

THURSDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2020

TO: THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR LEADER

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU TO ATTEND A VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR THE LEADER** WHICH WILL BE HELD AT **2.30 PM**, ON **THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 2020** FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OUTLINED ON THE ATTACHED AGENDA.

Wendy Walters

CHIEF EXECUTIVE



PLEASE RECYCLE

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FOLLOWING CONSIDERATION OF ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE AND FOLLOWING THE APPLICATION OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER MAY CONSIDER THAT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NOT FOR PUBLICATION AS THEY CONTAIN EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH 14 OF PART 4 OF SCHEDULE 12A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) (WALES) ORDER 2007.
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Note:- The press and public are not entitled to attend the meeting. The decision record will be published normally within 3 working days.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR THE LEADER

TUESDAY, 17 November 2020

PRESENT: Councillor: E. Dole (Executive Board Member).

The following officers were in attendance:

A. Nicholas, Rural Regeneration Officer;
C. Owen, Bureau Officer;
M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer.

Virtual Meeting: 3.00 pm - 3.30 pm

1. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Name	Minute No (s)	Nature of interest
Cllr. E. Dole	Minute No. 6 – Arfor Innovation Fund – Ynni Da	Applicant is a member of the same political group on the Council

2. DECISIONS RECORD - 15TH OCTOBER 2020

RESOLVED that the decision record of the meeting held on the 15th October 2020 be signed as a correct record.

3. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FOLLOWING GRANT FUNDS: WELSH CHURCH FUND

RESOLVED that the following application for assistance from the Welsh Church Fund be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

Welsh Church Fund	
Applicant	Award
Cyfle Building Skills Ltd.	£3,750.00

4. REPORTS NOT FOR PUBLICATION

RESOLVED pursuant to The Local Government Act 1972 as, amended by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 that the following items were not for publication as the reports contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

5. ARFOR BURSARY - LLWYDDO'N LLEOL SIR GÂR

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 4 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report contained detailed information about the business and financial affairs and ambitions of the applicants. In this case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption under the 1972 Act in respect of this report outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information therein, as disclosure would be likely to place the person and businesses named in the report at an unfair disadvantage in relation to their commercial competitors.

The Executive Board Member considered applications received for assistance from the ARFOR Bursory - Llwyddo'n Lleol Sir Gâr.

RESOLVED that the following application received for assistance from the ARFOR Bursory - Llwyddo'n Lleol Sir Gâr be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

ARFOR Bursory - Llwyddo'n Lleol Sir Gâr		
App. Ref	Applicant	Award
AB2-01	GP Architecture Studio	£1,000.00

6. ARFOR INNOVATION FUND

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The Executive Board Member considered applications received for assistance from the ARFOR Innovation fund.

RESOLVED that the following applications received for assistance from the ARFOR Innovation Fund be approved subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report:

ARFOR Innovation Fund		
App. Ref	Applicant	Award
AG5-02	2104 Fashion	£2,204.26
AG5-03	Ecology Planning	£5,000.00
AG5-04	Wright's Independent Foods Ltd.	£2,690.99

NOTE:

As Cllr. Dole had earlier declared an interest in the following application it would be referred to the Executive Board for consideration.

App. Ref	Applicant
AG5-01	Ynni Da

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

DATE

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR THE LEADER 17/12/2020

Executive Board Member:	Portfolio:
Cllr. Emlyn Dole	Leader

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FOLLOWING GRANT FUNDS: TARGETED FINANCE FUND, WELSH CHURCH FUND & FOOD POVERTY FUND

Recommendations / key decisions required:

Targeted Finance Fund – Annex 1

1 Application – Total Value = £20,000.00

Welsh Church Fund – Annex 2

3 Applications – Total Value = £2,545.00

Food Poverty Fund – Annex 3

7 Applications – Total Value = £28,755.47

Total Number of Applications - 11 Total Value = £51,300.47

Reasons:

Development of Sustainable Communities within Carmarthenshire

Directorate Name of Head of Service: Helen L Morgan	Designations: Development Manager Regen & Policy	Tel: 01267 242367 HLMorgan@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
Report Author: Jon Hancock	Bureau Manager	Tel: 01269 590216 JonHancock@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

Declaration of Personal Interest (if any): None

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any): N/A

DECISION MADE:

Signed:

_____ DATE: _____
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

The following section will be completed by the Democratic Services Officer in attendance at the meeting

Recommendation of Officer adopted	YES / NO
Recommendation of the Officer was adopted subject to the amendment(s) and reason(s) specified:	
Reason(s) why the Officer's recommendation was not adopted:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR THE LEADER
17th December 2020

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FOLLOWING GRANT FUNDS:
TARGETED FINANCE FUND, WELSH CHURCH FUND & FOOD POVERTY FUND

To approve the following:

RECOMMENDATIONS / KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

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DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED

YES

IMPLICATIONS

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

Signed: Helen L Morgan Economic Development Manager Regeneration & Policy

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

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below
Signed: Helen L Morgan Economic Development Manager Regeneration & Policy

1. **Local Member(s)** As per individual report
2. **Community / Town Council** As per individual report
3. **Relevant Partners** As per individual report
4. **Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations** As per individual report

