

**Executive Board Member Decisions Meeting for the Leader
Mynydd y Betws Community Benefit Fund
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Application reference: MYB-20-03

Project Title	Building Refurbishment – COVID 19 Requirements
Applicant	Ammanford Bible Church
Ward	Ammanford
Project Description/ Community Benefit	<p>The ABC Trust is a constituted organisation based in Pantyffynnon, working in the area for the past 20 years, which is an area of social and economic disadvantage with many hard to reach groups.</p> <p>The trust has developed relationships with the wider community, by allowing individuals, groups and organisations to access and use the present building while also actively encouraging local people to join the events held by the trust, therefore the building has become one of the main focus points within the community. It is with community focus in their minds after holding many planning and discussion groups to fulfil the vision of creating a community centre.</p> <p>The current building allows them to house the current activities but does not afford the space to develop new projects which are much needed in the area. They are very keen to support the promotion of interaction between the different generations using information communication and technology work, which plays a big part in the community at this present time.</p> <p>Since the lock down they have been linking with groups and individuals on line via zoom and much of the discussions have been about how to make the building suitable for when they return, the consensus of opinion is that the more space that is created by removing the wall, will benefit the community as a whole.</p> <p>This project is about adapting the building to be more user friendly with regards to the present pandemic, and they are fully aware it's going to be a long term issue and at present it doesn't allow them to use the building.</p> <p>The building in the present state doesn't afford them the space to meet with the required social distancing, therefore by removing walls and re-adjusting the space and creating a podcast, recording</p>

	<p>studio, it will give better individual space for people to meet and they are planning to reuse as much of the present site materials as possible to both keep costs down with less environment impact.</p> <p>The project will create a better and safe environment for people to meet each other, giving space for people to meet safely after the isolation of the present lockdown, as they are aware of many suffering with anxiety, so by meeting in a friendly safe setting, this will help to rebuild their confidence and improve health and wellbeing.</p> <p>The community as a whole will benefit from the renovation of the building, creating a larger much needed social area, even though the project was planned prior to the present pandemic, however, once the project is complete the building will be far more beneficial, allowing them to run sessions giving better self - distancing space.</p> <p>They will also be running workshops to upskill people on social and virtual media, due to individuals lacking confidence, supporting people physically following this pandemic, so the social inter action via internet maybe more important for their integration back into their physical community.</p> <p>Social distancing will be with us for a very long time, prior to lockdown the facility was well utilised by individuals and families from a deprived ward area, the refurbishment will allow the space for this to continue.</p> <p>They have secured some funds from the lottery and are awaiting to hear from the Williams Brown Hill trust, who will be meeting on 7th Oct 2020.</p>
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital</p> <p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p>£20,040.00 - Gross</p> <p>£20,040.00 Total renovation costs</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>£5,040.00 @ 25.1%</p> <p>£15,000.00 £3,500.00 – Lottery Awards for All – secured £8,500.00 – Williams Brown Hill – applied £3,000.00 – Welsh Church fund – applied</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>Before the pandemic engagement sessions were held with user group and members to discuss suitability of the premises, which confirmed the alterations to be made.</p>

	<p>Since the lock down, linking with groups on- line via zoom, discussions have been about how to make the building more suitable for return.</p> <p>The consensus of these is to create more space, allowing for social distancing.</p>
Contributing to the themes of the Fund	<p>Recreation/Education/Health</p> <p>The refurbishment work will create a much larger space, allowing more people to come together, allowing to run more information sessions as well as up skilling individuals in a social setting.</p> <p>Creating a safe environment to meet safely following isolation, helping with anxiety, rebuilding confidence and improve on health & wellbeing.</p>
Ownership/ Lease	Ownership
<p>Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities</p> <p>Environmental Sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteering Policy • Child Protection Policy • Welsh Language Policy • Environmental Policy • Data Protection Policy • Equal Opportunities Policy <p>Adopt and aim to apply the principles of “Sustainable Development” that meets the needs of the present without compromising the abilities of future generations to meet their own needs.</p> <p>Seek to improve environmental performance continuously and aim to minimise the use of all materials, supplies and energy.</p> <p>Strive to adopt the highest environmental standards in all aspects of their operation.</p>
Roles and responsibilities within organisation	<p>The trustees have the overall responsibility for this project and will appoint a volunteer to take care of the health & safety with regards to the building and those who use the facility, adhering to all the trust’s policies and WG guidance.</p> <p>Volunteers will be responsible for the opening and closing of the building, also cleaning and maintenance.</p>
Mapping of service/ facility within the area	The ABC Trust is a constituted organisation based in Pantyffynnon, working in the area for the past 20 years, which is an area of social and economic disadvantage with many hard to reach groups and services provided do not duplicate within the area.
Future Sustainability	<p>The trust will be responsible for the running of the centre, taking care of the regular maintenance and structural care of the building.</p> <p>The trust own the building and has no liabilities against it and generate a healthy revenue through the hiring of the facility to outside agencies, providing a valuable service to the community as</p>

	well as helping to generate an income to off set the utilities and running costs.
Outputs to be achieved Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs	New volunteers – 30 New services – 1 Physical improvements – 1 Environmental improvement scheme – 1 As a trust they always monitor and evaluate all their projects, which is done through open discussion, occasional questionnaires, and evaluation forms. They hold records to measure the outputs of projects which include soft outcomes as well as long term benefits.
Business Plan/Officer Comments	The project will create a better and safe environment for people to meet each other, giving space for people to meet safely after the isolation of the present lockdown. No previous funding has been awarded from this fund and most of the project costs have been secured from external funds, requesting a small percentage to deliver the project.
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - 30 • Number of individuals into employment • No of community groups/organisations 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 - £15,000.00
Recommendation	Award - £5,040.00 Subject to securing match funding from the Williams Brown Hill Trust

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Application reference: MYB-20-04

Project Title	COVID Return & Girls Centre
Applicant	Ammanford AFC
Ward	Ammanford
Project Description/Community Benefit	Ammanford AFC has received the return to play guidance by the Welsh Government. A COVID requirement is that all those involved within a practice need their temperature taken, therefore they will need digital infrared thermometers for each team, and matchday use.

	<p>Further, due to social distance guidelines, their dugouts do not meet the parameters required by the Football Association of Wales. Therefore, these will need to be extended to allow coaching and medical personnel which are a league, and health and safety requirement to attend matches.</p> <p>Ammanford AFC also want to launch the 'Huddle' programme run by the Welsh Football Trust, which aims to introduce girls aged between five and 12 to football in a fun, relaxed, sociable, and friendly way to ensure they have a positive first experience of football.</p> <p>Huddle is delivered by clubs and partners across Wales who want to grow the number of girls playing football in their local area, expect to make new friends, learn some football skills through fun games and build their confidence throughout the sessions.</p> <p>The club is an integral part of the community, providing a hub for individuals to become part of a team, where they can socialise with people and enjoy a healthy lifestyle. Ammanford AFC prides itself on being a club for the community, creating a mental health charity in honour of a former player, setting up the 'Jac Lewis Foundation' in September 2019.</p> <p>The club has worked tirelessly to build an on-site well-being centre at the Recreation Ground, which will be a community hub, providing opportunities for professional counselling sessions at the centre. As funds needed to 'return to football' are being exasperated on the well-being centre, these funds will bring some much-needed financial support to allow football to return to Ammanford in a safe and controlled manner.</p>
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital</p> <p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p>£990.90- Gross</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>£990.00 £999.90 – 20 Infrared thermometers</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>£891.81 @ 90%</p> <p>£99.09 Own funds secured</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>Football Association of Wales – Ensuring we meet Tier 2 Criteria in line with Welsh Government Guidelines.</p> <p>Welsh Football Trust – Enhancing the profile of girls and ladies' football in the Amman Valley.</p>

<p>Contributing to the themes of the Fund</p>	<p>Recreation - Ammanford AFC provide football experiences for over 350 children and adults daily. Our Junior section is one of only 11 Football Association of Wales Platinum Accredited clubs across the whole of Wales, providing opportunities for football to be played from the age of 6 to 16, for both boys and girls. Our top senior side currently play in Tier 2 of the Welsh football pyramid, with three other male sides for youth and seniors playing in the Carmarthenshire Football League.</p> <p>They also have a Pan-Disability, over 40 Veterans, and Ladies team who all play competitive football in their respective leagues. Our matches have generated crowds more than 500 supporters, with over 1,200 attending a Welsh Cup game in January 2020, competing live on S4C.</p> <p>As the club continues to grow, we look forward to new and exciting projects we can manage and provide for the community, as we increase opportunities for the people of Ammanford to engage in recreational activities.</p> <p>Health - Ensuring Ammanford AFC meet strict COVID guidelines is the only way the club will be allowed to return to playing football, meaning the club will be able to cater for its 350+ playing members.</p>
<p>Ownership/ Lease</p>	<p>Lease Agreement</p>
<p>Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities</p> <p>Environmental Sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal Opportunities Policy • Welsh Language Policy • Environmental Policy • Health & Safety Policy • Digital Inclusion Policy • Equality Policy <p>A key aspect of being successful in this aspect is through the quality control of the materials used. The club is aware of the possibility its material usage could have on the environment the ground is located in. Thus, the club is conscious to purchase materials which will be sustainable and are as recyclable as possible. Furthermore, the club will be in contact with the contractor to ensure that the new facility is sustainable environmentally and has no impact on the wildlife and greenery in the Recreational Ground.</p>
<p>Roles and responsibilities within organisation</p>	<p>Ground Manager – Stephen Davies who has managed our previous projects with CCC/FAW/ESB grants will ensure this project is also successful and manage the day to day running of the projects.</p> <p>Director of Football – Our UEFA A Licence coach Robert Thomas will ensure the Huddle programme is delivered within the club.</p>
<p>Mapping of service/ facility within the area</p>	<p>Over 250 children and over 60 youngster/young players are fully engaged in playing and enjoying football in the area and would furthermore benefits from the improved facility in what is a very deprived area of South, West Wales.</p>

