

## FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

**REPORT TO:**           **CABINET**

**DATE:**               **TUESDAY, 17 MARCH 2015**

**REPORT BY:**       **CHIEF OFFICER (GOVERNANCE)**

**SUBJECT:**           **COMMUNITY CHEST GRANT FUNDING**

### **1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.01 For Cabinet to agree new procedures for payment of Grants to Third Sector Organisations from the Council's Community Chest Fund.

### **2.00 BACKGROUND**

2.01 Currently Grants to Third Sector Organisations from the Council's Community Chest Fund are made by the Chief Executive following recommendations from the Voluntary Sector Grants Panel of 8 Members and relevant Officers. This Panel is referred to in the Constitution as one of those bodies that undertakes or advises upon executive functions.

2.02 The members of the Voluntary Sector Grants Panel have agreed that in future its role would be transferred to the Flintshire Local Voluntary Council (FLVC) who with one Councillor and one Officer would make recommendations on Grants to the Chief Executive.

### **3.00 CONSIDERATIONS**

3.01 The Leader's Scheme of Delegation of Executive Functions contained in the Constitution needs to be updated to reflect transferring the work of the Voluntary Sector Grants Panel to the FLVC supported by one Member and one Officer. There is also a need for the Leader or Cabinet to appoint the Flintshire Member to form part of the new arrangements.

### **4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS**

4.01 For Cabinet to approve that applications for funding by Third Sector Organisations from the Council's Community Chest Fund be processed by FLVC.

4.02 That recommendations for funding be made to the Chief Executive by a Panel comprising two representatives of FLVC together with a Member and an Officer of the Council.

4.03 That Cabinet or the Leader determine the Council Member to serve on the new Panel.

**5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.01 The FLVC will administer the arrangements for the Panel for a 10% fee of the grants awarded.

**6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT**

6.01 None as a result of this report

**7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

7.01 None as a result of this report

**8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT**

8.01 None as a result of this report

**9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

9.01 There will be a saving in Officer time in processing Grant applications

**10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED**

10.01 With the existing Voluntary Sector Grants Panel

**11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN**

11.01 With the existing Voluntary Sector Grants Panel

**12.00 APPENDICES**

12.01 None

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985  
BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Minute of Panel Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> September 2014

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