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Targeted Finance Fund	TFF-20-01	County Hall, Carmarthen. SA31 1JP
Welsh Church Fund	WCF-20-11 WCF-20-12 WCF-20-13	County Hall, Carmarthen. SA31 1JP
Food Poverty Fund	FPF-20-01 FPF-20-02 FPF-20-03 FPF-20-04 FPF-20-05 FPF-20-06 FPF-20-07	County Hall, Carmarthen. SA31 1JP

**Executive Board Member Decisions Meeting for the Leader
Targeted Finance Fund
2020-2021**

Report Author: Jon Hancock
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 Tel: 01269 590216

Budget Available - £87,390.00

Report Value - £20,000.00

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Application Reference: TFF-20-01

Project Title	Keeping Members Engagement
Applicant	Carmarthenshire's Young Farmers Club (YFC)
Ward	Carmarthenshire Wide
Key Account Management	<p>The Targeted Finance Fund is a discretionary fund available to Key Account Management (KAM) clients. For an organisation to become a KAM client they must be a third sector not for profit organisation that falls into one of the following 3 categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing social enterprises that have the potential to grow, be sustainable and create employment • Emerging projects that have the potential to create jobs ✓ • Third sector organisations that deliver vital services within our communities
Project Description	<p>During the Covid-19 pandemic the YFC has faced significant challenges, where by much of their regular provision has stopped with reduced level of activity. However, the demand for their services (includes stay connected, take care of yourself, online training) has increased due to the isolation of rural young people during lockdown.</p> <p>With little or no income coming into the Organisation, the two full time employees have been on furlough on rotation, which has inevitably restricted and slowed down the process of engaging and making a valuable difference to their members. Keeping existing members involved, engaged and retaining numbers is a paramount.</p> <p>There are a number of challenges both in providing effective interventions to meet young peoples wellbeing needs and in reaching new young people who may require help by engaging with their service. There is also widespread concern young people could develop poor mental health or even exacerbate existing ones due to anxiety about Coronavirus and isolation.</p>

	<p>Over the last few months during lockdown, the Organisation has been trying to engage with members Online and via Social Media they <i>'are learning how to do digital!'</i></p> <p>Prior to the pandemic the 22 Clubs held weekly activities, which is vital, transformational and provides essential services for these young people. However, since March Clubs have had limited contact with their members, some have met online via Zoom or Teams, where most of the clubs pay monthly.</p> <p>Funding is required to purchase 12 month Zoom licences for all 22 clubs to ensure they stay connected with members. This is key to making everyone feel valued, allowing the opportunity to communicate ideas, share skills, knowledge and information that has a lighter content to keep young people engaged. Live streaming training sessions and utilising the members to become digital enthusiasts. The funding would also safeguard one member of staff to ensure there is a coordinated approach with the 2 officers to maintain contact and to look at strategies to develop the clubs moving forward.</p> <p>This 12 month lifeline for the Club would make sure that the members needs are met by giving them the opportunity to socialise with their peers on a weekly basis, keep strong connections with their Clubs and decrease isolation.</p>
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education - 50 • Number of individuals into volunteering - 50 • Number of community groups/organisations assisted - 22 • Number of jobs safeguarded - 1 • Public and private leverage funding - £6,276.36
Total Project Cost	£26,276.36
Eligible costs	£26,276.36
Ineligible Costs	<p>Safeguarding 1 x position - £23,111.00 Purchase of Zoom Licences - £ 3,165.36</p> <p>.</p>
Amount and % of grant requested	Nil
Match funding	<p>£20,000.00 @ 76.114%</p> <p>£6,276.36 Own funds</p>
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. Jean Lewis • Dewi Snelson – Principal Officer, Menter Gorllewin Sir Gar • Various YFC clubs

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trelech Community Council • Telesgop Studios
Evidence of Need / Community Engagement	<p>The YFC has been in operation for many years and during 2019/20 the Carmarthenshire branch of YFC had the highest number of members in the whole of Wales, something that the local members pride themselves on.</p> <p>The YFC is one of the largest rural youth organisations in the UK dedicated to young people who have a love for agriculture and rural life. Members don't need to be involved in farming to be a Young Farmer - just someone who appreciates the countryside and enjoys rural life.</p> <p>Run and led by young people, for young people, Carmarthenshire Young Farmers' Clubs provide the 700 members aged 10 to 26 with an unique opportunity to develop skills, work with their local communities, travel abroad, take part in a varied competitions programme and enjoy a dynamic social life. This helps to tackle rural isolation and social exclusion, encourages self-reliance, individual responsibility, and good citizenship, so members can reach their full potential.</p> <p>Were Carmarthenshire Young Farmers' Clubs to fold or stop operating with a core staff, the loss to the local area with regards to the wider cultural sector would be devastating, due to the fact that they are the only youth and cultural organisation operating in rural Carmarthenshire at this level. They are a lifeline to isolated rural young people who often face issues with accessing youth and support services in their locality and the effects of losing this organisation would be felt in the short, medium and long term.</p>
Contributing to key Strategies	<p>Regional Employment & Skills Plan 2019 for South West Wales</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to transform the economy this project links to the regional skills plan and to the key priority areas. The YFC will increase the proportion of the workforce with higher level skills to try to ensure the future skills supply is flexible and responsive to the growth sectors identified in the economic data identified in the plan. <p>Youth Work Strategy for Wales</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young People are thriving; Provide young people with the opportunity to access to a safe space in which they can have fun, are understood and valued no matter their background, with all these building healthy relationship, avoid isolation and loneliness and develop their confidence, and social and emotional capabilities. • Youth Work is accessible and inclusive, young people as well as their families can see and know where they can go for support. • Voluntary and paid professional staff; individuals should be proud of the valued and essential work they do with young people. Being supported by this project, it will add value to their practice. • Youth Work is valued and understood; Being able to get the funding for this project will make sure that our youth work is being recognised • A sustainable model for youth work delivery; This project will aim to have a strong leadership at County and Club level to help guide their YFC movement forward and successful during the Covid-19. The