Future Sustainability	As the projects require no revenue costs and are assets, there will be no requirement for any future maintenance. Having previously been awarded many grants, Ammanford AFC have proven our ability to delivery on high cost, large scale projects.
Outputs to be achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New volunteers – 4 • New services available – 2 • New community assets – 2
Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs	We will be able to measure the number of individuals who are able to return to football. We will also be able to measure the club's number of members – especially female participants who will hopefully increase with the Huddle project.
Business Plan/Officer Comments	<p>£3,292.00 received from Sport Wales to re-open safely.</p> <p>Huddle project can be supported from Sport Wales Community Chest programme.</p> <p>Dug out's – query community benefits</p>
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 - 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 - £99.09
Recommendation	Award - £891.81

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Application reference: MYB-20-05

Project Title	COVID 19 – Recover Plan
Applicant	Black Mountain Centre
Ward	Cwarter Bach
Project Description/Community Benefit	<p>The impact from COVID 19 demanded an in-depth review of our business model.</p> <p>Whilst the Centre has moved forward in a very positive way over the last 10 years there was an urgent need to develop a strategy for achieving self-sustainability in a revenue sense post COVID. A plan is needed to achieve self-sustainability and not rely on funding. (COVID Recovery Plan Attached)</p> <p>Our Project is to relocate the administrative office in order to free up space and to further develop our trading subsidiary (Siop y Mynydd Du) More retail space will in turn allow us to generate more income which in turn support the viability of the Post Office for the future.</p>

	<p>We have undertaken customer surveys to establish what the community wants from the shop. The survey identifies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fresh produce - Greater choice & availability of frozen foods <p>The bid application identifies the frozen & chilling units to allow the shop to provide this service.</p> <p>In addition, a survey in 2019 identified the requirement to retain the Centre air source heating system in good condition. These are.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Auto pressurising unit for the main water circuits - New storage tank (and associated pipework) for solar hot water. <p>As well as playing a key role in community life in Brynaman, The Black Mountain Centre offers a wealth of facilities for visitors and business customers throughout the year, from Tourist Information to home-cooked food, free Internet access, interesting Heritage displays, Gallery and Conference rooms; the Centre has everything to offer you from the heart of Carmarthenshire. All these income generating facilities assist the Centre to achieve sustainability and any profit made is gift aided back into community activities.</p> <p>The project is aimed at retaining revenue streams to support the activities at the Centre.</p>
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital</p> <p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">£13,450.00 – Net</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£13,450.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£1,100.00 – Auto pressurising unit & fitting £1,100.00 – Pipework & storage tank for solar hot water £3,450.00 – 2 Commercial freezers £1,300.00 – Display fridge £6,500.00 – internal reconfiguration</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nil</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nil</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£10,760.00 @ 80%</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£2,690.00 Own funds secured</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>What is evident through their budgeting of the most likely reopening scenario is that going forward, the activities of the centre are not going to return to anything like before COVID 19.</p> <p>Shop income has increased (which has been a bonus) its 30% up which points towards a future role.</p>

	<p>A budget for the year has had to be re- configured with these pressures built in together with a view on how the centre must change direction in its provision of services to be sustainable in a 'changed world'</p> <p>Logically therefore, a need to accept reduced activities at the cafeteria and lettings and an increase in activity at the shop and post office for the foreseeable future and must be an opportunity. Retaining /increasing local shopping and a delivery service as an opportunity and requires investment to expand the shopping area, provided from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customer surveys. • Word of mouth. • Business Planning.
Contributing to the themes of the Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreation • Education • Health • Environment • Culture <p>The Centre is a hub for the local community providing a vast range of activities that fall into all the above themes.</p>
Ownership/ Lease	Ownership
Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welsh Language Policy • Digital Inclusion Policy • Equal Opportunities Policy • Environmental Policy • Health & Safety Policy • Lettings Policy
Environmental Sustainability	<p>The Centre consider environmental sustainability to be very important and work hard to conserve energy, resources and recycle fully, they have an environmental policy and have solar panels which sustain all their electrical needs.</p>
Roles and responsibilities within organisation	<p>Project manager – Chairman (John Rees) with inputs from. Scott Davies (Manager) Lynda Bryce (Finance) Shop / Post Office employees for customer input.</p>
Mapping of service/ facility within the area	<p>The Centre is a hub for the local community providing essential services within the Ward.</p>
Future Sustainability	<p>The Black Mountain Centre has a robust management structure and governance arrangements supported by written articles of association and memorandum of association that make up the constitution of the organisation.</p> <p>The management team at the Centre will be responsible for the future maintenance and sustainability of the project and through increased footfall and improved access, they expect the income</p>

	generation arm to increase which in turn will allow them to improve current services, introduce new facilities and continue to be a sustainable social enterprise.
Outputs to be achieved	Jobs safeguarded – 9 Physical Improvements – 2 Environmental Improvement schemes – 3
Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs	Increased turnover Customer surveys Electricity consumption, direct indicator of heat demand from air source.
Business Plan/Officer Comments	Key to a sustainable post COVID 19 future is an expansion of the shop and post office trading area and the relocation of staff office space will allow this to materialise but does require additional adaptation of an existing storage area within the Centre. Using this period and the impact of COVID 19 must be the catalyst for change in their business model which supports so many other worthwhile activities that the BMC facilitates for the village of Brynamman and its surrounding area.
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering • Number of individuals into employment • No of community groups/organisations assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full-time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded - 9 • Public and private leverage funding - £2,690.00
Recommendation	Award- £10,760.00

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Application reference: MYB-20-06

Project Title	Amman Valley participatory budget 2020
Applicant	Dyfed Powys Police
Ward	Amman Valley
Project Description/Community Benefit	This project is a new partnership initiative, working with Carmarthenshire County Council, Community and Town Council, supported by the County Cllr's of the eligible wards. Participatory budget offering community groups the chance to apply for funds through a process called Participatory Budgeting

and funding for this process has been supplied by:

- The Dyfed Powys Office of Police and Crime Commissioner
- Cwmamman and Quarter Bach town council.

Participatory Budgeting (PB) is a democratic way of empowering communities by allowing them to bid for money to fund projects that meet the theme of the planning group, in this case improving community safety.

Any community group or organisation can bid for a share of the grant to improve community safety and promote a healthier safer community, within eligible wards of the Mynydd y Betws Funding.

Following the outbreak and lockdown of COVID, it is essential to reach and support the needs of the community.

The PB and panel members will decide who is awarded the money, and the process is as follows:

- Groups/organisations apply for funding up to a maximum amount of money of to be decided by the steering group for their cause/project.
- This application form is checked to ensure that it meets the full criteria.
- The group/organisation will be contacted and be invited to attend the Participatory Budgeting Community Event, the first one will be held in November 2020.
- At the event, the community and other groups will be in attendance and they will vote on the projects being presented to them.
- Each group/organisation will be required to give a **3**-minute presentation/pitch to the community.
- Votes are collated, and the winning projects will be announced on the day.

The whole concept of PB is to empower the community to take responsibility for their community welfare and pride.

The steering group is set up with key individuals from the community area, they have been chosen for their passion for improving quality of life. They will set up the themes and application process and then the bidders will present their case to the local community in the area. They will then vote for where they will like the money to be spent creating the empowerment for the community members.

