

**CYFARFOD PENDERFYNIADAU AELOD Y CABINET DROS
WASANAETHAU TRAFNIDIAETH, GWASTRAFF A
SEILWAITH**

30 TACHWEDD 2022

Yr Aelod Cabinet: Y Cyng. Edward Thomas	Portffolio: Gwasanaethau Trafnidiaeth, Gwastraff A Seilwaith
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SHOPMOBILITY CAERFYRDDIN

Pwrpas:

Cymeradwyo cymorth ar gyfer Shopmobility Caerfyrddin ar gyfer y cyfnod rhwng Medi 2022 a Medi 2023.

Yr argymhellion / penderfyniadau allweddol sydd eu hangen:

Argymhellir parhau i gefnogi Shopmobility yng Nghaerfyrddin ar gyfer y cyfnod rhwng Medi 2022 a Medi 2023 gyda grant o £15,236.

Y Rhesymau:

Mae Shopmobility yn un o nifer o fentrau sy'n cael eu hannog gan yr Awdurdod i gefnogi'r dref ac mae'n elfen bwysig o sicrhau bod mynediad i siopau, busnesau a gwasanaethau o fewn Caerfyrddin yn gynhwysol ac yn darparu ar gyfer y rhai sydd ag anabledau symud.

Mae Shopmobility yn elusen gofrestredig yng Nghanol Tref Caerfyrddin sy'n darparu cyfleusterau fel cadeiriau olwyn a sgwteri symudedd i ymwelwyr eu defnyddio yn y dref.

Mae'r grant yn cael ei ariannu gan elfen Trafnidiaeth Gymunedol y Cyngor Sir o'r Grant Cymorth Gwasanaethau Bysiau a ddarperir gan Lywodraeth Cymru.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
CABINET MEMBER DECISION MEETING FOR
TRANSPORT, WASTE AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES
30TH NOVEMBER 2022

CARMARTHEN SHOPMOBILITY

The County Council has supported the Carmarthen Shopmobility scheme since 2011. The current funding is an annual arrangement renewed each September.

The Carmarthen scheme provides a valuable service for those with mobility impairments and has been successful with a pre-covid usage of around 1,289 customers per annum. The covid pandemic had a significant impact on customer numbers and additional financial support was provided in 2021/2022. The Trustees and volunteers have worked hard to sustain the operation through Covid and new Trustees have also been recruited to support the continuing provision of the service.

The scheme is mainly reliant on the County Council's financial support and an annual grant is normally provided which is funded from the County Council's Community Transport element of the Bus Services Support Grant.

In recognition of increased operational pressures it is proposed that the grant is increased by 4% for the period making the annual grant payable in 2022/23 a total of £15,236.

Shopmobility supports the County Council's updated *Corporate Strategy 2018-2023* which includes specific recognition of the importance of inclusive mobility in:

- Providing integrated and affordable access for businesses, for residents and visitors can stimulate economic development, reductions in deprivation and social exclusion and an increase in well-being.
- Sustaining access to services will deliver improvements in health and well-being for all sections of the community e.g. that includes walking, cycling, passenger and road transport.

In light of the current dynamic geopolitical and economic environment it may be necessary to provide additional support to Shopmobility to sustain operations during the period. This will be subject to liaison with the Trustees and a further Cabinet paper if required.

Should there be any operating surplus in the Shopmobility account at the end of their financial year it would be relatively modest and reinvested in supporting the improvement of the service.

Recommendation: It is recommended that Shopmobility in Carmarthen continues to be supported for the period September 2022 to September 2023 with a grant of £15,236.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

NO

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: S G Pilliner

Head of Transportation and Highways

Policy and Crime & Disorder	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Organisational Development	Physical Assets
YES	NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Providing more facilities for the mobility impaired is an important element supporting the Authority's updated Corporate Strategy 2018-23.

2. Finance

All associated costs will be funded from the community transport element of the Bus Services Support Grant.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: S.G.Pilliner

Head of Transportation and Highways

1. Scrutiny Committee – N/A

2. Local Member(s) - N/A

3. Community / Town Council – N/A

4. Relevant Partners - N/A

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations - N/A

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Corporate Strategy 2018-23 (Updated April 2021)		https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council-democracy/strategies-and-plans/corporate-strategy-2018-2023-updated-april-2021/