	<p>project will give a clear understanding of the value of youth work to Wales and Carmarthenshire also.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Delivery Plan for Employment and Skills for South West and Central Wales 2014-2024 • Integrated Community Strategy for Carmarthenshire 2011-16 • Welsh Government ‘Digital Agenda’ • Welsh Government Strategy ACEs Adverse Childhood Experiences • Children and Young People: Rights to Action • Child Poverty Strategy for Wales • Welsh Government Tackling Poverty Action Plan • Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 • Youth Work Strategy for Wales
Ownership/Lease	N/A
Business Plan/Officer Comments including details of support moving forward/next steps linked to growth and sustainability	<p>Overwhelming need for this largest rural youth organisation across Carmarthenshire, along with the overarching governance is essential for young people who have a love for agriculture and rural lives. Their works and support for over 700 members is exceptional, which brings together communities’, skills, and opportunities for both academic and non-academic individuals.</p> <p>The current challenges of Brexit and Covid-19 have created a tough climate for a generation to grow up in. However, with the YFC’s strong business planning and passion for the sector, their aim is to make young people more resilient in coping with today’s pressures and social distancing.</p> <p>It is recognised that the YFC is facing a funding crisis due to Covid-19 and for the first time in 89 years the organisation has launched a national fundraising campaign to help secure its future.</p> <p>However, through the use of interactive social media, they will continue to maintain contact with their members and promote all their services.</p>
Recommendation	Award - £20,000.00
Subject to:	

**Executive Board Member Decisions Meeting for the Leader
Welsh Church Fund 2020-2021**

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Tel: 01269 590216

Balance Available: £50,748.71

Report Value - £2,545.00

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Application Reference – WCF-20- 11

Project Title	Total Electrical Re-wiring of Capel Bethlehem
Applicant	Bethlehem Capel - Llangadog
Project Description	<p>Bethlehem is a village to the south of Llangadog perched on the hillside overlooking the Towy flood plain. Bethlehem Hall is renowned for stamping cards at Christmas time and hundreds of people each year bring their cards to be stamped with the Bethlehem stamp. Behind the village is Garn Goch which is a bracken covered hillside which turns a glorious red in Autumn and Winter and is the site of an Iron Age Hill fort.</p> <p>The chapel currently have more than 40 members and regular Sunday services are undertaken; however, they do not have their own minister and rely on the availability of ministers from other establishments.</p> <p>This project is for the total electrical re-wiring of Capel Bethlehem. SWALEC electrical company have undertaken a survey and they found that there is no electrical earth present and the electrics need updating on health and safety grounds. A local electrician confirmed the findings.</p> <p>Maintaining the chapel is essential to continue with regular services for the members.</p>
Total Project Cost	£2,880.00
Eligible Capital	£2,880.00
Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Andrew James

Ownership/ Lease	Independent Chapel
Funding Package	£2,880.00
Value of Community Investment	£2,880.00
Amount of grant requested	£720.00 @ 25%
Value of Levered Funds	£2,160.00 Williams Brownhill Applied
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering • Number of individuals into employment • Number of community groups assisted - 1 • Number of new services available • Number of physical improvements - 1 • Number of environmental improvement scheme - 1 • Public and private leverage funding - £2,160.00
Officer Comments	The re-wiring of the Chapel is essential for the safe running of the Chapel and to allow the Chapel to service the community spiritually.
Officer Recommendation	£720.00
Subject to	Subject to match funding from Williams Browns hill being secured

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Application Reference – WCF-20- 12

Project Title	Fabric Repairs
Applicant	Dafen Church
Project Description	<p>St Michaels and all Angel's Parish Church is a grade II listed building, in the Dafen ward of Llanelli.</p> <p>The Church hosts regular mass services as well as Christenings, Weddings and Funerals, they also hire the hall for exercise classes, karate, youth rock band, food bank outlet and elections. Youth groups and Church groups carry out regular fundraising on behalf of the church when restrictions are not in place.</p> <p>The project is seeking funding for repairs needed to the West walls and windows, repairs to Church porch and vestry area roof which needs attention for safety issues. The church hall roof also requires</p>

