

Regeneration & Leisure Executive Board Report**Welsh Church Fund 2017 - 2018****Report Author: Caroline Owen****CAOwen@carmarthenshire.gov.uk****Tel: 01269 590216****Balance Available: tbc****Report Value: £15,394.24****1 of 6****Application Reference – WCF-17- 12**

Project Title	Repair of the Lychgate
Applicant	St Michaels Church - Cilycwm
Project Description	<p>St Michael's Church a grade 1 listed building, is located in the centre of the village of Cilycwm on the east side of the road and adjacent to the Public House.</p> <p>The church is a well utilised facility by members, congregation, general public and many tourists who come to view this magnificent church, which has many historical features, such as memorials and medieval wall paintings, also the grounds contain five yew trees, one of which is reputed to be 1500 years old.</p> <p>The two walls either side of the Lych-gate are constructed of stone blocks with dressed stone facings on the east and west sides. There are two steeply pitched gables constructed in stone with large copings stones, one of which has become detached from the wall and has fallen onto the ground. The roof is constructed with diminishing stone slates supported on timber rafters. The soffit of the roof is pitched and finished in diagonal timber boarding.</p> <p>The Lych-gate is in very poor condition with frost damage to the stone slates and walls, the work involves the complete restoration of the existing Lych-gate together with the stone dwarf wall and metal railings on the approach from the road, also the stone flag pathway under the Lych-gate itself.</p> <p>Preparing the Lych-gate is part of a wider project aimed at increasing visitor numbers. The church has burial registers dating back to the 16th century, with a current interest in tracing Ancestry, also guided tours are planned, which is being emphasised by creating a new church website. This will benefit the local community by increasing tourism requiring holiday lets, also sustaining the local village pub, store and tea room.</p>
Total Project Cost	£28,600.00
Eligible Capital	£28,600.00 Repairs to Lychgate walls & roof

Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Arwel Davies • David Smith – Towy Architects
Ownership/ Lease	Church of Wales Parish Church
Funding Package	£28,600.00
Value of Community Investment	£28,600.00
Amount of grant requested	£3,000.00 @ 10.48%
Value of Levered Funds	£25,600.00 Own funds External funding sources to be applied
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering • Number of individuals into employment • Number of community groups assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • Public and private leverage funding - £25,600.00
Officer Comments	This project is fully supported by the community, councillors and fits the criteria of the funding. No previous CCC funding has been received for this organisation in the last 3 years.
Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
Subject to	

Project Title	Internal/External Refurbishment
Applicant	St Edmunds Church Hall
Project Description	<p>This project for the church hall development is designed to restore the existing hall to its former glory, to upgrade and modernise the facilities, so that the users and future occupants have a safe and comfortable environment, which is fit for purpose to all and will also attract new users to hire the facility.</p> <p>The chapel is utilised on a regular basis with two services every Sunday, Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals, Sunday School, Harvest Services, St David's Day concerts, prayer meetings, Christmas parties, children's parties, outreach services, Ysgol Meithrin, brownies, guides, etc.</p> <p>The refurbishment work will include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace the windows and doors (including fire doors) • Review / replace lighting to new energy efficient levels • Renew toilets and baby changing facilities • Replace Kitchen units and associated plumbing & electrical • Total re-decoration of all interiors • Make safe and re-surface the front parking area <p>Following the upgrade and transformation the village hall will play a key role for access to services, there will be a timetable of diverse activities with the set aim of increasing footfall and income thus increasing turnover.</p> <p>The Parochial Church Council have the vision to deliver this project for the community with the aim of it becoming sustainable in the longer term.</p>
Total Project Cost	£ 25,540.00
Eligible Capital	<p>£25,540.00</p> <p>£11,100.00 - Windows</p> <p>£4,230.00 - Painting & Decorating</p> <p>£2,350.00 - Electrical Works</p> <p>£3,360.00 - Plumbing</p> <p>£4,500.00 - External tarmac</p>
Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Tina Higgins • Sharon Lyle – Community Councillor • Fire & Rescue Service Mid & West Wales • Alan Davies – PCSO Ammanford Police Station

