommendations to the report on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in the exclusion paragraph of 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, relevant to the item of business as set out in the report.

The Panel considered the Public Interest Test in deciding to exclude the public from the meeting for the item of business where the Public Interest Test was relevant, as set out in the report.

It was **Resolved** that the public be excluded for the following item of business.

(Closed Session)

22 Overview of Current and Forthcoming European and External Funding Applications.

The Panel considered a report which provided an update on current and planned European and other External funding applications.

The report was an update on previous European and External funding reports to the External Funding Panel, aiming to provide:

- An update on European and External funding applications in progress or nearing approval;
- Early notification of proposed forthcoming funding applications and programmes.

Resolved that the recommendations as outlined in the report be noted and approved.

The meeting ended at 2.03 pm

Chair