	<p>repair work due to weather damage and vandalism not covered by insurance. Due to the seriousness of potential damage to the west wall, work has already been undertaken.</p> <p>The repairs are urgently required to ensure that it does not cause injury. Water seeping through walls is also causing damage to the internal fabric of the Church.</p> <p>The Church is well looked after and maintained by volunteers and members. They do repairs when needed to avoid long term problems. Usually the church actively fund raise for repair work, unfortunately due to very limited opportunity to fundraise this year funds are depleting.</p>
Total Project Cost	£5,300.00
Eligible Capital	£5,300.00 West wall repair - £1,500 Church Roof Repair - £1,300 Church Hall Roof repair - £2,500
Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr. Rob Evans
Ownership/ Lease	Church in Wales
Funding Package	£5,300.00
Value of Community Investment	£5,300.00
Amount of grant requested	£1,325.00 @ 25%
Value of Levered Funds	£3,975.00 Own funds secured
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of individuals into training/education Number of individuals into volunteering Number of individuals into employment Number of community groups assisted - 1 Number of new services available Number of physical improvements - 1 Number of environmental improvement scheme Public and private leverage funding - £3,975.00
Officer Comments	Some urgent works have begun from this funding request is and is in line with the Welsh Church Fund criteria.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications for building and improvement works from Chapels and Churches only will be considered for work that has been carried out within six months from the date of application.
Officer Recommendation	£1,325.00
Subject to	

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Application Reference – WCF-20- 13

Project Title	Publication of an additional <i>Carmarthenshire Antiquary</i>
Applicant	The Carmarthenshire Antiquarian Society
Project Description	<p>Established in 1905, the Carmarthenshire Antiquarian Society is one of Wales' oldest and foremost local history societies and promotes the study of the County's history, archaeology, and folklore. An annual journal is produced for its 250 members.</p> <p>During the current pandemic and enforced isolation of all, the Society wishes to publish an additional copy of its journal <i>The Carmarthenshire Antiquary</i> for the benefit of members and the wider community.</p> <p>Society members and the wider community will have access to this provision, and the additional journal will help alleviate feelings of isolation and vulnerability whilst all normal activities are suspended. The project will ensure that interest in heritage, history and conservation issues will be maintained and strengthened over the winter months.</p> <p>The grant would be used to assist with financing the typesetting and printing of this additional publication, free copies will also be distributed to schools and tertiary colleges.</p> <p>During the enforced isolation due to Covid-19, all Society activities have been suspended and the consequent decrease in footfall and monthly financial contributions have had an adverse effect on the Society's income</p> <p>The Society regularly advertises its activities and consistently emphasises the Society's inclusivity and appeal to all citizens of Carmarthenshire who have an affinity with the county's rich past.</p>

	<p>As part of the Society's digital inclusion strategy, portions of the <i>Antiquary</i> will be included on their website for all to peruse and enjoy.</p> <p>Distribution of the additional <i>Antiquary</i> will be carried out by a combination of post and delivery by members.</p>
Total Project Cost	£5,000.00
Eligible Capital	Nil
Eligible Revenue	£5,000.00 Printing and typesetting of additional Antiquary Publication
Ineligible Costs	
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Thorley Chairman, Carmarthenshire Civic Society • Cllr. Alun Lenny • Cllr. Peter Hughes-Griffiths
Ownership/ Lease	Not applicable
Funding Package	£5,000.00
Value of Community Investment	£5,000.00
Amount of grant requested	£500.00 @ 10%
Value of Levered Funds	£4,500 Own Funds
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering • Number of individuals into employment • Number of community groups assisted - 1 • Number of new services available • Number of physical improvements • Number of environmental improvement scheme • Public and private leverage funding - £4,500.00
Officer Comments	The need for the extra publication has been evidenced by the society through consultation exercise. The publication meets the needs of its members and the wider community through the website and to schools and colleges.
Officer Recommendation	£500.00
Subject to	

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**Executive Board Member Decisions Meeting for the Leader
Food Poverty Fund 2020-2021**

Report Author: Jonhancock@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

Tel: 01269 590216

Balance Available: £38,750.00

Report Value - £28,755.47

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Application Reference: FPF-20-01

Project Title	Community Gardening Project
Applicant	Carmarthen Youth Project (Dr Mz)
Ward	Carmarthen Town South
Food Poverty Criteria	<p>The purpose of this grant relates to the improvement of Food Poverty services such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing the level of support available and improving the level of coverage across the county. • Extending opening hours to include some evening and weekends • Improving the nutritional value of provisions being provided • Educating the community on the importance of good nutrition, healthy eating and reducing wastage • Establishing sustainable provision to meet the anticipated increase in demand
Project Description	<p>Dr Mz has been established for many years and work very closely with the local community. The objective of this project to enhance and build on their existing community gardening project. They aim to encourage better and more productive food growing, make the garden a more enjoyable place to be for the young gardening volunteers and offer ground to plate food in the centre for young people who currently do not eat healthy.</p> <p>The composting will support the centre to reduce waste in the café and decrease reliance on landfill, as well as helping to fertilise the crop organically.</p> <p>The aim is to get better and more efficient food stock in the allotment garden to feed more young disadvantage people and teach them the skills to become more sustainable in their adult life.</p> <p>The fund will enable Dr Mz to maximise the productivity of the garden by purchasing the following capital items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A rotating composting bin • A Bokashi bin set and bran to ferment cooked food waste to use as fertiliser on the garden • An outdoor Pizza oven • A propagator • Potting tables for the polytunnel