- There is a maximum bid limit. Multiple bids from a single organisation will be accepted. However, there can only be a maximum number of three bids, and they **cannot** exceed the £4,000 limit in total.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified by letter. • Those bidding can be from either constituted or un-constituted groups, meaning that a voluntary group, community group, charity, PTAs, sports clubs, and any group that will benefit the community area. • Those bidding can be from the public and private sector, provided, in the case of the public sector, that the bid was for a programme that is outside or their core curriculum or purpose.
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital & Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">£12,500.00 - Gross</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£12,500.00 Participatory budgeting – community safety projects</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nil</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£2,500.00 @ 20%</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£10,000.00 Secured Police Commissioners fund</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The community area has been identified through consulting with several of their Key individual networks, counsellors, and leading community patrons. • They have also used data from their systems to discover that there is a lack of facilities in the area, which has a negative effect on the local welfare of the community. • A lot of this has been evidenced, by an increase in the use of the local Cwmamman food bank, during COVID-19 and the Black Mountain Community Centre, has also been delivering food to the elderly community, assisted by Local NPT PCSO's. • The community is classed as a deprived area and has suffered from a lack of regeneration, COVID 19 has had an impact on the local area as it has all over the world, some of the negative impacts have been isolation for vulnerable, namely children and the elderly. • Food banks and food delivery services have been set up to support those groups. • Some of the bids may come from organisations that will need the money to introduce safer working practices to allow them to open and support the local community, such as social distancing measures and personal protective equipment. • Risk assessments will need to be conducted as It's important to find a way to help support communities and find a new normal in the way we all live. <p>Consultation has also been undertaken with.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob Venus – Cwmamman Development Officer

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caroline Owen – CCC Bureau Officer • John Rees – Chairman – Black Mountain Centre • Cllr Glynog Davies – Chairperson Mynydd Y Betws • Cllr Dai Jenkins • Cllr Kevin Madge • Carmarthenshire County Council
<p>Contributing to the themes of the Fund</p>	<p>The funding is to be used in improving community safety, such as supporting local groups to assist in reducing and preventing crime, to support victims or to support vulnerable members of our local communities, which covers the need for recreation, education, culture, and the improvement of general health.</p> <p>Any bids MUST have a connection to improving community safety and will be supported by Carmarthenshire County Council Bureau Officer.</p> <p>Examples of successful bidders in similar schemes include.</p> <p>Boxing clubs, dance clubs, majorette and youth football clubs, a food bank project, a senior citizens computer club, a nursery group, playground improvement group, allotment societies, senior citizens dinner club, heritage and history groups, veterans’ group, etc... The list is endless!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These themes and bids will link into the criteria set out in your principles in that Projects will directly address identified issues, needs and opportunities in a community or group of communities. • Projects will demonstrate added value to the local communities through clear objectives and outcomes. • Projects need to be well thought out and have robust financial plans and delivery proposals. • Projects need to demonstrate synergy and complementary activities with other projects and initiatives. • Projects can demonstrate support from the local community and partner organisations. • Projects will balance and integrate the social, economic, and environmental components of the community. • Projects need to meet the needs of existing and future generations. • Projects will respect the needs of other communities in the wider region, contributing to the sustainability of these communities. • Projects will recognise and respond to the diversity and uniqueness of the community •
<p>Ownership/ Lease</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessing Communications Data Policy • Data Protection Policy • Health & safety Policy • Equal Opportunities Policy • Welsh Language Policy • Environmental Policy

<p>Environmental Sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 30 different policies <p>Due to the varied bids that we could receive from many projects. The steering group will have responsibility for including environmental sustainability in its voting criteria and they will be mindful that projects bidding will have this covered in their applications for money. The theme of community safety and reduction of Anti-social behaviour will reduce the carbon footprint of police responding to calls in the area.</p> <p>We all have a responsibility to adhere to the Wellbeing of future generations act, set up by the Welsh assembly in 2015. The PB set up will have this in its core vision including the seven strands of the act promoting the values of being prosperous, resilient, more equal, and healthier, connecting the community, having a thriving welsh language, and being a globally responsible Wales. Carmarthenshire county council and the Wind farm will be promoted at the event alongside the other organisations.</p>
<p>Roles and responsibilities within organisation</p>	<p>PCSO Dayton Hughes is completing a rethinking community engagement qualification and is the Citizens in Poling SPOC officer, he is responsible for pulling together the project and helped identify the area and set up the steering group to tackle the community issues for Cwmamman and Quarter Bach.</p> <p>The steering group which contains 11 members, will keep their roles in evaluating and quality assuring the use of the money for the winning bids, to see how the community is benefiting.</p>
<p>Mapping of service/ facility within the area</p>	<p>Dyfed Powys Police are investing money, their time and expertise to help the steering group, set up themes and be empowered to help the local community, within the Amman Valley, this will also promote local projects in the area that the community were not aware of. Ultimately the public who live in the area will decide via a democratic process where the money is distributed, and this project request is to ensure the community will have a greater benefit from the process.</p>
<p>Future Sustainability</p>	<p>The police commissioner is looking at continuing to fund the scheme on an annual basis. For this project he has made 10K available</p>
<p>Outputs to be achieved</p>	<p>Various outputs to be achieved.</p>
<p>Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs</p>	<p>After the PB event there will be an evaluation of the community projects that have received money, which will be carried out by Steering group and the police. A comprehensive report will then be completed and submitted, to the Police Commissioners office, to identify key learning points and obtain feedback.</p> <p>Mutual gain is a company that promotes and supports the idea of PB they have a full system in place to collect feedback and present reports for the evaluation. This is sent to the Commissioner, community and CCC so there is full transparency and evaluation of the process.</p>

Business Plan/Officer Comments	<p>Participatory budgeting is an umbrella term which covers a variety of mechanisms that delegate power or influence over local money, investment priorities and economic spending to our communities.</p> <p>PB involves the community being directly involved in making decisions about budgetary issues.</p> <p>2020 has brought a considerable amount of changes and demanding circumstances regarding resources and funding and during this current climate, communities have come together to show determination and spirit to support local and help each other.</p> <p>This is an ideal opportunity to be involved in deciding how we can collectively help the community.</p> <p>The significant training and consultation costs have been met by Dyfed-Powys Police. Funding for the event itself – i.e. the money that our communities will have access to – will come from the Police and Crime Commissioner and hopefully from our partners.</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 • No of community groups/organisations assisted • 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 - £10,000.00
Recommendation	Award - £2,500.00

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Application reference: MYB-20-07

Project Title	Equipment Development Project
Applicant	Garnant Park Members Golf Club
Ward	Garnant
Project Description/Community Benefit	<p>Garnant Park Equipment Development Project will provide machinery to prepare the course and surrounding land, which includes public rights of way, for community use. The facility provides recreational use to the local community maintained by a small team of staff and numerous volunteers. Equipment is an expensive capital item which needs replacement to enable the facility to remain open to the community.</p>

	<p>Circa 180 annual fee payers including seniors, ladies, juniors, and all ages in-between who enjoy over 1000 rounds per annum. Our practice area is free for public use and attracts over 500 uses per year. We regularly host community events in the clubhouse such as charity fundraisers, school parties and social groups, as well as being a hub for birthdays, family celebrations and wakes. Working with our governing body Golf Union of Wales we hope to attract even more juniors and ladies through our golf Taster Days.</p> <p>The project will ensure the golf facility is maintained and improved. By achieving this goal, we can build on the existing user base for golf, clubhouse community events and appreciation of our beautiful views. Lockdown has seen a significant increase in walkers using the footpaths through the site who will also benefit from better maintenance. The facility provides local employment for 2 full time and several part time staff as well as engage our volunteer members who take a great sense of pride in the condition of our course, clubhouse, and surrounding area. We hope the additional visitors (both organised and individuals) engage with our club to use our refreshments and seating facilities (when available again). The facility is available for community groups to hold tier own functions.</p>
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital</p> <p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p>£39,500.00 - Net</p> <p>£12,500.00 Utility Vehicle</p> <p>£12,000.00 £6,000.00 – Infill & seeding problem areas £6,000.00 – Excavate & drain identified wet areas</p> <p>£15,000.00 Irrigation of tees</p> <p>£15,000.00 @ 61.2 %</p> <p>£9,500.00 £4,500.00 – Members contribution secured £5,000.00 – Resilience & sustainability fund - secured</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>The facility has continued to thrive despite a failed attempt by the private sector to run the club and their success is down to a dedicated volunteer group who have proved that having ‘ownership’ of a project generates the community spirit required to sustain in difficult financial times, as well as staff who take a pride their work.</p> <p>The green shoots of recovery after the club’s tenure in the private sector has now blossomed to become an integral part of the Amman Valley’s landscape.</p>

	Maintaining and improving the facilities will sustain this facility for future generations, so having the right equipment to enable this is crucial.
Contributing to the themes of the Fund	<p>Recreation/Health The project will enable the facility to continue providing a valuable community service for recreation, leisure, and general well-being within the Cwmamman area.</p> <p>They continue to operate as a Community Amateur Sports Club to sustain opportunities for the members and the public and local county and community councillors are supportive of the work, they are undertaking to ensure a legacy of sporting facilities in the area.</p>
Ownership/ Lease	Lease Agreement with Carmarthenshire County Council
Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities Environmental Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal Opportunities Policy • Welsh Language Policy • Environmental Policy <p>Recently had solar panels fitted to the clubhouse roof to reduce their carbon footprint, also solar lighting surrounds the clubhouse. Recently reviewed their energy and waste audit intruding sensor triggered lights in all changing & lavatory facilities. The course maintenance promotes maintaining local habitats of wildlife and vegetation.</p>
Roles and responsibilities within organisation	<p>Management board reporting annually to the Annual General Meeting of members: -</p> <p>Mr T Falvey Chairperson (ex-Metal Box European HR director) Mr D Protheroe Clubhouse Procurement (ex-procurement manager Valeo Plc) Mr D Jones Course Supervisor (Land Engineer) All above are directors of Garnant Park Members Golf Club</p> <p>Also: - Mrs S Davies member recruitment (Retired Prince's Trust Organiser) Mr R Page Junior Organiser (Business Manager) Mr S Williams Safeguarding (Local Government Accountant) Mr G Phillips Club Captain (Engineering Team Leader)</p>
Mapping of service/ facility within the area	A very successful community hub within Garnant an integral facility within the Amman Valley, supported by the community.
Future Sustainability	<p>The board of directors with assistance of suitably qualified volunteers will manage the facility.</p> <p>Annual golf fees of £89k, pay as you play & other golf income £36k and clubhouse sales £112k will generate sufficient income to cover all golf and clubhouse costs totalling £233k. Allowing for other expenses they expect a small operating loss this year, but this excludes some of the new in year initiatives which will help them achieve a break even position.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into volunteering -20 • Number of individuals into employment • No of community groups/organisations assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full-time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded - 5 • Public and private leverage funding - £9,500.00
Recommendation	Award - £15,000.00