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ammanford Town Council
Ownership/ Lease	Church of Wales
Funding Package	£ 25,540.00
Value of Community Investment	£25,540.00
Amount of grant requested	3,000.00 @ 12%
Value of Levered Funds	£22,500.00 £15,000 – Mynydd y Betws - secured £5,000 - Awards for All - applied £ 2,500 - Millennium Trust - applied
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - 4 • Number of individuals into employment • No of community groups/organisations assisted - 20 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • Public and private leverage funding - £22,500.00
Officer Comments	<p>The committee continues to go from strength to strength and are continuously striving to attract new groups and improve on the facilities provided within the hall.</p> <p>The Hall is an important focal point in the community and grants opportunity for a cross section of community members to meet together.</p> <p>No previous CCC funding has been received for this project.</p>
Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
Subject to	

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Application Reference – WCF-17-14

Project Title	Internal Refurbishment
Applicant	St Mary Magdalene's Church
Project Description	St Clears is sited between the bustling regional centre of Carmarthen and the beautiful seaside resorts of Pembrokeshire, St Clears offers good facilities for residents as well as warm hospitality

	<p>to its many visitors. The Town has excellent transport links, vibrant businesses and a wide variety of community activity underpinned with a strong sense of community spirit.</p> <p>The church is a Grade 11 listed building, and is considered to have the best surviving Norman carved work in Carmarthenshire. It is constructed of limestone rubble and consists of three bayed chancel, four bayed nave, west tower with three stories and vestry. The limestone chancel arch is Romanesque in style and dates to the twelfth century. (A full schedule of works is attached with breakdown of costs)</p> <p>The project is for essential tower roof repairs, due to the existing parapet gutter being defective and allows water ingress, which is due to its defective installation and lack of conformity with Lead sheet Association guidelines. The existing lead gutter and flashing are to be removed together with parts of the timber gutter formation. A new gutter formation is to be provided to allow the installation of cess box outlets</p> <p>As a church they encourage the community to utilise the building, events held include coffee mornings, with the aim of opening the doors to draw new members, St David's day concert, Christmas Nativity play, Carol services, and additional services.</p> <p>The grant will accelerate the implementation of the project. The refurbishment project will ensure that the chapel is fit for purpose and therefore lead to its long term sustainability.</p>
Total Project Cost	£21,349.00
Eligible Capital	£21,349.00
Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Philip Hughes • St David's Diocesan Advisory Committee • Jonathan Green - Cadw's Inspector of Historic Building's
Ownership/ Lease	Church of Wales
Funding Package	£21,349.00
Value of Community Investment	£21,349.00
Amount of grant requested	£3,000.00 @ 14.05%
Value of Levered Funds	£18,349.00 £5,000 – Own fund secured

	<p>£5,000 – Awards for All applied</p> <p>£4,000 – James Pantyfedwen applied</p> <p>£4,000 – Church Care to be applied</p> <p>Allchurches Trust to be applied</p>
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering • Number of individuals into employment • Number of community groups assisted -1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • Public and private leverage funding - £18,349.00
Officer Comments	<p>This project funding request is for repairs to the facility, which meet the criteria of the fund.</p> <p>No previous CCC funding has been received for this project.</p>
Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
Subject to	

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Application Reference – WCF-17-17

Project Title	Kitchen Refurbishment
Applicant	Furnace United Rugby Football Club
Project Description	<p>Furnace United RFC is part of the WRU, the club was formed in 1883, about to recall 135 Year of Birthday. The current clubhouse was established in the 50s with extensions added in subsequent years.</p> <p>As part of the clubhouse business plan and mentoring programme with Natwest Bank. Looking at long term sustainability they have recognised the need to upgrade & refurbish the kitchen facilities. That will help with Community development within the area of Furnace. Being located right within the Community it will open access to more groups and members that will potentially increase job growth. The current kitchen facilities are holding back the development plans and falling short in provision to those groups and members already using the club facilities. Recent environmental inspections have raised standards which we need to embrace also.</p> <p>The club members strongly believe it would be a greater use for the community where they have received a high amount of requests to</p>