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Watering irrigation system and timer <p>Dr Mz will be able to support disadvantage young people by providing them with the skills to grow and cook their own food, use waste efficiently and create an environment where they can take home what they have learnt.</p> <p>They will be able to grow their own food and cook meals that are healthy and inexpensive, aiming to reduce the need to access foodbanks through growing food.</p> <p>Dr Mz work closely with the CCC Youth Services to provide a facility for young people where they share resources and expertise. They link in with local businesses, including Lidl, Aldi, Marks, and Spenser, who provide surplus foods. Along with these key businesses they also have a strong relationship with Xcel Bowl, who also support with regular donation.</p>
Outputs	<p>The number of people expected to be supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How many families- 10 How many single people- 60 young people How many homeless people - 2 <p>Increase in the volume of nutritional food being provided. (Specific focus on perishable goods that may not have been provided previously) 10 meals per week</p> <p>Increase of awareness and education levels regarding healthy food, nutrition and decreasing food waste. 60 young people</p>
Total Project Cost	£1,346.00
Eligible Capital	£1,346.00
	Composting equipment- £445.00 Pizza Oven -£270.00 Propagator- £91.00 Irrigation system- £100.00 Potting tables x 2- £140.00 Small chest freezer- £150.00 Under Counter fridge- £150.00
Total Amount of Grant requested	£1,346.00
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr. Alan Speake Cllr. Emlyn Schiavone
Contributing to key Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Help to give every child the best start in life and improve their early life experiences. Help children live healthy lifestyles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support and improve progress and achievement for all learners. • Help people live healthy lives (tackling risky behaviour and obesity). • Supporting good connections with friends, family, and safer communities. • Looking after the environment now and for the future. • Promoting Welsh language and culture.
Ownership/Lease	Owned (Allotment area leased)
Officer Comments	<p>Dr Mz have a strong and committed board of trustees along with a focused management and business plan. They work closely with a range of support organisations to improve the lives of young people in Carmarthen. They also work closely with Dyfed Powys Police and the Crime Commissioner's Office who provide annual funding.</p> <p>This project will help bring key groups together and help provide the skills and access to enable young people to grow and cook nutritious food.</p> <p>Any excess food grown will be donated to Myrtle food bank benefiting the wider community.</p>
Recommendation	Award £1,346.00
Subject to:	

Application Reference: FPF-20-02

Project Title	Food Bank Community Growing Project
Applicant	Ground force Swiss Valley (Swiss Valley C.P School)
Ward	Swiss Valley
Food Poverty Criteria	<p>The purpose of this grant relates to the improvement of Food Poverty services such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing the level of support available and improving the level of coverage across the county. • Extending opening hours to include some evening and weekends • Improving the nutritional value of provisions being provided • Educating the community on the importance of good nutrition, healthy eating and reducing wastage • Establishing sustainable provision to meet the anticipated increase in demand
Project Description	<p>Ground force Swiss Valley, along with Swiss Valley C.P. School and Swiss Valley Residents' Association is looking to provide opportunities for community growing.</p> <p>New raised beds will be constructed on the grounds of Swiss Valley Primary School. Local people of all ages will be encouraged to work together to plant healthy nutritious vegetables and fruit and to look after them throughout the growing season. When the produce is harvested, some of the food will be given to a local food bank in Myrtle House that have worked closely with the school in 2019/20 and some food will be sold to generate funds for future on-going costs e.g. purchasing seeds for seed sales and planting.</p> <p>They would like to ensure that the raised beds are of a height which is suitable for disabled allotment users.</p> <p>The fund would purchase equipment needed to create accessible raised beds for growing fruit and vegetables.</p>
Outputs	<p>The number of people expected to be supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many families 210 • How many single people 0 • How many homeless people 0 <p>(Due to the project being based in a school, the project will work with families with links to the school)</p> <p>Increase in the volume of nutritional food being provided. (Specific focus on perishable goods that may not have been provided previously) 5 meals per term</p> <p>Increase of awareness and education levels regarding healthy food, nutrition and decreasing food waste. 50 children</p>

Total Project Cost	£ 4,934.85
Eligible Capital	£1,788.75- Timber decking boards for 15 raised beds £1,273.50- Compost for 15 raised beds £602.85- 50mm x 50mm timber £90.00 - Decking screws £269.85- Plastic liner for raised beds £380.00 - 10mm gravel (ground between beds) £179.90- Plastic liner (ground between beds) £350.00 - Seeds / Seed potatoes
Total amount of grant requested	£4,934.85
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. Giles Morgan
Contributing to key Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help to give every child the best start in life and improve their early life experiences. • Help children live healthy lifestyles. • Support and improve progress and achievement for all learners. • Help people live healthy lives (tackling risky behaviour and obesity). • Supporting good connections with friends, family, and safer communities. • Support the growing numbers of older people to maintain dignity and independence in their later years. • A Council wide approach to supporting Ageing Well in Carmarthenshire. • Looking after the environment now and for the future. • Promoting Welsh language and culture.
Ownership/Lease	Yes - CCC education department
Officer Comments	The project is working together with key groups in the community to provide access to accessible raised beds. This project will involve the community with food growing projects. Excess food grown will be donated to Myrtle food bank benefiting the wider community.
Recommendation	Award £4,934.85
Subject to:	