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Application reference: MYB-20-08

Project Title	Promote & Protect 2020
Applicant	Glynhir Golf Club
Ward	Llandybie
Project Description/ Community Benefit	<p>This project is being implemented due to the request of the community which has been ongoing for a period of three years through consultation events, involving members, the wider community and users of the facility also attributed to the success of previous lottery funding and the impact that has made on the wider community within this part of rural Carmarthenshire.</p> <p>Glynhir Golf Club is seeking to undertake an essential refurbishment of clubhouse facilities to assist in achieving the following objectives.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximise potential of a public amenity for the benefit of the local community. • Outreach Programme to extend and widen participation to all age groups both male and female. • Promote and support volunteer participation. • Establish mutually beneficial partnerships with local and sub-regional accommodation providers/operators <p>The aim of the project is to address the present and future needs of the community by providing a range of activities and events that are accessible to all and that meet their needs, the aim being to revitalize the community, enrich relationships and reduce social isolation by creating a multipurpose community facility that is accessible to all.</p> <p>it is evidenced that providing a facility that harnesses the virtues of sport and community engagement, also participation, has a direct correlation in respect of improved community cohesion and long-term sustainability.</p>

	<p>This project is to revamp the lounge area flooring with a more modern feel, fitted blind window replacement as the lack of adequate covering causes issues from direct sunlight, refurbishment of the ladies and gent's toilet facilities, some remedial work to the exterior rendering, guttering and paintwork which is unsightly.</p> <p>The facility supports CCC Manor Road day services activity programme in providing service users with a learning disability the opportunity in receiving valuable time to exercise, learn new skills and just feel part of community activity, empowering them to feel valued, respected and making a new network of friends. We have a member with autism who has one to one coaching and is buddied up with a member to play.</p> <p>The project hopes to involve young children, their parents and the many elderly people living alone who feel isolated and on the periphery of society. The feeling of physical and mental wellbeing will be enhanced in individuals and will have a positive effect on the whole community.</p> <p>The project will benefit the local community by meeting the strategic aims of the Swansea Bay City Region Economic Regeneration Strategy 2013-2030, in that we will be in a position through the project activity for business growth, retention and specialisation, also maximising job creation through strategic activity planning, processes will be put the organisation in a better position to grow, retaining and implementing innovation and knowledge in accordance with the changing competitive infrastructures.</p> <p>Additionally, meeting the four cross cutting themes which meet the projects aims and objectives.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thinking & delivering together • Quality driven leadership and action • Being and acting connected • Understanding sustainable growth <p>The project hopes to involve more young children, their parents and the many elderly people living alone who feel isolated and on the periphery of society. The feeling of physical and mental wellbeing will be enhanced in individuals and will have a positive effect to the whole community.</p> <p>They will aspire to source and use local tradespersons for the project work and all other areas benefitting our local economy in this part of rural West Wales.</p>
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital</p>	<p>£13,004.63 – Net</p> <p>£13,004.63</p> <p>£5,200.00 – New flooring</p> <p>£6,765.07 – Replacement windows</p> <p>£1,039.56 – Refurbishment of toilets</p>

<p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>£10,000.00 @ 76.9%</p> <p>£3,004.63 £1,300.00 – Welsh Church fund – applied £1,704.63 – Friends of Glynhir</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>This project is being implemented due to the request of the community which has been ongoing for a period of three years through consultation events involving members, the wider community, and users of the facility.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveys have been undertaken and open forum meetings, prior to COVID. • Received and followed up feedback from members and visitors. • constantly consult via newsletters to the general membership. • one to one interaction between elected officials & staff, compiled and collated questionnaires and received many letters of overwhelming support from the community. <p>Individual letters of support, received with this application from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer Research Wales • Adam Price - Leader of Plaid Cymru, • Jonathan Edwards MP • Cllr Anthony Davies • Cllr Dai Nicholas • Stuart Griffith – Llandybie Community Council, • Manor Road Day Centre • Tenovus • Ammanford Cricket Club • Trap WI • Llandybie RFC • Gwynfryn Chapel Society • Cylch Cinio & Probus Club • Llandybie Tennis Club • Cymraeg Rhydaman • Llandybie Twinning Association • Alzheimer’s Society Cymru • Llandeilo Hunt • Ammanford AFC Junior Section Wales Golf <p>All with the consensus of ensuring Glynhir is future proof, fit for purpose and that the existing facility is more user friendly, more appealing, modern, and contemporary to attract and retain participation for the community.</p>

<p>Contributing to the themes of the Fund</p>	<p>Recreation/Health/Environment</p> <p>The ‘Quality’ of care in the community would undoubtedly be greatly improved by this project and the redevelopment will create an attractive and visually improved multipurpose facility. This will physically, socially, and environmentally benefit the area which will impact positively on the lives of residents, a step towards area renewal. The redevelopment of the facility will improve the delivery of services of members of the community.</p> <p>The period of consultation has resulted in the need to improve the facility which are dated and have a bad layout for optimising its potential and making the clubhouse a pleasant environment for members, visitors and the community, the refurbishment is to develop a pleasant and fit for purpose community environment, allowing catering for social, educational and recreation needs, enriching relationship, reducing social isolation and promoting interaction for all.</p>
<p>Ownership/ Lease</p>	<p>Ownership</p>
<p>Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities</p> <p>Environmental Sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welsh Language Policy • Equal Opportunities Policy • Environment Policy • Health & Safety Policy <p>Glynhir Golf Club will comply with all the environmental legislation in the delivery of this project and has an Environment Policy Document in place outlining its commitment to wildlife & nature, water use, energy & carbon, waste management, chemical use, on and off the course.</p> <p>The intention for this project delivery is to source materials with high embodied carbons and look for alternatives, target sub-contractors that have a waste management policy in place, can provide references, are construction on line certified thus ensuring standards of competence are in place..</p> <p>Glynhir continues to evaluate its carbon footprint – low energy bulbs are being used, all new electrical items are A or A plus energy rated, we promote and support local suppliers and companies where possible and are invested in our impact on the environment.</p>
<p>Roles and responsibilities within organisation</p>	<p>Glynhir has a Club Manager and a designated Director of Golf. All activities are monitored by its elected (Non-Exec) members board with devolved responsibilities delegated to its Executive Manager and employees.</p> <p>In addition to the experienced Manager & Chairperson there is an executive panel for Grant Funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ffion Haf Jones – Chartered accountant • Rob Williams – Managing Director of his division of BVG Group - £140m turnover and 750 staff. • Paul Armstrong – BSC (Hons) Construction Management

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andy Poulter – BA (Hons) in Architecture & BArch (Hons) Bachelor of Architecture. <p>Future running and maintenance costs, in conjunction with projected income streams are identified and budgeted for in the annual business planning programme.</p>
Mapping of service/ facility within the area	<p>The project is to create a multipurpose community facility that is accessible to all, it is evidenced that providing a facility that harnesses the virtues of sport and community engagement, also participation, has a direct correlation in respect of improved community cohesion and long-term sustainability.</p> <p>Services do not duplicate with other organisations in the locality.</p>
Future Sustainability	<p>In the past few years significant changes have been made in order to ensure sustainability, a large part of this was the engagement of the Golf Development Wales Business Support Scheme which enabled changes to the structure of the organisation, employing personnel in key areas which has seen the organisation grow hugely through increased revenue streams, including membership, visitors and social users.</p> <p>The use of the clubhouse facility for non-member functions is free, there are extensive memberships deals for juniors, junior colts, families, hardship assistance, seniors & evergreen & flexible membership all focused on accommodating individuals making the game more affordable for everyone with emphasis on keeping fit, socializing and general well-being regardless of finance, ability or age. There have been successful 'New and Back to' golf sessions for girls & ladies which will continue, coaching sessions & programmes available and reduced green fees depending on the season & days of the week and junior golfers pay only a nominal fee. Junior and disability coaching</p> <p>They have put together a comprehensive brief which incorporates all the findings and requirements identified in their community/member consultations and now have an executive business panel in place consisting of suitably qualified, experienced and proactive people within the business, financial, construction and administrative field to assist with all aspects of the project.</p>
Outputs to be achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Volunteers – 4 • Jobs safeguarded – 7 • Physical Improvements -3 • Environmental Improvement schemes - 1
Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs	<p>Monitoring and evaluating will be undertaken on a daily, monthly, annual basis due to evidence on increased footfall, turnover and users of the facility through documented evidence supporting outputs.</p> <p>Glynhir Golf Club will continue to be managed and monitored by its elected (Non-Exec) members board with devolved responsibilities</p>

