Pant y Wal Extension – Community Fund Rules

**The Pant Y Wal Extension project has a £2.5m lifetime community benefit to be distributed at £100,000 per annum.** The fund was not secured by a Section 106 (one was not sought by the LPA) and is paid voluntarily by the company. In this project we also paid a community benefit during the construction years prior to operations. The benefit is available for qualifying projects in the communities that lie within Bridgend CBC and specifically those in the Ogmore Valley such as Blackmill, Lewistown, Wyndham, Ogmore Vale, Nant y Moel and Price Town. Monies not spent in any year are rolled up within the company and ring fenced for future spend.

For this project the operational year closes in December and applications should be made by November of that year. The aim is then to distribute funds around Q1 of the following year.

The company holds the funds but in this case applications are vetted by the **Ogmore Vale Community Council** who have developed their own criteria for grants (please see below). Individuals or groups apply directly to OVCC either by phone, letter or email using the form below.

Typical projects are usually community development, sports or youth development of various kinds (we provide some examples below). Following the application a company representative meets with the applicant one or more times to understand the bid and to identify any opportunity for match funding. If the project qualifies the bid is recommended to the board of directors for approval. All qualifying bids are presented to the board in one paper a year. Some of the projects below have resulted in employment opportunities. As a company we try attend a number of local events every year to get a feel for community needs.

Examples from construction years;

1. Application for purchase of 30 no. iPad computers and 7 no. HD TV’s **for Nantymoel Junior School, BCBC.** The school has 7 classes with 28-30 pupils per class.  **Grant £17,500.**



1. Application for a bike and scooter rack facility for **Nantymoel Primary School, BCBC**. Three quotes were sought for installation of the facility and the selected bid was **£6,708.60. Grant £6,708.60 Nantymoel.**



Examples from Year 1 Administered by OVCC

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|  | **GROUP** | **PROJECT DETAILS** | **TOTAL COST** |
| 1 | Lewistown Tenant & | Convert an area into a patio, new BBQ |  |
|  | Residents Association | table/chairs, jet wash equipment and |  |
|  |  | arts and crafts supplies | £4,330 |
|  |  |  |  |
| 2 | Wyndham Boys & Girls | Support for ongoing operations: |  |
|  | Club/Community Centre | insurance/fire safety/broadband/utilities |  |
|  |  | Also B & G football (120 children) |  |
|  |  | currently 8 teams in Bridgend County |  |
|  |  | League: supporting families on low |  |
|  |  | income - subsidies to purchase kit as |  |
|  |  | this is sometimes a barrier for families | £8,679 |
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| 3 | Exercise & Dev Group | Working at Nantymoel Primary School |  |
|  |  | 2 year project to improve the well-being |  |
|  |  | of children from age 2 - 6 years. |  |
|  |  | Purchase of new equipment to allow |  |
|  |  | continuation of the project | £286 |
|  |  |  |  |
| 4 | Cwm Ogwr Men's Shed | Secure year 2 of the project |  |
|  |  | Technology phase 1 |  |
|  |  | Doll's House Project |  |
|  |  | Support for socially isolated men in |  |
|  |  | OV since 2018. Working with medical |  |
|  |  | professionals, social workers and |  |
|  |  | third sector to promote & encourage |  |
|  |  | participation | £10,535 |
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| 5 | Cwrt Gwalia Residents | Garden: erect raised beds, polytunnel |  |
|  | Association | garden shed. Tackling lonliness and |  |
|  |  | improving well-being. Inviting local |  |
|  |  | school pariticpation | £2,050 |
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| 6 | Bad Bikes Youth Project | Fund materials, resources/sessional |  |
|  |  | workers to organise, plan and deliver |  |
|  |  | engagement workshops, crafts |  |
|  |  | workshops, building workshops andd |  |
|  |  | art throughout the year. Seasonal |  |
|  |  | displays, lighting, 3D structures, rustic |  |
|  |  | dolls houses | £10,259 |
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| 7 | Valley Ravens | Kit for the mini and junior rugby club |  |
|  | Ages 6 - 14 years | in the Ogmore Valley |  |
|  |  |  | £750 |
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| 8 | Ogmore Vale Male Voice | To replace the existing partial heating |  |
|  | Choir | system with a new modern system to |  |
|  |  | heat the whole building. Canolfan |  |
|  |  | Bethlehem. | £12,000 |
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| 9 | Ogmore Vale Local | To install information panels on the |  |
|  | History Society | Heritage Trail - the length of the cycle |  |
|  |  | track from Blackmill to Nantymoel. |  |
|  |  | The society will be adding images and |  |
|  |  | need to catalogue the 36,000 digital |  |
|  |  | images - to do this we need to buy 3 x |  |
|  |  | external hard drives to distribute to |  |
|  |  | members and the 'Dublin Core Std'. |  |
|  |  | Also need to upgrade aging laptop and |  |
|  |  | purchase a projector for presentations |  |
|  |  | to the public and at history meetings | £1,006 |
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| 10 | Nantymoel RFC | Essential premises improvements |  |
|  |  | upgrade of ageing and highly |  |
|  |  | inefficient gas heating & electrical |  |
|  |  | systems at the main club house. |  |
|  |  | Upgrade and installation of electrical |  |
|  |  | entertainment hardware to make the |  |
|  |  | club house to make it a more inviting |  |
|  |  | friendly place to visit | £9,689 |
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| 11 | Ogmore Vale Bowls Club | Initially working with Wyndham B & G |  |
|  |  | Club and aim to work with local schools. |  |
|  |  | Promoting the game of Bowls, using |  |
|  |  | the sport as an important role in a |  |
|  |  | young person's life. Purchase 12 sets |  |
|  |  | of woods (bowls) suitable for young |  |
|  |  | people. | £2,406 |
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| 12 | Valley Pups | Set up in 2018 to develop football skills |  |
|  |  | for children from 2 - 5 years, keeping |  |
|  |  | them happy, active and healthy. Scott |  |
|  |  | is currently a coach for Wyndham B & G |  |
|  |  | Club working with children up to 16 yrs. |  |
|  |  | It was apparent that younger children |  |
|  |  | had minimal activities. | £4,900 |
|  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Ogmore Vale RFC | A new fire escape to the club house. |  |
|  |  | The old one is over 30 yrs. old and |  |
|  |  | dangerous. The club house is a 3 |  |
|  |  | storey building. | £15,120 |
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| 14 | Ogmore Valley Housebound | 2 new wheel chairs and a bingo |  |
|  |  | machine |  |
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|  |  |  | £365 |
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| 15 | Nantymoel Boys & Girls Club | 50 stackable chairs with a trolley, 10 |  |
|  |  | tables, pc and printer and a dishwasher | £2,885 |
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| 16 | Wyndham Bowls Club | 10 tables and 60 chairs and an |  |
|  |  | intruder alarm |  |
|  |  |  | £1,800 |
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| 17 | Lewistown Athletic Social | This is the only community facility in |  |
|  | Club | Lewistown and Pantyrawel which offers |  |
|  |  | services as a community meeting |  |
|  |  | place. Funding is urgently needed to |  |
|  |  | carry out major repairs to the roof. | £11,955 |
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| 18 | Ogmore Vale OAP | New cooker, heated towel rail and |  |
|  | Welfare Hall | curtains | £318 |
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|  |  |  | £99,333 |

