

Regeneration & Leisure Executive Board Report
Welsh Church Fund 2015- 2016
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Balance Available: £57,943.62
Report Value: £6,000.00

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Application Reference – WCF- 15 - 49

Project Title	External Refurbishment
Applicant	Llanarthney Parish Church
Project Description	<p>"LLANARTHNEY a parish, containing 2178 inhabitants. This parish is pleasantly situated on the south bank of the river Towy; nearly all enclosed, and comprehends a considerable part of the mountain of Mawr, and a large tract of arable and pasture land. The village, through which passes the turnpike-road from Carmarthen to Llandilo-Vawr, is surrounded by a profusion of the richest and most picturesque scenery; situated on the south bank of the Towy, on one of the finest reaches of that beautiful river, it appears to be entirely enclosed by lofty eminences of singularly diversified aspect, Middleton Hall.</p> <p>The church, dedicated to St David, is a neat plain edifice, with a low square tower, but presents no architectural details of importance; there were formerly two chapels of ease, of which one is now in ruins.</p> <p>This project involves restoring three leaded light windows in the Church, which will need to be removed, repaired and replaced. It had been intended to carry out this work as part of the recent major restoration project but it had to be postponed on account of escalating costs.</p> <p>Also lime washing the tower, removing algae growth and making good cracks in the lime plaster work, which ongoing work is resulting from the restoration work previously carried out to waterproof the tower.</p>
Total Project Cost	£12,067.20
Eligible Capital	£12,067.20 £5,107.20 – Lime washing tower £6,960.00 – Leaded light restoration
Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil

Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Wyn Evans
Ownership/ Lease	Ownership
Funding Package	£12,067.20
Value of Community Investment	£12,067.20
Amount of grant requested	£3,000.00 @ 24.9%
Value of Levered Funds	£12,067.20
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education • Number of individuals into volunteering - • Number of individuals into employment • Number of community groups assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • Public and private leverage funding - £12,067.20
Officer Comments	This project funding request is for repairs to the facility, which meet the criteria of the fund.
Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
Subject to	

Application Reference – WCF- 15 - 50

Project Title	Essential Repairs
Applicant	Tabernacle Independent Chapel - Pencader
Project Description	<p>Tabernacle is situated within the village of Pencader; In 1909 the present chapel was built in a mixed architectural style of Simple Gothic and Art Nouveau.</p> <p>Pencader is the primary settlement of the district comprising of some 400 dwellings and approximately 1000 residents. Pencader became an important centre for nonconformity in the seventeenth century The growth of the Woollen Industry in the nineteenth century and the arrival of the railway in 1864 improved communication and generated commerce. Within a hundred years the mills closed and the railway was removed and dismantled and Pencader became less important as a centre for employment compared to the adjacent towns. Most of the current village was developed in the last two hundred years. A large estate of Public Housing constructed in the 1970s has been subsequently added to with additional construction of two lesser groups of houses elsewhere.</p> <p>The village itself has a post office, two general stores, and a gardening shop, a restaurant, two hair salons, a caravan retailer, a church, two chapels, a residential care home and a Chapel of Rest. Outside the village there is a pet food factory. The community primary school is of modern construction and serves the area well. A village football club operates from within the Pavilion, which also serves as a communal hall along with Yr Hen Gapel and the Church Hall. Pencader has an annual carnival and is the centre for the Pencader Pipe Festival.</p> <p>The chapel currently has in excess of 130 members, providing 50 annual services and regular Sunday school for 20 children.</p> <p>Dry rot has been established in the walls of the vestry, also the toilets and kitchen, which needs to be treated urgently to avoid further disrepair.</p> <p>This will involve hacking down all plaster on effected walls, removing effected windows and doors, also all the timbers in the walls. Then treating walls with anti fungal solution by a specialist company and replacing windows and doors with new, plastering and painting walls.</p>
Total Project Cost	£21,994.00
Eligible Capital	<p>£21,994.00</p> <p>Schedule breakdown of works supplied with application</p>

Eligible Revenue	Nil
Ineligible Costs	Nil
Cllr and Officer Consultations Undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Linda Evans
Ownership/ Lease	Ownership
Funding Package	£21,994.00
Value of Community Investment	£21,994.00
Amount of grant requested	£3,000.00 @ 13.6%
Value of Levered Funds	£18,994.00 Applied from Statkraft Wind farm community funding
Economic Benefit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals into training/education - • Number of individuals into volunteering - • Number of individuals into employment • Number of community groups assisted - 1 • Number of social enterprises created • Number of social enterprises supported • Number of full time jobs created • Number of jobs safeguarded • Public and private leverage funding - £21,994.00
Officer Comments	Essential works are required to the chapel, which fit the criteria of the grant
Officer Recommendation	Award - £3,000.00
Subject to	