	<p>delegated to its Executive Manager and employees. Future running and maintenance costs, in conjunction with projected income streams, are identified and budgeted for in its annual business planning programme.</p> <p>Quarterly monitoring evidence will be returned to CCC Community Development Officer in line with targeted performance indicators reporting.</p>
Business Plan/Officer Comments	<p>The Club has received accolades from many charities and organisations in recognition of its role in facilitating fundraising events and have recently received a certificate of appreciation presented by Cancer Research Wales for the support they have provided over many years – attained fundraising £60,000.00.</p> <p>130 new members have signed up, since the lockdown of COVID 19, including families, women, and juniors, which shows the community need for the facility.</p> <p>On completion of this project partnership links will have been made with other community facilities, linking activities in serving the wider community such as luncheon clubs, linking local schools, providing taster activities encouraging increased participation in the game of golf.</p> <p>As an officer I was developing a large refurbishment project with the organisation, which has been put on hold, due to COVID for the foreseeable future.</p>
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 - 7 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full-time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded - 7 • Public and private leverage funding - £3,004.63
Recommendation	Award - £10,000.00

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Application reference: MYB-20-10

Project Title	Community Wellbeing Centre
Applicant	Jac Lewis Foundation
Ward	Ammanford

<p>Project Description/ Community Benefit</p>	<p>The charity 'The Jac Lewis Foundation' was set up primarily by a number of officials from Ammanford AFC, whom had tragically lost one of their young players 'Jac' to mental health, with the aim of supporting anyone who needs help within the locality in an attempt to improve people's wellbeing, and prevent others suffering the same ordeal that Jac and his parents have faced. Jac's dad Jesse is also a trustee of the organisation and is pivotal in making sure others don't suffer the same fate.</p> <p>The project is to provide a Community Wellbeing Centre at the recreation ground in Ammanford providing a home for a local mental health support charity who are providing a free of charge service to people who cannot access the support quickly enough through traditional means. It will also be utilised for community activities which proactively endorse preventative mental health measures through targeted meeting groups, coffee mornings, education centre for mental health, and a meeting centre for community sports groups supporting health and wellbeing in our locality.</p> <p>The grant will be utilised to help fund an extensive capital project to provide a facility that will house an office and mediation room that will be used to treat individuals in need of 121 care, an office base for the volunteers, and a cafe and community room which will be utilised for a vast range of purposes with the prime intention of generating a feel good factor within the community, encouraging people to meet and engage, and not be alone.</p> <p>The project will also create a vibrant and sustainable local community by providing free online wellbeing workshops, delivered by a fully qualified Master level Psychotherapists in the following themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bereavement • Stress Management • Preventing suicide • Anxiety • Depression • Mental health • First Aid • Bullying, • Anger Management • Positive Relationships. <p>The multi-generational wellbeing workshops will be available for children, adolescents and adults and will be facilitated in a rolling programme. Local schoolteachers and sports coaches will be offered the wellbeing workshops free even if they are not an Ammanford resident to build up the resilience of the local community.</p> <p>The grant will be used to pay for a sessional worker to design, develop and deliver the rolling wellbeing workshop project.</p> <p>The new centre is located within the confines of the football ground but will be accessible to all within the community and can be</p>
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	<p>accessed directly from the new footpath around the recreation ground.</p> <p>The centre will provide the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Access to psychological wellbeing workshops to increase wellbeing and resilience within the local community. ● Enable opportunities for communities and individuals to improve their own wellbeing ● Make mental health a priority in the community to reduce the mental health stigma. ● Create spaces for people to talk and be heard. ● Improve access to mental health support, information, and preventative services within the community. <p>The project has been set up to decrease the number of people experiencing mental health difficulties within the community which will decrease the pressure on Carmarthenshire County Council and NHS services within the community.</p> <p>To date there has been 52 referrals made to the centre from GP services, increased from lock down</p>
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital</p> <p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">£52,970.00 - Gross</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£52,970.00 Extensive refurbishment/infrastructure/security</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nil</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nil</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£15,000.00 @ 28.3%</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£37,970.00 £34, 970.00 - Sponsorship funds secured £3,000.00 – Welsh church fund - applied</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>The charity is experiencing an increase in referrals from the GP surgeries, social prescribers, LPMHT, Youth service and local disability employment officer. The reasons these services advise that they are referring into the charity is that there are no other services within the local community that can offer easy access to mental health support.</p> <p>As the referrals are increasing there is a need to develop the service onto online delivery especially during the COVID-19 pandemic to provide a more preventative approach to the overall counselling service.</p> <p>The local community have been instrumental in the setting up of the charity and have raised many thousands of pounds in the last 10 months to support the charity.</p>

	<p>Clearly this type of organisation needs a permanent home, and thus the requirement for the capital programme described.</p> <p>Please see the following</p> <p>http://www.JacLewisfoundation.co.uk https://www.facebook.com/JacLewisFdn/</p>
Contributing to the themes of the Fund	<p>Education/ Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to psychological wellbeing workshops to increase wellbeing and resilience within the local community. • Enable opportunities for communities and individuals to improve their own wellbeing • Make mental health a priority in the community to reduce the mental health stigma. • Create spaces for people to talk and be heard. • Improve access to mental health support, information, and preventative services within the community. • Will decrease the amount of people experiencing mental health difficulties within the community which will decrease the pressure on Carmarthenshire County Council and NHS services within the community.
Ownership/ Lease	Lease agreement in conjunction with Ammanford FC – Community Asset transfer
<p>Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities</p> <p>Environmental Sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welsh Language Policy • Equal Opportunities Policy • Digital Inclusion Policy • Health & Safety Policy • Environmental Policy <p>The charity has an Environmental policy that will be adhered to during this project, as also providing an online service, no need for travel, this will have a positive impact on the environment.</p>
Roles and responsibilities within organisation	Elizabeth Thomas-Evans is the Jac Lewis Foundation Counselling Services Manager, who is a Master Level Cognitive Behaviour Psychotherapist also completing a Doctorate in Psychotherapy at Middlesex University and has vast experience as a senior manager within a local authority and has managed award winning counselling services and will be the project lead and manage the volunteers that will help to deliver the project.
Mapping of service/ facility within the area	Too many young people are losing their lives through suicide. There is a gap in services in Wales that offer preventative wellbeing services or immediate support to those that are struggling. There is a long waiting list for mental health support from the NHS and many people find themselves never receiving the help they so desperately need.

	<p>There is a negative stigma associated with mental health which many find difficult to discuss with family and friends, especially males.</p> <p>An essential new service for the area, with no duplication of services.</p>
Future Sustainability	The charity will be responsible for future maintenance and liability of the project, the project will be financially sustainable in the future by raising money through fundraising.
Outputs to be achieved Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs	New volunteers – 5 New services - 1 The evaluation of this project will be incorporated into a Doctorate in Psychotherapy at Middlesex University and the Metanoia Institute, London. Therefore, this project will be extensively monitored, evaluated, and evidenced by top academics in the field of psychotherapy and will conclude with a written paper on its effectiveness and usefulness as a preventative mental health project with a community environment.
Business Plan/Officer Comments	<p>Ammanford Town has a very enthusiastic sporting community which was hit hard by the death of Jac Lewis who was very popular within the sporting community and the loss of him impacted the community greatly.</p> <p>It is through this great loss that the Ammanford sporting community came together to collectively form the Jac Lewis Foundation with a passion to provide a professional lifeline within the Ammanford Community to anyone in need of support.</p> <p>Currently there is a great need in support for mental health difficulties which has been exasperated by the COVID-19 Pandemic and lockdown. Mental health services and the NHS are unable to cope with the demand for their mental health services and people in Carmarthenshire are waiting months for support. The Jac Lewis Foundation is being innovative and creative in its approach to supporting local community residents with their mental health difficulties by developing this project to put more support online to be easily accessible by community residents to receive the support they need to increase their wellbeing and resilience.</p>
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education - 4 • Number of individuals into volunteering - 10 • Number of individuals into employment • No of community groups/organisations assisted - 5 • 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 - £37,970.00

Recommendation	Award - £15,000.00

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Application reference: MYB-20-11

Project Title	Accessible Play Equipment Tycroes Park
Applicant	Llanedi Community Council
Ward	Tycroes
Project Description/ Community Benefit	<p>This project seeks to secure funding to provide much needed accessible play equipment to Tycroes Play area as the current equipment is inadequate for the needs of all children, particularly those that have a disability.</p> <p>Furthermore, there is a deficit in available sensory equipment which is vital for cognitive development, as it teaches children to process, order and filter sensory input and respond to this accordingly. To be an inclusive, welcoming, and supportive community it's important to provide play equipment for children of all needs.</p> <p>Tycroes Park is a very under-utilised area and there have been many expressions from members of the public that there are insufficient play opportunities within the park.</p> <p>The Play Area will target children during out of school hours and weekends. The nearest alternative useable park is some distance away which is inappropriate for young children to attend independently, with the need to cross a dangerous main road.</p> <p>Playgrounds often act as focal points for the community, providing a meeting area for children and parents alike. As the number of youth clubs and associations decreases it has become even more relevant. They offer a place for children to play and forge new friendships, while ensuring they remain healthy and active.</p> <p>The recreation park provides a 'breathing space' and play opportunities for the communities that surrounds it. The site already enjoys the support of the local community and visitors and the proposed work will increase its attractiveness through increasing the facilities and widening the range of activities within the park.</p>
Total Project Cost	£22,196.84 – Net
Eligible Capital	<p>£22,196.84</p> <p>£1,600.00 – Preliminaries & Site Works</p> <p>£11,662.40 – Play Equipment</p> <p>£8,934.44 – Surface treatment and installation</p>

