

# General Grants Committee

## Minutes of the meeting held on 10 July 2012

**PRESENT:** Messrs. T.LI. Hughes, W.I. Hughes, Eric Jones, R.L. Owen, Eric Roberts.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Secretary,  
Head of Service (Finance),  
Capital & Treasury Accountant (BD),  
Accountancy Assistant (Finance) (LW),  
Administrative Assistant (Education) (CS),  
Committee Officer (MEH).

**APOLOGIES:** Messrs. W.J. Chorlton, Jim Evans, R.LI. Hughes, G.O. Jones, Raymond Jones, R.LI. Jones, Rhian Medi, G.W. Roberts OBE, Peter S. Rogers.

**ALSO PRESENT:** None

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### 1 ELECTION OF CHAIR

Mr. Eric Jones was re-elected Chair.

He thanked the Members for their confidence in him.

### 2 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

Mr. Raymond Jones was re-elected Vice-Chair in his absence.

### 3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 July, 2011 were confirmed.

Members of the Committee considered that the 'Criteria for the Allocation of Grants from the Isle of Anglesey Charitable Trust' needed to be updated and discussed. It was considered that a Panel be established to give detailed discussion in respect of the criteria for the allocation of grants from the membership of the General Grants Committee. It was also considered that details of all grants that have been allocated in previous years which have not been claimed should also be afforded to the Panel.

Following further deliberations, it was **RESOLVED** :-

- **That a Panel be established to update and discuss the Criteria for the Allocation of Grants with a membership of :-**

**Chair and Vice-Chair of the General Grants Committee;  
Chair of the Isle of Anglesey Charitable Trust;  
Messrs. T.LI. Hughes, W.I. Hughes, R.L. Owen, Eric Roberts.**

- **That the recommendations of the Panel be forwarded to the General Grants Committee thereafter;**
- **That the Panel be afforded details of all the grants awarded over the previous 3/4 years that have not been paid due to inability of the organisations to comply with the Trust's criteria.**

## 4 ANNUAL GRANTS 2012/13

Submitted – report on behalf of the Treasurer in relation to the above.

It was reported that the purpose of the report was to consider applications relevant to the Isle of Anglesey Charitable Trust. The other applications, that is applications to the Welsh Church Fund, will be considered separately. Allocations are made annually from the Isle of Anglesey Charitable Trust to the following categories of projects :-

- Community and Sporting Facilities (small capital projects)
- Other Grants (mainly one-off small grants)

At its meeting on 29 May, 2012 the full Charitable Trust confirmed an allocation of £50,000 for the General Grants Committee to allocate to the usual categories.

The relevant Officers from the departments involved have considered and prioritised the applications received as far as possible and consistent with the Trust's decisions, criteria established in previous years and within the amount of funding available for allocation. The Officer's recommendations were shown in Appendices A and B attached to the report. It was noted that the applications are considered in accordance with the 'Criteria for the Allocation of Grants from the Charitable Trust', a copy of which was attached as Appendix C to the report.

It was noted that two other applications, which were not included within the proposed grants allocation were considered potentially worthy of support. It would be possible to support either or both by reducing the percentage rate of grant or by reverting to the full Trust.

The application were :-

**Application 14 - Lligwy Guide Centre** (To make the building more energy efficient and to improve the access and accommodation for disabled users)

It was noted that due consideration had been given to the benefit the Guide Centre at Moelfre was to the community. The Guide Centre is used by tourist during the summer months but it was noted the local community make use of the centre. It was further noted that the Guide Centre had received a grant 3 years ago.

Members considered that the application should be supported and that the organisation be afforded 50% of the grant allocation.

**It was RESOLVED to afford a grant of 50% to the Lligwy Guide Centre, based upon the cost less contribution from Môn Community Fund (£2,109).**

**Application 46 - Môn FM (Community Radio Project)** (To fund a transmitter and aerial kit)

The Secretary gave the Committee background information in relation to this application. He noted that it is the intention of Môn FM to visit local schools to afford young people the opportunity to learn about the recording and media business. It was noted that Môn FM has attained an operator's License from Ofcom and have a full Business Plan in place. It was considered that the application was worthy to be supported.

The Head of Service (Finance) reported that if the application was to be supported for the maximum sum of £6,000, it would be significantly more than the allocated £50,000 by the Charitable Trust for grant allocations and the resulting grant rate for the other projects would be lowered.

Members considered that more details were required in respect of this application if the Committee was to support the venture.