Application Reference: FPF-20-03

Project Title	Llwynhendy & Pemberton Food Bank
Applicant	Llwynhendy & Pemberton Forum
Ward	Llwynhendy
Food Poverty Criteria	<p>The purpose of this grant relates to the improvement of Food Poverty services such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing the level of support available and improving the level of coverage across the county. • Extending opening hours to include some evening and weekends • Improving the nutritional value of provisions being provided • Educating the community on the importance of good nutrition, healthy eating and reducing wastage • Establishing sustainable provision to meet the anticipated increase in demand
Project Description	<p>The food Bank was established in July 2019. Supplies are stored in a shipping container stored in the grounds of Bryn & Trallwm Sports and Social Club. However, the floor to the container is no longer safe and is close to collapsing.</p> <p>The Food Bank runs from food donated as well as monetary donations made by the public, supermarkets, local businesses, grants, and fundraising.</p> <p>The project will enable the group to sustain the food bank by purchasing a new storage container. It will also allow them to put on cooking lessons/demonstrations by purchasing a gas griddle cooking instrument and Baine Marie. These instruments will also be used for community events and to prepare fresh food for delivery/pick up. The events will only be carried out when it is safe to do so.</p> <p>The Food Bank has been set up to help those that are struggling to feed their households in the Llanelli area. The demand for the service has increased greatly since the Covid-19 outbreak. The food bank has increased their offering as a result and have raised funds, worked with others, applied for grants to help meet demand.</p> <p>Referrals for individuals are identified through local agencies such as GP Surgeries, Social Workers, Flying Start, Age Cymru, Local Government and Police. There is a referral process in place where information is securely recorded actioned. The food bank reports back to the organisations on how they have been able to support.</p> <p>The following organisations provide supplies to our food bank: Carmarthenshire County Council, Castell Howell, Morrison's, Our Llwynhendy, Co-operative, Jenkins bakery, local pubs that serve food: Joiners and Jollies @ the Hilltop.</p>

	The organisation has a good working arrangement with the Bryn & Trallwm Sports & Social Club – a member only club that is run not for profit and managed by committee. It sees the important work done by the Food Bank and provides plenty of in-kind support such as free renting of the space within the grounds.
Outputs	<p>The number of people expected to be supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many families – 200 • How many single people – 200 • How many homeless people – 30 <p>Increase in the volume of nutritional food being provided. (Specific focus on perishable goods that may not have been provided previously) 200 meals a year</p>
Total Project Cost	£3,193.98
Eligible Capital	£3,193.98
	<p>£349.99 - Gas Griddle</p> <p>£311.00 - Baine Marie</p> <p>£2,532.00 - Shipping container for food storage</p>
Total amount of grant requested	£3,193.98
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. Sharen L Davies • Cllr Fozia Akhtar • Llanelli Rural Community Council
Contributing to key Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help people live healthy lives (tackling risky behaviour and obesity) • Support good connections with friends, family, and safer communities • Support the growing numbers of older people to maintain dignity and independence in their later years • A Council wide approach to support Ageing Well in Carmarthenshire
Ownership/Lease	Lease
Officer Comments	<p>This food Bank is well regarded in the community. Apart from providing food the Food bank also sign post people in the community to the right organisations, who will be able to provide the relevant support organisations such as CRUSE, MIND, CAVS, Local Job Centres and any other agency whom the residents need to access.</p> <p>They have also been disturbing masks donated by the Llanelli Sewing Mask Group, Children's Activity Packs donated by Our Llwynhendy, Teenage Activity Packs donated by Ty Enfys Family Centre and flowers donated by</p>

	M&S. We are much more than a food bank and want to expand to provide hot meals for the elderly and most vulnerable in our communities.
Recommendation	Award £3,193.98
Subject to:	

Application Reference: FPF-20-04

Project Title	Meals on wheels
Applicant	Pembrey and Burry Port Town Council
Ward	Burry Port and Pembrey
Food Poverty Criteria	<p>The purpose of this grant relates to the improvement of Food Poverty services such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing the level of support available and improving the level of coverage across the county. • Extending opening hours to include some evening and weekends • Improving the nutritional value of provisions being provided • Educating the community on the importance of good nutrition, healthy eating and reducing wastage • Establishing sustainable provision to meet the anticipated increase in demand
Project Description	<p>Pembrey and Burry Port Town council currently run a meals on wheels service for 50 residents in the community currently running every Wednesday. The effects of Covid-19 have seen a large rise in demand for this service. The service will begin to run three days a week in January 2021 to meet the needs of the community.</p> <p>The funding will assist in purchasing a chest freezer and preparation items to allow for more varied meals to be produce. Currently the town council are using one oven and hob to produce 50 Roast dinners.</p> <p>When covid restrictions lift the town council will organise social weekly lunch clubs the extra equipment will assist in the storage of the food.</p> <p>The project is aiming to see every vulnerable person in the community receive at least one hot meal a week.</p> <p>Many are unable to cook for themselves, are living on microwave meals or are in food poverty living off cheaply bought convinces foods.</p> <p>This project also supports people's mental health, many of the people using the meals and wheels service are isolating and the volunteer that delivers the meal may be the only person they see all week.</p> <p>The town council are engaged with local volunteer groups such as WI, churches, friendship groups who provide drivers to deliver the meals. Wherever possible the town Council purchases all food ingredients locally to support small independent businesses.</p>
Outputs	<p>The number of people expected to be supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many families- 25 • How many single people - 60