<p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>£15,000.00 @ 68%</p> <p>£7,196.84 Llanedi Community Council Funds- Secured</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>Several Community consultations have taken place over the years starting in 2012 which consisted of a visioning day in the local community along the lines of a Planning for Real exercise and further consultation exercises have happened since.</p> <p>The scheme consulted local children in the community, promoting active involvement by the younger generation in a community initiative.</p> <p>Llanedi Community Council have received numerous letters of support from residents, organisations, and businesses.</p>
<p>Contributing to the themes of the Fund</p>	<p><u>Health and Recreation</u> Play is an important part of a child’s development and in an era where child obesity is ever increasing, it is important to keep pace with new trends to attract children to play more. The objects of the scheme shall be to promote the health and well-being of the residents of the village of Tycroes and adjacent areas. The new play equipment will attract children who’ve previously struggled to use the existing play equipment which will help reduce social isolation and enable them to participate equally alongside others.</p> <p><u>Environment</u> The scheme will improve the physical environment as the current facility has become an eyesore. A more attractive and welcoming park will entice more participation and will help foster a sense of ownership and pride amongst residents. The materials specified for the works will where possible be from sustainable sources and be capable of being recycled at the end of their life.</p> <p><u>Education</u> Enabling children to play together helps in forming stable social groups and to integrate new children in a community which assists in the educative process. Playgrounds provide crucial and vital opportunities for children to play. There is substantial research showing the clear link between play and brain development, motor-skills, and social capabilities. All learning—emotional, social, motor, and cognitive—is accelerated, facilitated, and fuelled by the pleasure of play. Playgrounds that promote different types of play are vital for a child’s cognitive, emotional, physical, and social development.</p> <p><u>Energy Efficiency/Sustainability</u></p>

	<p>The provision of the additional equipment will ensure the sustainability of the play area as a main playground provision in the community. Furthermore, the Council regularly checks the equipment and ensures repairs are swiftly completed to aid the longevity of play equipment</p>
Ownership/ Lease	Community Asset Transfer to Llanedi Community Council
Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities Environmental Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal Opportunity Policy • Environmental Policy • Welsh Language Policy • Digital Inclusion Policy • Volunteer Policy <p>The Community Council has an active Environmental Policy Statement which is strictly adhered to. Where possible all materials used will be sourced from an environmentally sustainable source and will be capable of being recycled at the end of their useful life.</p>
Roles and responsibilities within organisation	<p>Emyr Davies – Chairman Ruth Taylor-Davies – Community Development Officer David Davies – Appointed surveyor, to manage the project</p> <p>There will be a commitment for the Council to inspect the Play Area at regular intervals and to ensure that the equipment and surrounding area is in good order including paying for the maintenance to the park</p>
Mapping of service/ facility within the area	<p>The largest, Tycroes Park on Heol Brown, has a multi-use games area as well as children’s play equipment. Fferws Park and Heol Brown football pitch are both large open spaces for sports and recreation, free for public use.</p> <p>The nearest alternative useable park is some distance away which is inappropriate for young children to attend independently especially with the need to cross a dangerous main road.</p>
Future Sustainability	<p>The Community Council will assume full responsibility for the management and maintenance of the park. The financial sustainability of the park will be achieved through the Community Council budgeting annually for the day to day maintenance together with sinking fund for future replacement.</p> <p>The park will be regularly inspected with any faults being repaired immediately.</p>
Outputs to be achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of new volunteers – 1 • Number of jobs safeguarded – 2 • Number of physical improvements – 1 • Number of environmental improvement schemes – 1 • Number of new community assets – 1
Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs	<p>A few key performance indicators will be in place to address satisfaction rates within the facilities and services provided. The park</p>

	will be regularly monitored, inspected with a progress report, presented at monthly Llanedi Community Council meetings.
Business Plan/Officer Comments	Llanedi community council have been working towards this project for a long time and have secured funding towards the project. Extensive community consultation has taken place which demonstrates the need for this project.
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - 1 • Number of individuals into employment • No of community groups/organisations 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 - £7,196.84
Recommendation	Award - £15,000.00 Subject to breakdown of equipment and costs for project delivery

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Application reference: MYB-20-12

Project Title	Tycroes Trails – Healthy routes around our village
Applicant	Llanedi Community Council
Ward	Tycroes
Project Description/Community Benefit	<p>Since Covid-19, there is an increased interest in people wanting to make the most of walking around the local area and this project seeks to secure funding to develop a series of local walks, of differing lengths and difficulties, in order to encourage people to exercise more in their own locality, thus reducing their recreational carbon footprint, improving their health and well-being and increasing their knowledge and understanding of the historic and cultural legacy of the village.</p> <p>If awarded the fund will pay for research, development and interpretation/ waymarking of routes. Information will be made available as digital downloads on the Community website as well as via interpretation at key locations and community facilities (which will act as starting/end points). Part of the budget will also be used for any minor enhancements required to make routes fully accessible.</p> <p>The trails will target the whole community, creating a range of waymarked walking routes, using existing paths and walkways to serve this neighbourhood.</p>

	<p>There is no current way- marked routes in the village, so this is a unique opportunity to create useable routes, by improving local paths and walks through signage, interpretation, and minor enhancements.</p> <p>The walking routes will have health and social benefits – providing opportunities for social walks/ informal walking groups, family walks and socially prescribed recreation.</p> <p>The project will also tie in with neighbouring assets like Amman Valley route, helping extend it further down the Valley into Tycroes from Pantyfynnon, just over the border.</p> <p>The routes will also help enhance the physical environment and will encourage people to experience their local area, experiencing cultural and natural assets, signage and interpretation will be bi-lingual reinforcing the local culture of the area and promoting the Welsh language.</p>
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital</p> <p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p>£15,000.00 - Net</p> <p>£15,000.00 £833.00 – 20-way marker roundels £2,500.00 – 5 downloadable routes ‘leaflets’ including research and design £8,750.00 – 5 A0 interpretation boards on plinths/ installed, including research and design £2,917.00 – Minor path improvements</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>£12,000.00 @ 80%</p> <p>£3,000.00 Llanedi Community Council own funds -secured</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>Covid-19 highlighted the importance of local exercise and the need for good, safe local routes and the creation of a new walking group Tycroes Trekkers shows there is an active and growing interest in walking in the area and their support for this project is a clear demonstration of need.</p> <p>There is a significant demand for the creation of accessible, waymarked walking routes and the scheme will endeavour to address the needs identified by the community and aspire to address the gap in services locally.</p>
<p>Contributing to the themes of the Fund</p>	<p><u>Health and Recreation</u> The project will provide a network of recreational opportunities for residents of all abilities. Partnerships with Walking for Wellbeing in Carmarthenshire and social prescribers will ensure that routes are</p>

	<p>promoted to those with the most ‘need’ in terms of health, as well as encouraging families and friends to use walks/ local routes as a means of safe outside socialisation ‘on their doorstep’. The objects of the scheme will be to promote the health and well-being of the residents of the village of Tycroes and adjacent areas.</p> <p><u>Education, Culture and Environment</u> Through the interpretation, aimed at a broad audience, the project will inform people about the culture and heritage of the area as well as including elements that would engage a family audience (e.g. things to find/ questions or puzzles to answer etc). Information will be provided on the rural and industrial story of the village, its listed buildings, churches and chapels and other historical sites. All text will be bilingual. Welsh place names will be explained in English text to explain the origin.</p> <p><u>Energy, Efficiency/ Sustainability - Working with Tycroes Trekking Group</u> to create local routes, there will be a drop in carbon footprint and the need people feel to travel outside the local area for walks. Interpretation panels and plinths will be made where possible from recycled or renewable material. The use of the website (including mobile phone friendly interface) will reduce the need for printed material, which also benefits the environment.</p>
<p>Ownership/ Lease</p>	<p>Interpretation will be located on Llanedi Community Council Ground Assets</p>
<p>Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities</p> <p>Environmental Sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal Opportunity Policy • Environmental Policy • Welsh Language Policy • Digital Inclusion Policy <p>The Community Council has an active Environmental Policy Statement which is strictly adhered to and where possible all materials used will be sourced from an environmentally sustainable source and will be capable of being recycled.</p>
<p>Roles and responsibilities within organisation</p>	<p>The project will be managed by the appointed surveyor David Davies.</p> <p>There will be a commitment for the Council’s Community Development Officer to work with the Tycroes Trekkers Volunteers to inspect the routes at regular intervals to ensure that the equipment and surrounding area is in good order.</p> <p>The Community Council will pay for any maintenance to the interpretation and way-marking.</p>
<p>Mapping of service/ facility within the area</p>	<p>There are no current way-marked routes in the village. The project will tie in with neighbouring assets like the Amman Valley Route, helping extend it further down the Valley into Tycroes from Pantyfynnon.</p>