It was agreed that the best course would be once the information was available, to refer the application decision to the earlier of the next meeting of the full Trust, or the meeting of the Committee convened to discuss the revised guidelines as discussed earlier.  
It was **RESOLVED** :-

- **That further details be attained in respect of this application in respect of :-**

**Conditions of the Operator's License**

**Business Plan**

**Other grants attained by Môn FM**

**The set-up (details of the Secretary, Treasurer etc.)**

- **The application to be discussed at the appropriate meeting in due course.**

**The applications received and sums recommended for Community Facilities Allocation for 2012/13 are as follows :-**

(24) Corn Hir Pre-School Club	To purchase a shed to store the children's toys & to purchase a small wooden house	<b>(NIL)</b>  <i>(The Trust has not in the past supported pre-school groups)</i>
(32) RAF Valley Community Covenant Partnership – Heritage Centre	To hose a Community Access Heritage Centre at an off-base location that overlooks the RAF Valley Airfield	<b>(NIL)</b>  <i>(The amount requested towards the project is not within the financial scope of the Trust)</i>
(1) Brynsiencyn Snooker Club	Electrical rewiring	<b>(£1,498)</b>
(2) Padrig Leisure Club	To purchase equipment for rolling Bowling mat	<b>(£464)</b>
(8) Melody Makers	Purchase CCTV equipment for stage Performances	<b>(NIL)</b>  <i>(The Group's performances are held in the Benllech Community &amp; Ex-Servicemen's Hall. The application form states that the CCTV will be of benefit to other hall users and the local community. However, the hall received funding in 2011/12 towards a replacement boiler)</i>
(9) Bangor Rotary Club	Towards costs of the Annual Country Fayre at Wern Farm Menai Bridge on 5 <sup>th</sup> August, 2012	<b>(NIL)</b>

		<p><i>(The Club applied for funding in 2011/12 towards the fayre. This was rejected for the following reasons : Funding need not demonstrated; Location of applicant; Past distribution of surplus off the Island)</i></p>
(7) Old Gaffers Association	Display of traditionally rigged Vessel at Holyhead	<p><b>(NIL)</b></p> <p><i>(The event will run from 31<sup>st</sup> August to the 2<sup>nd</sup> September. This will be the 6<sup>th</sup> year they have held this event. Lack supporting documents and information with the application, such as constitution, accounts etc.)</i></p>
(10) Llangefni Tai Chi	To support the running costs of the Group	<p><b>(NIL)</b></p> <p><i>(Running costs are not eligible for funding)</i></p>
(11) Artichoke Trust	To fund the distribution of bilingual Marketing materials for the London 2012 Commission Peace Camp at Cemaes Bay	<p><b>(NIL)</b></p> <p><i>(Part of a national plan relating to the Olympic games. The organisation has a balance of £630,000)</i></p>
(15) Esceifiog Gaerwen Centre/	Improvements to the outside area of Village Hall the building	<b>(£4,960)</b>
(19) Valley Community Council	To develop Pitch 3 at Parc Mwd, Valley	<p><b>(£736)</b></p> <p><i>(Subject to producing proof of title)</i></p>
(20) Beaumaris Band	Renew 2 bass	<p><b>(NIL)</b></p> <p><i>(Quotes requested but not received)</i></p>
(22) Boston Centre Stage	Renew the ceiling	<p><b>(NIL)</b></p> <p><i>(The conference room has very bad condensation which has caused the ceiling tiles to stain and insulation is soaking wet. They plan to drill vent holes in the walls to solve the condensation problem and then replace the tiles and insulation. No</i></p>

(25)Llaingoch and District Horticultural Society	To hold the Annual Flower Show	evidence provided that this work will alleviate the damp problems). <b>(NIL)</b>
		<i>(The Society will be celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Show this year – a grant was awarded to them last year towards this year’s show. They are therefore not eligible).</i>
(26)Bro Goronwy Football Club	Create a safe standing area for spectators and safe area for disabled spectators	<b>(£1,798)</b>
		<i>(Subject to a suitable lease agreement being in place)</i>
(33)Naturebites	Advertising and branding	<b>(NIL)</b>
		<i>(The application is from an individual and not an organisation and therefore is ineligible)</i>
(34)Creative Music for Sport	Marketing material, bilingual Signs and to hire a bilingual trainer	<b>(NIL)</b>
		<i>(This application is for a new venture. The organisation is a partnership and it is not clear whether this would be profit making)</i>
(35)Aelwyd yr Ynys	To purchase a piano	<b>(£1,920)</b>
(36)Tudur Parents for Play	To purchase play area equipment	<b>(£6,000)</b>
(37)Rhosmeirch Playing Fields Society	To improve playing facilities	<b>(£6,000)</b>
(38)Pentraeth Memorial Hall	To decorate the hall	<b>(NIL)</b>
		<i>(Decorating of village halls does not meet with criteria for grants as these establishments receive annual grants from the Trust towards revenue costs)</i>
(39)Moelfre Lifeboat Fundraising Group	To purchase disco equipment	<b>(NIL)</b>
		<i>(The purpose of the club is to raise money for the RNLI and local charities. This is not something that the Trust has supported in the past)</i>