	<p>hold family events.</p> <p>The club also have established teams from Mini's, Juniors, Youth and Seniors Rugby Teams that support and use the facilities. As well as over the recent years have opened their doors to a variety of community groups.</p> <p>(to name a few)</p> <p>WI Group Business Group Line Dancing Fitness Classes Sewing Club</p> <p>They have recently accepted a request from a disabled group to use the function room for monthly meetings as they have ramps and a disabled toilet which they funded several years ago for our regular members.</p> <p>As mentioned above the club already provides a venue for a variety of users. The provision of a new kitchen facilities will enable them to meet the local interest shown in the provision. The complete redevelopment will allow extended provision to a cross section of the community which will increase intergenerational links and boost community to have a new and improve hiring venue.</p>
Total Project Cost	£14,942.41
Eligible Capital	£14,942.41 £610.00 - Electrics £835.00 - Flooring £11533.44 - Catering Equipment £640.00 - Building Works £824.00 - Plumbing £500.00 - Splashbacks
Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Bill Thomas • John Howells - WRU • Environment Officer • Town Council
Ownership/ Lease	Ownership
Funding Package	£14,942.41
Value of Community	£14,942.41

Investment	
Amount of grant requested	£1,494.24 @ 10%
Value of Levered Funds	£13,448.17 £ 5,000 - Secured WRU £ 2,500 – Applied Millennium Stadium Trust £ 5,000 – Awards for All applied £948.17 – Own funds
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering • Number of individuals into employment • Number of community groups assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded - 4 • Public and private leverage funding - £13,448.17
Officer Comments	<p>The kitchen refurbishment is an essential requirement, enabling the clubhouse to be fit for purpose for the community.</p> <p>The improvements will endeavour to increase community usage of the facility.</p> <p>No previous CCC funding has been received for this project.</p>
Officer Recommendation	Award - £1,494.24
Subject to	

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Application Reference – WCF-17-18

Project Title	North West Gable Remedial Works
Applicant	St Llawddog Church Penboyr
Project Description	<p>PENBOYR is a parish, in the union of NEWCASTLE-EMLYN, containing 1375 inhabitants. The church, dedicated to St. Llawddog, a very ancient building was in a dilapidated state but taken down and rebuilt from the ground, in 1809.</p> <p>This project is to undertake remedial works to the West Gable and Belfrey, to address water ingress, an element of a five year refurbishment plan for the church, to ensure long term sustainability</p>

	<p>of this facility.</p> <p>The church plays a significant and active role in both the spiritual and secular life of the community in the parish of Penboy and the villages in the surrounding areas, financial support with the refurbishment work on the church would secure their current commitment to the community.</p> <p>The church serves a predominantly rural and Welsh speaking area with 69 members contributing financially to the upkeep of the facility and in addition to the church there is a recently refurbished church hall, utilised by a number of community groups, such as;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday School in excess of 20 • Local Craft group • Merched y Wawr • Young farmers • Parochial Church Council meetings • Boot camp • Community Council • Concerts – Local male voice choir • Choral evenings <p>The churchyard is supposed to occupy part of the site of a Roman camp; a pot of Roman coins was found in the neighborhood, not many years ago, and part of an ancient road and other traces of Roman occupation have been found in the parish</p>
Total Project Cost	£33,500.00
Eligible Capital	£33,500.00 £29,500 – Remedial works £4,000 – Architect fees
Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Ken Howell • Parochial Church Council • Church of Wales • Catalina Architecture
Ownership/ Lease	Church of Wales Parish Church
Funding Package	£33,500.00
Value of Community Investment	£33,500.00
Amount of grant	£3,000.00 @ 8.95%