Future Sustainability	The Community Council will assume full responsibility for the management and maintenance of the way-marking and interpretation. The financial sustainability of the project will be achieved through the Council budgeting annually for the day to day maintenance together with a sinking fund for future replacement.
Outputs to be achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New volunteers – 5 • Jobs safeguarded – 2 • New services available – 1 • Physical Improvements – 1 • Environmental Improvement schemes – 1 • New community assets – 1
Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs	Several key performance indicators will be in place to address satisfaction rates within the facilities and services provided to Llanedi community Council for their monthly meetings.
Business Plan/Officer Comments	<p>The project has considered the effect Covid-19 has had on the community and is addressing the need to promote Health and Well-being in their local community.</p> <p>They are working in partnership with Social Prescribers and the Walking for Wellbeing group to ensure that the most in need in the village will be made aware of this project. They are working closely with a local group that formed through covid-19 the Tycroes Trekkers to design the routes and ensure they are suitable for all abilities.</p>
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - 5 • Number of individuals into employment • No of community groups/organisations assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full-time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded - 2 • Public and private leverage funding - £3,000.00
Recommendation	Award - £12,000.00

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Application reference: MYB-20-13

Project Title	Replacement Windows
Applicant	Penygroes Memorial Hall & Institute
Ward	Penygroes

<p>Project Description/ Community Benefit</p>	<p>This project is to make the hall building energy efficient by reducing heat loss through the current windows, part of the committee's energy conservation plan, having already changed the lighting to LED and future proposals to generate own electricity with solar panels, reducing energy costs making the organisation more sustainable.</p> <p>The funding will purchase and install 30 new improved, re-inforced UPVC units as the existing windows have been in place for 21 years and are draughty with broken down glass units, which are heavily condensate. The project will deliver improved conditions inside the building, enabling heating to be on constant but low, without heat loss.</p> <p>The hall is utilised by a wide cross section of the community, young and old, for which constant heat is important for those users, especially the OAP'S, children in the Cylch group and blood service provision.</p> <p>The reduction in heat loss, reduced energy usage, lead to reduced costs and these reductions are fed back to the community groups through minimum hire charges, thus making the hall affordable to all.</p>
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital</p> <p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p>£10,055.00</p> <p>£10,055.00 30 replacement UPVC windows</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>£8,044.00 @ 80%</p> <p>£2,011.00 Own fund secured</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>The need to become energy efficient has been consulted with stakeholders and users of the facility, with an outcome of this project, especially due to the winter months.</p> <p>Consultation was undertaken with several bodies including organisations, current users of the facility and the community, Individual letters of support have been received in support of this project from.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ysgol Meithrin • Penygroes OAP Association • Sisterhood/Women's Institute • History Society • NHS • Women's Guild • Penygroes Indoor Bowls Club members

<p>Contributing to the themes of the Fund</p>	<p>Energy Efficiency/Sustainability The project targets the causes of energy & heat loss from the hall and identifies measures that will result in the building being far more energy efficient, greatly improving the long-term sustainability of the organisation.</p> <p>Recreation/Education/Health/Culture – Creating a comfortable and modern serviceable environment for the recreational use of members and the community users.</p> <p>The objects of the Institute are to promote the education, culture, health, and wellbeing for the residents of Penygroes and surrounding district, regardless of age, ethnic origin, ability, and gender, religious or other belief or political affiliation.</p>
<p>Ownership/ Lease</p>	<p>Ownership</p>
<p>Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities</p> <p>Environmental Sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health & Safety Policy • Equal Opportunities Policy • Welsh Language Policy • Environmental Policy <p>The project in its nature of energy efficiency and conservation promotes Environmental Sustainability and as an organisation we promote environmental issues, recycling is encouraged, and our energy conservation plan is an indication of their commitment.</p>
<p>Roles and responsibilities within organisation</p>	<p>The hall trustees and committee members will be responsible for deciding on a contractor to carry out the work and will monitor and check on the quality and standard of works.</p>
<p>Mapping of service/ facility within the area</p>	<p>This project is for the benefit of the community and wider district and is not duplicating any other service.</p>
<p>Future Sustainability</p>	<p>The energy efficient project will reduce costs and help make the organisation financially sustainable in the future. The organisations energy conservation plan will be ongoing and trustees along with committee members will monitor energy usage and costs.</p> <p>It is anticipated that these measures outlined in the plan will improve the hall and additional activities will increase revenue.</p>
<p>Outputs to be achieved</p> <p>Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs</p>	<p>Physical Improvements – 1 Environmental Improvements schemes – 1</p> <p>Feedback will be sought from the different organisations using the hall, regarding the improvements made, also monitoring number of users within the facility.</p>
<p>Business Plan/Officer Comments</p>	<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 Village Hall is an important focal point in the community and grants opportunity for a cross section of community members to meet.</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 • No of community groups/organisations 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 - £2,011.00
Recommendation	Award - £8,044.00

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Application reference: MYB-20-15

Project Title	Golwg yr Aman Regeneration Project
Applicant	Cwmaman Town Council
Ward	Garnant
Project Description/ Community Benefit	<p>Cwmaman Town Council seek to make improvements to the Golwg yr Aman Park and the bowls Pavilion which is housed within the park to develop a community café, shop and bike/equipment/MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) hire centre.</p> <p>This development will allow members of the community and tourists to access sporting activities as well as providing social opportunities to widen community engagement.</p> <p>The park is conveniently located within the heart of the community and would be an ideal venue to develop this project to service the needs of those using the area, which is extensively used by walkers, children playing in the play park and skateboarding area, young people socialising as well as people watching sports activities on the MUGA and the football/ rugby fields.</p> <p>There is currently no provision available to serve the needs of the community using this area and it is felt that the regeneration of the pavilion will increase tourism to the area and help with increased membership of the bowling club.</p> <p>Golwg yr Aman is also a key space within the existing 'Green Infrastructure' partnership project, engaged with Carmarthenshire County Council.</p> <p>The focus for this project will be on community involvement, which will have a strong ethos of encouraging community participation and social inclusion and this could be achieved through a volunteer scheme whereby people can improve opportunities to meet others</p>

	<p>whilst learning new skills and gaining a sense of ownership in the community.</p> <p>There will be partnership working with the bike maintenance project to attract children to repair bikes donated by the police or charities. Once the children have repaired a bike, they would be allowed to keep it, and this would foster a sense of ownership and pride which in turn will arm children with new skills and a sense of achievement. Furthermore, this generational project will encourage older people to help support children, giving them a sense of purpose and the ability to reconnect with others.</p> <p>A community Café situated away from traffic will be a safe and welcoming space for people to enjoy their leisure time and as loneliness is increasing, it is imperative that there is a social space where people can connect with others. In a time where people are choosing to stay closer to home, a local facility which would give increased opportunities for outdoor exercise and a place to meet others, where social distancing can be adhered to, would vastly improve people's wellbeing.</p> <p>Additional benefits would be an increase in tourism which would help stabilise the economy which would create jobs and business opportunities. This is especially important in a time when many people are losing their jobs as a result in Covid-19.</p>
<p>Total Project Cost</p> <p>Eligible Capital</p> <p>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p> <p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">£16,011.39 – Net</p> <p style="text-align: right;">£16,011.39 £16,011.30 – Includes: creating café, installing picnic benches, improving green space, hire bikes, signage, and Interpretation boards</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Nil</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Nil</p> <p style="text-align: right;">£10,997.15 @ 68.7%</p> <p style="text-align: right;">£5,014.24 Cwmaman Town Council – Confirmed and budgeted</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>During consultation for the Community Asset Feasibility Study (funded under the LEADER scheme), it was considered important to maintain the current use of bowls pavilion facility with contributors citing the historical importance, access for older residents and the ability, through sporting activities, for Cwmaman to engage with other communities.</p> <p>Given the bespoke nature of the site, it is considered a valid option, providing future costs and sustainability can be supported. When discussing the various assets with residents the topics of</p>

	<p>community cafes, cycling, access to sports equipment for children and affordable activities were commonly discussed.</p> <p>In response to these considerations, the proposed concepts herein attempt to support the future of the Bowls Pavilion.</p>
<p>Contributing to the themes of the Fund</p>	<p>Health & Recreation The Covid-19 Pandemic has seen a resurgence of people accessing outdoor exercise activities as scientific research documents that outdoor exercise is safer than indoor exercise. There are currently no bike hire facilities in the area, with the nearest bike hire facility being in Llanelli. Golwg yr Aman Park would be an ideal venue to offer this form of recreation. The opportunity of meeting others in a social context has a wider health benefit reducing feelings of loneliness and isolation. Social isolation has become spotlighted in recent months following the impact of the Covid-19 virus. The health service has seen a dramatic increase with people suffering with anxiety and depression. This is supported by mental health charities who are struggling to cope with increased demand for counsellors. The café would offer this opportunity.</p> <p>Environment As part of this project several bird boxes, hedgehog boxes and other species support items in the park to encourage nesting as well as wildflower planting to encourage plant diversity and to attract pollinators.</p> <p>Energy & Efficiency Solar lighting will be used in the park reducing the use of fossil fuel. All products and equipment used will be environmentally sustainable where possible. The café will use locally sourced sustainable food sources with all the income from the café being reinvested into the project.</p> <p>Education A key aspect of the project is to improve engagement and participation within the local community. This engagement will be heavily focused on ‘education’ regarding raising awareness of environmental issues, sustainable living, skills development through volunteering and activities.</p>
<p>Ownership/ Lease</p>	<p>Owned by Cwmaman Town Council through asset transfer</p>
<p>Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities</p> <p>Environmental Sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal Opportunity Policy • Environmental Policy • Welsh Language Policy • Digital Inclusion Policy <p>Environmental sustainability is very important to Cwmaman Town Council. They will ensure improvements to the local area by working closely with conservation groups and organisations.</p>