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How many homeless people – 0 <p>Increase in the volume of nutritional food being provided. (Specific focus on perishable goods that may not have been provided previously) – 20 Meals a week</p> <p>Increase of awareness and education levels regarding healthy food, nutrition and decreasing food waste. 12</p>
Total Project Cost	£4,958.64
Eligible Capital	£4,958.64
	£469.99 - Chest Freezer £399.99 - Food Processer £99.99 - Stick Blender £319.99 - Fridge £359.99 - Freezer £2,239.99 - Commercial dishwasher £499.99 - Commercial Microwave £218.72 - Commercial size saucepans £349.99 - Bain Marie
Total amount of Grant requested	£4,958.64
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr. Amanda Fox Cllr. John James Cllr. Shirley Matthews Cllr. Hugh Shepardson
Contributing to key Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Help people live healthy lives (tackling risky behaviour and obesity) Support good connections with friends, family, and safer communities Support the growing numbers of older people to maintain dignity and independence in their later years A Council wide approach to support Ageing Well in Carmarthenshire
Ownership/Lease	N/A Commercial kitchen is situated in the Memorial Hall which is a Town Council Facility
Officer Comments	The need for meals on wheels arose out of the Covid-19 pandemic and has seen a rise in demand for this service. The Town council has plans to run social lunch clubs and events using the equipment purchased post Covid as well as continuing with the Meals on wheels service.
Recommendation	Award £4,958.64
Subject to:	N/A

Application Reference: FPF-20-05

Project Title	Food Storage
Applicant	Salvation army - Carmarthen
Ward	Carmarthen Town South
Food Poverty Criteria	<p>The purpose of this grant relates to the improvement of Food Poverty services such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing the level of support available and improving the level of coverage across the county. • Extending opening hours to include some evening and weekends • Improving the nutritional value of provisions being provided • Educating the community on the importance of good nutrition, healthy eating and reducing wastage • Establishing sustainable provision to meet the anticipated increase in demand
Project Description	<p>The salvation Army based in Lammas Street; Carmarthen is a Christian Community Centre. Here they offer a wide range of services to the community, to include a listening ear, support, and practical help. They assist the community with budgeting and debt advice, employment, & emergency food that includes hot meals twice a week. The people supported include Youth & Children, Families, Older People and Homelessness. Many of these people are of the most vulnerable in society, many suffering with poor mental health and arrange of addictions.</p> <p>This funding will be used to enable the Salvation Army centre to make adaptations to the building to help meet the ever-growing need of poverty food in the town.</p> <p>The centre is currently limited to how much food they can store safely, and this funding will be used to buy additional shelving and a chest freezer to help store the food in the appropriate conditions. They will also install a hand wash freestanding unit to comply with food hygiene regulations and a back splash fitted to the wall behind the commercial cooker.</p> <p>By completing these works the food will be stored safely and provide easy access to the correct food supplies required by the client (considering allergies)</p>
Outputs	<p>The number of people expected to be supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many families - 20 • How many single people - 30 • How many homeless people - 7

	Increase in the volume of nutritional food being provided. (Specific focus on perishable goods that may not have been provided previously) Additional 20 meals per week
Total Project Cost	£4,500.00
Eligible Capital	£4,500.00 Large Chest Freezer- £600 Heavy Duty Racking- £2,000 Supply & Fit Hand Wash sink and apparatus- £1,600 Supply & Fit Stainless-Steel Backsplash- £300
Match funding	N/A
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. Alan Speake • Cllr. Emlyn Schiavone
Contributing to key Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help people live healthy lives (tackling risky behaviour and obesity) • Support good connections with friends, family, and safer communities • Support the growing numbers of older people to maintain dignity and independence in their later years • A Council wide approach to support Ageing Well in Carmarthenshire
Ownership/Lease	Lease
Officer Comments	<p>The Salvation Army is a well establish organisation that work very closely with a range of support services to include the local PCSO, DDAS, Wallich, Probation Services and CAB.</p> <p>Many of the people that visit and use the services of the Salvation Army are those that have been turned away from other organisations in the town and therefore the centre is a safe haven to some of the most vulnerable.</p> <p>Neil the Pastor and his team are dedicated to helping their clients and go that extra mile by offering free shower facilities, clothing, and hot meals to those that are homeless. This funding will enable the service to meet the needs of their growing client base during and beyond this pandemic.</p>
Recommendation	Award £4,500.00
Subject to:	

