

Welsh Church Fund 2020-2021

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Application Reference – WCF-20-05

Project Title	Libanus Chapel
Applicant	Addolai Cymru
<p>Project Description</p>	<p>Addoldai Cymru is a charity set up to take into ownership a selection of chapels that are historically and/or architecturally significant to the story of chapel building and Nonconformity in Wales and that are valuable to their local communities, they aim to protect and sensitively develop a small number of Wales' chapels and currently own eight buildings from a variety of denominations located across Wales.</p> <p>Libanus Welsh Baptist chapel was built in 1841 and became redundant in 1998, Listed at grade II*, Libanus is an unusually early example of a rural, gable fronted two storey chapel, with a magnificent and little altered interior with a 3-sided gallery and painted panelled box pews.</p> <p>A late 19th century stable and school room adjoins, and the building is set within an attractive rural graveyard which is carefully managed to maintain its biodiversity interest. The chapel was acquired by Addoldai Cymru in 2003 as an important example of its type.</p> <p>This project is to support works to repair the main chapel floor and the two staircases, as the chapel floor suffers with extensive evidence of wet rot and woodworm, as well as movement due to failed bearers, with some areas already collapsing and the problem has been made worse by the non-existence of a drainage system on what is a damp site.</p> <p>Also, cross-ventilation is inadequate and is limited to a single ventilator to the rear and the floor now requires extensive replacement and the south staircase is in poor condition and unsafe to use, it requires reconstruction, reusing sound joinery and the north staircase is deteriorating, with some movement evident, which also requires total renovation.</p>

	Once the building is accessible, they will be able to utilise the building for the benefit of the local community, such as local groups and volunteers, as well as visitors, photographers and tourists, they currently have a small number of visitors to the building, within the constraints of its condition, people with an interest in heritage, chapel history or have a local family connection.
Total Project Cost	£26,320.00 – Net
Eligible Capital	£26,320.00 Capital renovation works – architects report provided
Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. Arwel Davies • CADW • Llansadwrn Community Council • Keep Wales Tidy • Local groups & organisations • Carmarthenshire County Council Officers
Ownership/ Lease	Welsh Religious Buildings Trust
Funding Package	£26,320.00
Value of Community Investment	£26,320.00
Amount of grant requested	£3,000.00 @ 11.40%
Value of Levered Funds	£23,320.00 £21,360 – CADW Secured £1,960 - Donations
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering • Number of community groups/organisations assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • Public and private leverage funding - £23,320.00
Officer Comments	They have a local keyholder who manages access and regularly checks the building. Additional constraints obviously apply in the

	<p>current COVID-19 pandemic and they observe best practice in the conservation of their buildings.</p> <p>It is envisaged that Libanus will become a visitor attraction in the Tywi Valley area which has an expanding tourist profile. The Trust has over the years worked with Keep Wales Tidy and provided volunteer opportunities within the grounds of the chapel.</p> <p>This project will provide an example of good practice in the conservation of a redundant chapel.</p>
Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
Subject to	

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Application Reference – WCF-20-06

Project Title	Nurse-led Call Back Service for Cancer Outpatients
Applicant	Tenovus Cancer Care
Project Description	<p>Tenovus Cancer Care provides specialist cancer support services for the people of Carmarthenshire affected by cancer.</p> <p>Call Back is specifically designed to provide cancer outpatients, and their carers, with information, specialist support, and direct access to any support they require during their treatment, which is specifically important when dealing with issues that can arise for a patient following a treatment session, providing them with access to the knowledgeable information, advice and support they require.</p> <p>It is a service that also gives clinicians the knowledge that outpatients' response to a treatment session is not problematic, for all signed-up participants in the service can contact their named Call-back nurse in such a situation or any other unforeseen circumstances that arise. COVID-19 makes that even more important for outpatients and their clinical team.</p> <p>The service will benefit the community by providing cancer outpatients with access to a qualified and experienced cancer nurse and Outpatients will also be informed they can ring the call-back service at any time when they consider they need to do so, for whatever reason. T</p>

This addresses a need that outpatients might often find crucial, especially now with COVID-19.

Providing Call-back and the Support Line benefits the community at large as well as the patient, their carer and family. It enables patients to remain in the community while receiving treatment, avoiding family and friends from having to make regular hospital visits, while knowing there is dedicated oncology nurse support available at the end of a telephone number.

In terms of an individual's health and the resilience of communities, the services provided by both Call-back and Support Line are more necessary in this COVID-19 world than ever before, and will remain so for the foreseeable future, as statutory health services seek to clear the backlog created as a result of the pandemic.

By supporting and enabling cancer patients, their families, and carers, to deal with the financial consequences of a diagnosis, the project will potentially benefit the community generally by:

- making it possible for them to participate again in and contribute to the life of their community
- reducing the risk of individuals going or slipping further into poverty, contributing to the financial wellbeing and sustainability of their community, and consequently improving its deprivation rating and financial strength
- indirectly through the range of services provided, the project can contribute to the effectiveness of the patient's treatment and recovery.

They will work with cancer teams at the two district general hospitals in Carmarthenshire, and with GP surgeries in the county to promote the service, providing them with posters and information leaflets in English and Welsh for waiting rooms and to give to patients.

Call-back service is primarily for outpatients, but any person who has received a diagnosis of cancer can access the service once they are discharged as in-patients.

The project funding requested to cover a period of twelve months, will be used towards the following Call-back and Support Line service expenses incurred by the charity in delivering it to anyone who lives or works in Carmarthenshire and will support the following;

- Nurse employment costs and travel expenses
- Phone calls
- Promotion of service through posters, leaflets and by social media
- Management and supervision
- Monitoring and evaluation.