<p>Roles and responsibilities within organisation</p>	<p>Cwmaman Town Council will implement and oversee the development of the Golwg yr Aman Regeneration project. The redevelopment works at the building will be supervised by the Council's surveyor David Davies who is a professionally qualified Chartered Surveyor. However, this will be supported by local volunteers with representatives of the local organisations and clubs as well as local Councillors. The Council will be responsible for the day to day management of the facility, including taking bookings, collecting the hire charges, and arranging and paying for routine maintenance.</p> <p>Marrisa Sweeny-Aris is the Centre and Assets manager for Cwmaman Town Council would recruit, train and support volunteers. Marissa would also ensure the facility is marketed appropriately and ensure the health and safety of all users is appropriately being managed. Marissa would also ensure track and trace and social distancing measures are strictly adhered to.</p> <p>Robert Venus is the community Development Officer for Cwmaman Town Council. He would oversee the overall project delivery and management until completion. He will also be overseeing the grant process.</p>
<p>Mapping of service/facility within the area</p>	<p>The park is in the heart of the community, within the park is the bowls Pavilion. There are currently no provisions available to serve the needs of the community using this area.</p>
<p>Future Sustainability</p>	<p>Cwmaman Town Council will be responsible for future maintenance and liability of the project and will oversee staff and volunteers to run the café, shop, nature activities and events that make use of the whole improvement scheme.</p> <p>Profits from the Café/shop will be ploughed into the project to ensure future sustainability.</p>
<p>Outputs to be achieved</p> <p>Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New volunteers – 10 • Jobs safeguarded – 2 • New services available – 4 • Physical improvements – 3 • Environmental improvement schemes – 4 • New community assets - 2
<p>Business Plan/Officer Comments</p>	<p>Cwmaman Town Council have a strong evidence of community consultation showing support for this project.</p> <p>This project would increase tourism which would help stabilise the economy which would create jobs and business opportunities.</p> <p>Covid-19 has shown the need for places to be open locally, cafes have been particularly important in providing takeaway meals to local people. The need for local recreational activities in outdoor space has also been important, which the bike hire and bookable equipment address.</p>
<p>Economic Benefit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - 10 • Number of individuals into employment • No of community groups/organisations assisted • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of full-time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded - 2 • Public and private leverage funding - £5,014.24 •
Recommendation	Award - £10,997.15

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Application reference: MYB-20-16

Project Title	Ammanford Park Memorial Avenue Lighting Project
Applicant	Ammanford Town Council
Ward	Ammanford
Project Description/ Community Benefit	<p>The funding request is to install lighting along the Memorial Avenue of Ammanford Park as no lighting currently exists on the Memorial Avenue entrance into Ammanford Park leading off Iscennen Road.</p> <p>This is one of the main entrances into the park and several complaints have been raised/received by members of the public, requesting the installation of lights to make the area safer to walk in the evenings.</p> <p>Members of the public are currently not using this area and Ammanford Town Council is failing to provide a safe environment for members of the public to walk in the evenings to enhance the health and wellbeing of the public.</p> <p>Currently the park becomes unusable once it gets dark in the winter months. The park is used as a route to and from school for many children, also by the working community, lighting would allow the public to continue to use the park as a safe route throughout the winter months.</p> <p>By installing lighting, it will encourage the use of the park for evening recreational activities, as well as local sports clubs who may wish to undertake evening training.</p>
Total Project Cost	12,045.00 - Net
Eligible Capital	<p>£12,045.00</p> <p>£6,960.00 –Lighting project materials & Equipment £5,085.00 –installation</p>
Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil

<p>Amount and % of grant requested</p> <p>Match funding</p>	<p>£9,636.00 @ 80%</p> <p>£2,409.00 Ammanford Town Council Funds - Secured</p>
<p>Evidence of Need / Community Engagement</p>	<p>Consultation has also been carried out with local members of the community which shows that 94% of the people polled believe the addition of lights would be a positive change to the Park.</p> <p>Ammanford Town Council has taken on board comments and ideas not only put forward directly by members of the public during a consultation process but approaches that have been made to the councillors.</p> <p>The policing of the area by Dyfed Powys Police would also be made easier for both the PSO's and regular Officers. Additionally, it will also add the 'feel-good' factor by encouraging and giving members of the public more confidence to make greater use the park.</p>
<p>Contributing to the themes of the Fund</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreation – The lighting would encourage people to come into the park and make greater use of the park for recreational activities such as walking, running. There would also be an opportunity for exercise classes to be set up. The park also benefits from a splash pad and a cricket ground. More people would then be encouraged to make greater use of the both the splash pad and cricket club. There would also be the added benefit of better health and wellbeing for the community. • Education & Culture – Taking into consideration the current COVID 19 position we are in, by encouraging people into the park open air classes could be set up to include vocational help/training together with educational classes (social distancing being adhered to currently). With increased use these classes could continue for a period beyond COVID 19. The classes could even include educating the public in the history of Ammanford giving an insight to the culture of the Town. This could even lead to an interest in cultural activities being further pursued by attendees of the classes. • Health and Wellbeing – By encouraging members of the public to leave their home and going into the park and meeting other people would bring about a 'feel good' factor and even improve their health. • Environment - Ammanford Town Council has already secured a butterfly garden to be constructed in the park by using volunteers. The better ambience created by the lighting on the Memorial Avenue would encourage people into the park. The increased influx of people into the park would encourage them to visit and take an interest the butterfly garden which would have previously been

	<p>unnoticed. This would add to the sustainability not only of the butterfly garden but the park itself leading to a better environment for the park.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy Efficiency/ Sustainability - The lighting project would use LED high efficiency luminaries which would not only be more sustainable for the environment as they would consume a third of the energy of standing light fittings but have a longer life span when compared with standard lamps.
Ownership/ Lease	Community Asset Transfer
Cross Cutting Themes Welsh Language ICT Equal Opportunities Environmental Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal Opportunity Policy • Welsh Language Policy • Digital Inclusion Policy • Environmental Policy <p>The LED lighting has an anticipated lifespan of 5 years, Ammanford Town Council has a maintenance plan in place to ensure funds are made available for the purchase of replacement components on failure. As the luminaires have 4 LED lamps should one fail the luminaire will still provide sufficient light to meet with the minimum CIBSE lighting regulations of 10 lux.</p> <p>The long term sustainability of the project has been well thought out with Solar Powered installations being used to ensure no further drain on public funds than is absolutely necessary, and to cause as little disruption possible in the short term as the work to install the columns is minimally invasive.</p>
Roles and responsibilities within organisation	<p>A Task and Finish Group within Ammanford Town Council will deliver on-going management of the project.</p> <p>The Ammanford Park Lights project and grant application will be managed by the Community Development Officer of Ammanford Town Council to completion, this includes the procurement process, which will be overseen by the RFO of the Town Council, the Town Clerk.</p> <p>The installation of the lighting and the ongoing maintenance including regular safety checks and battery monitoring will be undertaken by the Town Council.</p> <p>Any monies from the grant in addition to the match funding monies from Ammanford Town Council will be dealt with by the Town Council RFO the Town Clerk, who will make all relevant records and keep checks on balances and project progress to ensure the Finances remain sustainable.</p> <p>Ammanford Town Council will assume full responsibility for the upkeep and maintenance of the lighting out of its annual maintenance precept budget.</p>
Mapping of service/ facility within the area	Currently the park becomes unusable once it gets dark, in the winter months this is anywhere from about 4pm. The park is used as a

	<p>route to and from School for many children and also by people who work in Ammanford, lighting would allow the public to continue to use the park as a safe route throughout the winter months.</p> <p>No lighting currently exists on the Memorial Avenue entrance into Ammanford Park, leading off Iscennen Road and this is one of the main entrances to the park.</p>
Future Sustainability	Ammanford Town council will be responsible for the project. A maintenance plan is in place to ensure that funds are made available for the purchase of replacement components on failure.
Outputs to be achieved Monitoring and Evaluation of outputs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New volunteers – 4 • New Services available – 1 • Physical improvement – 1 • New Community Asset - 1 <p>Safe route to School/Work and extended Fitness/Recreational use of the Park during evening hours will be evaluated ongoing in the Community Development Officers monthly report of Town Council projects.</p>
Business Plan/Officer Comments	<p>ATC have already reserved the match funding for this project and have a project plan in place which oversees the project from start to finish, along with the ongoing maintenance of the lighting.</p> <p>The community will benefit from this project, especially being able to access the park in the evenings for recreational purposes, within a safe lighted environment, which is well overdue.</p> <p>Previous funding was awarded to ATC in Round 6 for the installation of lights but was withdrawn, due to internal issues, wrong specification and not completed within the timescale on agreement they could re-apply.</p> <p>This project will be completed within the timescale.</p>
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 - 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 - £2,409.00
Recommendation	Award - £9,636.00