Application Reference: FPF-20-06

Project Title	Life Café @TG2
Applicant	Ty Gwyn Community Enterprises
Ward	Elli Ward
Food Poverty Criteria	<p>The purpose of this grant relates to the improvement of Food Poverty services such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing the level of support available and improving the level of coverage across the county. • Extending opening hours to include some evening and weekends • Improving the nutritional value of provisions being provided • Educating the community on the importance of good nutrition, healthy eating and reducing wastage • Establishing sustainable provision to meet the anticipated increase in demand
Project Description	<p>The project is based in Llanelli Town Centre, pre Covid the project was run as a café for anyone who needed food and a hot drink or just company. On average 50 people would attend every Saturday evening. Since Covid they have remained open serving take away meals and have attracted a similar number.</p> <p>They serve a full cooked meal every week as well as giving out food bags, hot drinks and brand-new packed scarves, hats, and gloves.</p> <p>During the pandemic they received funding from Carmarthenshire County Council to open every evening this ended July 2020 currently the project opens Saturday and Sunday evenings.</p> <p>The fund would be used to purchase equipment that would enable them to serve food more efficiently and in greater numbers as the need increases.</p>
Outputs	<p>The number of people expected to be supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many families – 20 • How many single people – 50 • How many homeless people – 15 <p>Increase in the volume of nutritional food being provided. (Specific focus on perishable goods that may not have been provided previously) - 20 meals per week</p> <p>Increase of awareness and education levels regarding healthy food, nutrition and decreasing food waste. – 10</p>

Total Project Cost	£5,015.94
Eligible Capital	£5,015.94 £383.98- Hot plate £431.98 - Hot water boiler £4,199.98- Electric Fan Assisted Oven
Match funding	£15.94 Own funds
Total amount of grant requested	£5,000.00
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. John Jenkins • Llanelli Town Council • Carmarthenshire County Council • Local Police team • Llanelli Community Partnership
Contributing to key Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tackle poverty by doing all we can to prevent it, help people into work and improve the lives of those living in poverty • Help people live healthy lives (tackling risky behaviour and obesity) • Support good connections with friends, family, and safer communities
Ownership/Lease	Lease
Officer Comments	<p>The project has been running for over 26 months in in that time they estimate they have provided over 2000 free hot meals. They are well connected within the community and work with other organisations providing similar support. They have a consistent stream of donations from individuals and businesses. They have risen to the challenge of the pandemic and with support from, Carmarthenshire County Council, Police and third sector groups, they managed to increase there to services to help people every evening during lockdown.</p>
Recommendation	Award £5,000.00
Subject to:	

Application Reference: FPF-20-07

Project Title	Tyisha Foodbank
Applicant	Tyisha Positive Action Group
Ward	Tyisha
Food Poverty Criteria	<p>The purpose of this grant relates to the improvement of Food Poverty services such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing the level of support available and improving the level of coverage across the county. • Extending opening hours to include some evening and weekends • Improving the nutritional value of provisions being provided • Educating the community on the importance of good nutrition, healthy eating and reducing wastage • Establishing sustainable provision to meet the anticipated increase in demand
Project Description	<p>Tyisha Positive Action Group started on the 4th February 2017. Initially this was to help residents in Tyisha, which is the most deprived area in Carmarthenshire.</p> <p>Witnessing the dire need in the community and wanting to be a practical and genuine help the group started Tyisha Foodbank in February 2020. However, it quickly became obvious there was a similar need across Llanelli and surrounding areas.</p> <p>As a result of the pandemic the group are now helping people who have never needed help before. Suddenly many have found themselves out of work or having to shield with no friends or family to support them. Many are frightened, hungry, and bewildered at how dramatically their lives have changed so quickly. Tyisha Positive Action Group want to continue the Food Bank that has been set up, as when lockdown is over there are going to be people for various reasons in even greater need.</p> <p>The groups aim is to set up a project where they can end hunger in the Llanelli area. Service users have different needs, their aim is to meet those needs in many ways but primarily by banishing hunger. The effects of the pandemic will be long lasting, and they want to be a 'constant' for people to know support is there if needed.</p> <p>The service uses many forms of social media and release daily adverts and promotional videos.</p>

	The fund would allow the group to increase their storage capacity to hold and store a much larger quantity of food to distribute to the community.
Outputs	<p>The number of people expected to be supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many families - 50 per week • How many single people - 25 per week • How many homeless people - 10 per week <p>Increase in the volume of nutritional food being provided. (Specific focus on perishable goods that may not have been provided previously) – 50 food parcels per week</p>
Total Project Cost	£4,822.00
Eligible Capital	£4,822.00
	Freezers x 3 - £1,102.00 Industrial shelving- £3,720.00
Total amount of grant requested	£4,822.00
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. Suzy Curry • Cllr. Andre McPherson
Contributing to key Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tackle poverty by doing all we can to prevent it, help people into work and improve the lives of those living in poverty • Help people live healthy lives (tackling risky behaviour and obesity) • Support good connections with friends, family, and safer communities
Ownership/Lease	The group will be moving to The Goods Shed in spring 2021
Officer Comments	The Tyisha Positive Action group are a reactive group that have risen to the challenge of supporting the Tyisha ward and wider Llanelli area as a response to the pandemic, they have adapted the support on offer as a result and created a Food Bank that was created out of identified need.
Recommendation	Award £4,822.00
Subject to:	

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