**Appendix 1 – OVCC Funding Criteria**

**Ogmore Valley Community Council –**

**Application for Pant-Y-Wal Extension Wind Farm Funding**

The Pant-Y-Wal Extension Windfarm Community Fund has an allocation of £100,000 p.a. for grants to voluntary and community projects based in the Ogmore Valley. Applicants can apply for a minimum of £200

**What can be funded –** examples of whatgrants will support: -  
Capital items (for example, games, resources, equipment etc)   
Revenue items (for example, trips and entrance fees)  
Sessional worker costs (for example, workshop tutors)  
Repairs and/or refurbishment to a community building  
Start-up costs for new community groups  
Out of school activities  
Voluntary and community group activities  
Community and environmental projects

*This list is not exhaustive, and all applications will be given due consideration by the Council.*

**What will not be funded:**

Retrospective grants;  
Replacing statutory responsibility (for example school curriculum activities, road repairs etc);   
Political campaigns;  
Religious campaigns;  
Things that could bring the reputation of the Council/Funder into disrepute;  
Projects that generate income for personal gain;  
Repayment of loans or debts.

**Who can apply:**

Constituted charities, voluntary and community groups **based** within the boundary of the Ogmore Valley Community Council.

**The Ogmore Valley Community Council requires the following documents/information with the application:**

Constitution;  
Child Protection Policy/Vulnerable Adult Statement;  
Quotes for items required (or please demonstrate where costs have come from).

**NOTE:** If you are unable to provide the above, please apply an interest in the funding so that the Council may assist.

**Funding for projects**:

Any project applications must outline a plan and demonstrate a benefit for the community or outcomes that will derive from it.

**Information to include**;

Evidence of community support,

Area where the project is established/planned

Scope of community access (children, disabilities, elderly etc.)

Organisations must be able to demonstrate that the project will provide open access.

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| Ogmore Valley Community Council – Application for Wind Farm Funding | |
| Name of contact:  Address of Contact:  Email Address:  Name of group: |  |
| Describe your plan/project  Include any photos, plans etc. |  |
| Who will the project benefit?  (Scope of access) |  |
| Additional Information (If required) |  |
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Applications to:

Anne Wilkes Temporary Clerk to Ogmore Valley Community Council:

ogmorevalleyccl2018@gmail.com

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| For Ogmore Valley Community Council Use ONLY | | |
| Does the funding meet the criteria?  Capital items (for example, games, resources, equipment etc)  Revenue items (for example, trips and entrance fees)  Sessional worker costs (for example, workshop tutors)  Repairs and/or refurbishment to a community building  Start-up costs for new community groups  Out of school activities  Voluntary and community group activities  Community and environmental projects |  | Comments: |
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| Does the applicant meet the criteria below?  Constituted charities, voluntary and community groups based within the boundary of the Ogmore Valley Community Council. |  | Comments: |
|  |  |  |
| Are the below documents attached?  Constitution;  Child Protection Policy/Vulnerable Adult Statement;  Quotes for items required (or please demonstrate where costs have come from). |  | Comments |
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| If successful action to arrange dates for availability: |  |  |
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