ISLE OF ANGLESEY CHARITABLE TRUST	
Meeting:	Full Trust Meeting
Date:	23 April 2013
Title of Report:	Plaque in Recognition of Financial Support
Report by:	Secretary to the Trust
Contact Officer:	Carol Snowden (Administrative Assistant)
Purpose of Report:	To request that members of the Trust consider presenting plaques to voluntary bodies in receipt of financial support for projects to recognise the contribution of the Trust.
Recommendation:	Members of the Trust are requested to consider the contents of the report and resolve on the recommendation to adopt an arrangement for presenting plaques in recognition of the Trust's financial contribution.

## PLAQUES TO RECOGNISE CONTRIBUTION

- In accordance with the procedures and conditions adopted, the Isle of Anglesey Charitable Trust invites applications annually from voluntary bodies across the Island for a financial contribution towards their activities. The Trust's contribution usually is for financial sums not exceeding £6,000 at a time, and within the specified guidelines issues by the Trust members and the available finance within the specified fund allocated for such purposes. Listed below are examples of the type of applications approved recently:
  - Benllech Community and Ex-servicemen's Centre (£6,000)
  - Castle Players Beaumaris (£6,000)
  - Holyhead Guides (£3,588)
  - Thomas Close Play Area, Beaumaris (£3,855)
  - Bro Goronwy Football Club (£1,798)
  - Cymdeithas Cae Chwarae Rhosmeirch (£6,000)
  - Rhosybol Community Centre (£6,000)
  - Canolfan Esceifiog Gaerwen (£6,000)

- 2. It can be seen from the above list that the Trust grants often are a contribution towards repair and maintenance or visible improvements to buildings used for community purposes by voluntary bodies, as well as assistance in purchasing furniture and equipment to promote their activities. Frequently the cost of the project will be substantially greater than the monies received from the Trust and other agencies will also have contributed to the scheme. These other agencies often insist that their contribution is visibly recognised (e.g. by displaying a plaque on the wall of the community room or building or on a piece of furniture). There is nothing to recognise the contribution of the Isle of Anglesey Charitable Trust, although it may have been the main contributor, and in the view of officers not enough is being done to promote the Trust and gain publicity for its financial contribution to the various activities in receipt of its grant.
- 3. It is suggested that the Trust could present a simple plaque to note the financial contribution to the project where this can be made visible, and that arrangements should be made for either the Chair or the local member of the Trust to be involved in the presentation with the necessary publicity. It is estimated that the cost of such plaques would be approximately £35 each and that the likely maximum total cost in one financial year would be £420. In these less frequent occasions where the Trust has contributed to a major project of significance (i.e. an activity or project which has received in excess of £50,000 contribution) a more substantial plaque could be produced to be agreed by the Chair, Vice-Chair and officers.

## 4. **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Trust members approve:

- i) The principle of providing plaques to recognise the financial contribution of the Trust to a local project;
- ii) That the Trust sets aside a sum up to £500 annually for such purpose from its grants fund to local bodies;
- iii) That arrangements are made by officers for the Chair or local member to present the plaque to the relevant body in parallel with the transfer of grant to support the project.