(42)Alleni	Provide opportunities for people in theatres and musicals and produce a musical show on Anglesey	<b>(NIL)</b>  <i>(The project is not far enough developed to justify being supported this year)</i>
(27)Bryngwran Community Council	To enhance and make safe the outer limits of playing field	<b>(NIL)</b>  <i>(The Community Council was awarded funding in 2010/11 and so is not eligible for funding this year)</i>
(29)Plas Road Project (Allotments)	Purchase 5 sheds and 4 greenhouses	<b>(£2,432)</b>  <i>(£2,100 for purchase of sheds &amp; greenhouses and £560 for erecting. Subject to obtaining 2 quotes)</i>
(31)Rhosybol Community Centre	Refurbish the centre and disabled toilets and purchase sound equipment and furniture	<b>(£6,000)</b>
(43)Llangefni Drama Group	Refurbish toilets and the youth group practice/assembly room	<b>(£6,000)</b>

(45)Corn Hir Play Area (Ffrindiau Pandy)	To provide a safe, stimulating play environment	<b>(NIL)</b>  (Have received a grant for £2,000 from the Fair Share Trust. The land is owned by Llangefni Town Council. The level of funding applied for is beyond the financial means of the Trust)
(48)Kiddyland Day Nursery	To renovate the garden into a child friendly modern safe area	<b>(NIL)</b>  (Need to send quote for 'awning' and accounts)
(49)Holyhead Community Art Class	To provide art tuition in Holyhead	<b>(NIL)</b>  (This is an application towards running costs and therefore not eligible)
(4)Malltraeth Ymlaen	To purchase chairs	<b>(£899)</b>
(17)Llangefni Town Football Club	To install a new generator to power the floodlights	<b>(£6,000)</b>
(18)Moelfre Community Church Hall	To purchase an oven, computers and a projector	<b>(£1,600)</b>  (Subject to obtaining a second quote for computers)
(4)Criad Niwbwrch	To purchase curtains and stage lighting system	<b>(£1,341)</b>
(28)Bro Goronwy History Society	Assistance with costs : lecturers, printing, hire of chapel vestry to hold meetings, secretary's costs	<b>(NIL)</b>  (alternative funding found for this application)

**The applications received and sums recommended for Small Grants for 2012/13 are as follows :-**

(30)Holyhead Cancer Support Group	To pay for production and publication of a second book which is turn will be sold in local shops with a proposed income of approximately £15,000. This will allow the group to continue with their various activities and trips for the foreseeable future.	<b>(NIL)</b>  (This application is to assist in fundraising and not for a direct purpose in itself. Running costs are not eligible for funding)
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(13)Coffee House Pensioner Group	To fund recreational opportunities for the group, for example taking them on days out	<b>(NIL)</b>
		<i>(Running costs are not eligible for funding)</i>
(16)Digartref Ynys Môn Cyf.	To extend the existing 'Lighthouse' Day Centre service to include a weekend service for rough sleepers	<b>(NIL)</b>
		<i>(Running costs are not eligible for funding)</i>
(41)St. John Cymru/Wales	To provide their volunteers with the latest and most appropriate training and equipment to enable them to function in a constructive, dynamic and professional fashion within the Island.	<b>(NIL)</b>
		<i>(The application is not relevant to the Social Services' current strategic objectives)</i>

Since the allocation of £50,000 by the Isle of Anglesey Charitable Trust to the General Grants Committee for distribution for various organisations would be exceeded if all the recommended Sums above were awarded and given the agreement that flexibility on the grant rate could be Utilised, the rate of award was reduced.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the amounts, as listed above (£x) (adjacent to the recommended sums), being at a grant rate of 64%.

**MR. ERIC JONES  
CHAIR**

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