

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
Committee:	Democratic Services Committee
Date of meeting:	30 January 2014
Title:	Town and Community Councils Website Development Grant
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1.0 Background

- 1.1 The Welsh Government has allocated funding to County Councils to offer a grant of up to £500 each for town and community councils, including those who already have a website, to be spent on website development.
- 1.2 The purpose of this grant was to assist town and community councils to prepare for the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013, which contains provisions which would require each community council to publish information on a website.
- 1.3 I reported to this Committee on 1 October 2013 that £20,000 of funding had been allocated to assist Anglesey's town and community councils to develop websites and that the allocation was being distributed to community councils.

2.0 Current Position

- 2.1 The current position with regard to the allocation of the grant is as follows:
- 23 councils have claimed the grant
 - 6 councils have notified us either of their intention to claim the grant or that they are still considering the matter
 - 11 councils have notified us that they do not intend to claim the grant
- 2.2 The original guidance issued by the Welsh Government stated that the funding needed to be used before the end of the current financial year. It is understood that further guidance will be provided to local authorities in due course on utilising this grant.

3.0 Recommendation

The Committee is requested to note the current position.

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22 January 2014