The annual number of people diagnosed and of people living in Wales affected by cancer has increased, unavoidably resulting in an

	<p>increase in the demand for their Call-back and Support Line services, especially with COVID.</p> <p>The sustainability of this project and those services generally will be maintained through their income generation strategy and post the application funding period, they will cover the project's expenditure directly from their core budget, including submission of grant applications to other funding bodies for this project specifically.</p> <p>They fund their core budget through a comprehensive funding strategy that includes numerous and diverse sources, including donations by individuals and corporate bodies, payroll giving, Gift Aided donations and a chain of shops on the high street, which have now reopened after being closed for nearly six months due to COVID-19 lockdown rules.</p>
Total Project Cost	£18,102.00
Eligible Capital	Nil
Eligible Revenue	£18,102.00 £14,123.00 - Employment of Nurse/Associated costs £440.00 – Phone/media costs £750.00 – Posters/leaflets £1,500.00 – Recruitment/training of volunteers £1,289.00 – Management/supervision costs
Ineligible Costs	Nil
CIr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Baker – Lottery • Hywel Dda University Health Board • GP Surgeries • Macmillan Cancer Support, Cancer Research UK, and local cancer charities across Wales • Citizens Advice Bureau. • Shelter Cymru. • People throughout Wales affected by cancer, patients, their families and / or carers primarily •
Ownership/ Lease	Not applicable
Funding Package	£18,102.00
Value of Community Investment	£18,102.00
Amount of grant requested	£3,000.00 @ 16.6%
Value of Levered Funds	£15,102.00 £10,000.00 – Lottery Awards for All secured £5,102.00 – Own funds secured

Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - 2 • Number of community groups/organisations assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded – 1 • New services available - 1 • Public and private leverage funding - £15,102.00
Officer Comments	<p>Since late 2014 they have, in partnership with local health boards, provided a nurse-led telephone support service for cancer outpatients, their families and carers.</p> <p>They have now agreed with Hywel Dda University Health Board that all cancer outpatients in the region will be made aware of and given an opportunity to sign-up to the Call-back service, hence the need for additional project funding to expand and deliver new services for those in need, within Carmarthenshire.</p> <p>The specialist cancer support services they provide will enable the patient, their carer and family, to deal with such issues and obtain the best outcome possible for them in their circumstances. In many instances, the support provided will enable people to re-engage with communal activity, when COVID-19 social isolation measures will be relaxed.</p> <p>When financial support is received for any service, they accredit this on all published documentation related to the service and acknowledge it in their annual reports.</p>
Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
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Application Reference – WCF-20-07

Project Title	Building Refurbishment – COVID 19 Requirements
Applicant	Ammanford Bible Church
Project Description	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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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 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.

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.

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.

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.

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

	<p>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>£20,040.00 - Gross</p> <p>£20,040.00 Total renovation costs</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p>
<p>Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Deian Harries • Chris Baker – Lottery
<p>Ownership/ Lease</p>	<p>Ownership</p>
<p>Funding Package</p> <p>Value of Community Investment</p> <p>Amount of grant requested</p> <p>Value of Levered Funds</p>	<p>£20,040.00 - Gross</p> <p>£20,040.00</p> <p>£3,000.00 @ 15%</p> <p>£17,040.00 £3,500.00 – Lottery Awards for All – secured £8,500.00 – Williams Brown Hill – applied £5,040.00 – Mynydd y Betws – applied</p>
<p>Economic Benefit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - 30 • Number of community groups/organisations assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • New services available - 1 • Public and private leverage funding - £17,040.00
<p>Officer Comments</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.</p> <p>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.</p>

Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
Subject to	Subject to securing match funding from the Williams Brown Trust

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Application Reference – WCF-20-08

Project Title	Community Wellbeing Centre
Applicant	Jac Lewis Foundation
Project Description	<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

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 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 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>Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Deian Harries • MYB Panel Members • Chris Baker – Lottery

Ownership/ Lease	Ownership
Funding Package	£52,970.00 - Gross
Value of Community Investment	£52,970.00
Amount of grant requested	£3,000.00 @ 5.7%
Value of Levered Funds	£34,970.00 Sponsorship funds secured £15,000.00 – Mynydd y Betws – applied
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - 5 • Number of community groups/organisations assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created - 1 • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • New services available - 1 • Public and private leverage funding - £34,970.00
Officer Comments	<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> <p>http://www.JacLewisfoundation.co.uk https://www.facebook.com/JacLewisFdn/</p>
Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
Subject to	

Application Reference – WCF-20-09

Project Title	Promote & Protect 2020
Applicant	Glynhir Golf Club
Project Description	<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>Eligible Revenue</p> <p>Ineligible Costs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">£13,004.63 – Net</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£13,004.63 £5,200.00 – New flooring £6,765.07 – Replacement windows £1,039.56 – Refurbishment of toilets</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nil</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nil</p>
<p>CIr and Officer Consultations Undertaken</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mynydd y Betws Panel Members
<p>Ownership/ Lease</p>	<p>Ownership</p>
<p>Funding Package</p> <p>Value of Community Investment</p> <p>Amount of grant requested</p> <p>Value of Levered Funds</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">£13,004.63</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£13,004.63</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£1,300.00 @ 10%</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£11,704.63 £10,000.00 – Mynydd y Betws</p>

	£1,704.63 – Friends of Glynhir
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - • Number of community groups/organisations assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • New services available • Public and private leverage funding - £11,704.63
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>
Officer Recommendation	Award - £1,300.00
Subject to	