requested	
Value of Levered Funds	<p style="text-align: center;">£30,500.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£4,000 – Pantyfedwen Foundation secured £3,000 – Church in Wales secured £1,500 – All Churches Trust secured £2,500 – own funds secured External funders to be applied</p>
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering • Number of individuals into employment • Number of community groups assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • Public and private leverage funding - £30,500.00
Officer Comments	<p>This project funding request is for repairs to the facility, which meet the criteria of the fund.</p> <p>No previous CCC funding has been received for this project in the last 3 years.</p>
Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
Subject to	

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Application Reference – WCF-17-19

Project Title	Education & Play Equipment
Applicant	Parcyrhun PTA
Project Description	<p>Parcyrhun PTA want to encourage the children to participate more in exercise along with educating them in the importance of healthy wellbeing in order to encourage and promote lifestyle changes. New and improved play equipment is required to encourage interesting and challenging play within a bright and safe environment, in line with the health wellbeing strategy.</p> <p>They would like to purchase play and educational equipment to be incorporated within the after school club, also during the school day.</p> <p>An interactive touch whiteboard will enable and encourage the children to express themselves in a fun way, working in smaller groups and gain confidence by using the tools themselves. This</p>

	<p>can also be used as a projector for the children to watch DVD, s, including their own recordings.</p> <p>The green screen and VR operating system with headsets will encourage the children to develop additional skills, with great emphasis on imaginative play, allowing them to take the lead.</p> <p>The Virtual Reality Set comes complete with hardware, software, with linked activities and lesson plans to inspire children with an engaging, immersive experience they will not forget, and may not otherwise experience, improving their understanding and knowledge retention.</p> <p>This project is also to purchase a piano that will be used for singing and dancing, also greatly benefiting children from the hearing impaired unit attached to the school.</p>
Total Project Cost	£15,489.51 – Gross
Eligible Capital	Nil
Eligible Revenue	£15,489.51 £595.91 - Play Equipment £5,424.00 – 2 Interactive LED Whiteboards £2,836.80 - 6 x laptops £1,135.20 – 2 x I pads £2,398.80 – 8 VR Headsets £1,198.80 - Green Screen Starter Kit with accessories £1,900.00 – Piano
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Dai Nicholas • Cllr Kevin Madge • Cllr Anthony Davies • Cllr Carl Harris • Cllr Colin Evans • Cllr Alun Davies • Cllr Tina Higgins • Cllr David Jenkins • Cllr Deian Harries • Cllr David Thomas • Cllr Glynog Davies
Ownership/ Lease	CCC Ownership
Funding Package	£15,489.51
Value of Community	£15,489.51

Investment Amount of grant requested Value of Levered Funds	<p style="text-align: center;">£1,900.00 @ 12.3%</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£13,589.51 £2,717.91 – Own funds secured £10,871.60 – Mynydd y Betws secured</p>
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - 3 • Number of individuals into employment • Number of community groups assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • Public and private leverage funding - £30,500.00
Officer Comments	<p>The proposed project is a reflection of the core activities undertaken, and the PTA rally round, socialise and interact, bringing people together and have a vision that this project will do the same.</p> <p>To receive this grant will allow the vision to become a reality and to finally have the ability to reach implementation would be a major step in the increased development of the school children due to the enhanced quality of the Educational activities that can be rolled out.</p> <p>Increased benefits of this project and the improvements made to the children from all backgrounds within Pantyffynnon and the healthy community relationships developed, greater social cohesion, within one of the most deprived areas as identified in the Welsh Index of Multiple deprivation.</p> <p>This project grant funding is in respect of a non-statutory service and is being applied for by the PTA and CCC permissions have been received.</p> <p>No previous CCC funding has been received for this organisation.</p>
Officer Recommendation	Award £1,900.00
Subject to	