

Funder's Information Pack

FUNDING ADVICE DAY 2024

Friday 23rd February

10am - 12noon

Pencoed Rugby Club



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A word from Chris, Sarah & Huw...

Through our work across the constituencies, we know that many local groups and organisations have fantastic ideas but often have difficulty finding and accessing the right funding opportunities.

The last twelve months have been very challenging for everyone, and we know that many of you have found fundraising difficult. That's why we have decided to go on to hold our 8th Funding Advice Day. This year we are also being joined by Sarah Murphy the Senedd Member for Bridgend and Porthcawl.

We've got new funders and organisations attending this year, so there is a lot of information and assistance which we are sure you will be able to benefit from.

We'd love to visit your project and offer our support following today's Advice Day. Feel free to get in contact with our offices via the details on this page.

We hope you find the day worthwhile; you can contact the funders directly after the event via the contact details within this information pack.

Best wishes,

Chris Elmore MP | Sarah Murphy MS | Huw Irranca-Davies MS

Working together for Bridgend County Borough



The National Lottery Community Fund is the largest non-statutory community funder in Wales with the community at the heart of our purpose, vision and name. We distribute money raised by the National Lottery to thousands of organisations across Wales where we are privileged to be able to work with the smallest of local groups right up to UK-wide charities, enabling people and communities to bring their ambitions to life.

Groups can apply to us for funding under £20,000, or over £20,001, depending on what they want to do.

Tel: 0300 123 0735

Email: wales@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk

Website: <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk>



Heritage can be anything from the past that you value and want to pass on to future generations. From the archaeology under your feet to the historic parks we love, from precious memories to rare wildlife. **National Lottery Heritage Fund / Cronfa Treftadaeth y Loteri Genedlaethol** believe that understanding, valuing and sharing heritage brings people together, inspires pride in communities and boosts investment in local economies.

Tel: 0292 034 3413

Email: wales@heritagefund.org.uk

Website: www.heritagefund.org.uk



The Arts Council of Wales is the official body that funds and develops the arts in Wales. The funding we distribute comes from both the **Welsh Government** and **The National Lottery**. Most of our funding goes to creative professionals or organisations (including community based organisations) to carry out projects or programmes of art related work across Wales. Come and have a chat with us and see how we might be able to help you!

Tel: 03301 242 733

Email: grants@arts.wales

Website: www.arts.wales



Sport Council Wales run two schemes

The **Be Active Wales Fund** offers grants from £300 to £50,000 for projects in Wales that intend to do at least one of the following: reduce inequality, create long-term sustainability, introduce new or different ways of operating. For example, funding could be used to: upskill volunteers where clubs have gaps in skills or experience; buy equipment that allows more people to take part in sport; develop new or different ways to deliver physical activity; reach people currently under-represented in sport and physical activity.

A Place For Sport – Crowdfunder Sport Wales has partnered with Crowdfunder to create a match funding grant to raise money for facility improvements. The scheme is for not-for-profit clubs and community groups looking to raise money for 'off-field' improvements. This could be a club house, changing rooms, car park or even fencing.

Tel: 0300 300 3102

Email: grant.applications@sport.wales

Website: www.sport.wales/grants-and-funding



Tesco Community Grants is managed by [Groundwork](#)

Tesco Community Grants helps to fund thousands of local projects across the country. Since 2016 the scheme has supported over 40,000 community groups with more than £90 million in grants.

Tesco Community Grants is open to charities and community organisations to apply for a grant of up to £1,500. Every three months, three local good causes are selected to be in the blue token customer vote in Tesco stores throughout the UK.

Tel: Ian Dennis on 07909 168 121

Email: ian.dennis@groundwork.org.uk



Bridgend Association of Voluntary Organisations (BAVO) provides funding and support services to help voluntary, charitable and community groups wade through the complexities of funding and fundraising. Drawing upon extensive experience, BAVO provides a free service to help you find the funding sources appropriate to your group's activities.

Tel: 01656 810 400 **Email:** bavo@bavo.org.uk **Website:** www.bavo.org.uk



Bridgend Economic Development.

We have the knowledge and experience to help those who are planning to set up or expand a business in Bridgend County Borough.

We have 3 business grants available -

The Business Development Grant and **Business Feasibility Grant** will support Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) in Bridgend County Borough (operating turnover of 3 years or more) to diversify, decarbonise and grow which will contribute to creating a vibrant and strong local economy.

Bridgend Business Start Up Fund provides grants of between £250 and £4,000 to new start-ups and businesses within the first 3 years of trading.

<https://www.bridgend.gov.uk/business/business-support-and-advice/>



Employability Bridgend Established in 2018, we are a programme committed to helping Bridgend County Borough become a more prosperous place to live and work by supporting local people to overcome employment issues. This includes providing free training and qualifications, supported job search and CV development including volunteering placements as well as signposting to other support agencies as appropriate. We are a community-based service using local venues including libraries, leisure centres, memorial halls, and other public spaces.

Tel: 01656813517

Email: employability@bridgend.gov.uk

Website: www.bridgend.gov.uk/residents/benefits-and-support/employability-bridgend



The Welsh Water is a not-for-profit company, our customers are at the heart of everything we do. The Welsh Water Community Fund is a chance for communities to boost fundraising efforts for good causes in their area. Community groups and charities can apply for a grants of £5,000 towards their project.

Email: communityfund@dwrcymru.com

Website: www.dwrcymru.com/communityfund



The Bridgend County Borough Council Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Team administers the Council's CAT Fund which assists community groups to develop and enhance assets, subject to self-management, under the CAT programme so that they become sustainable and can be safeguarded for future generations. The Team also assists in the administration of the Council's Town and Community Council Capital grant scheme.

Tel: 07487 769 620

Email: Guy.Smith@bridgend.gov.uk

Website: <https://www.bridgend.gov.uk/business/community-asset-transfer>



The **Coalfields Community Grant Programme** has invested over £20 million in community and voluntary sector projects since 1999, targeting communities most in need. We provide grants (from £500 – £7,000 revenue or capital) to community organisations within, or benefit people from eligible coalfield areas in RCT and Bridgend.

A Wales Grant Assessment Panel meets quarterly for our main grant programme. In addition, we have Fast Track Funding up to £2,000 for energy efficiency or health and safety improvements for community facilities and our Coalfields Cymru Kit Grant which aims to encourage more young people (13 – 19) from Welsh Coalfield communities to play sport. We fund sports kit to maximum value of £750.

Tel: 01443 404 455

Email: wales@coalfields-regen.org

Website: www.coalfields-regen.org.uk



The **Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust's** income is generated through a levy on every ticket purchased for public events at the Stadium.

The Trust is an independent all Wales Charitable Foundation all funds distributed by the Trust are spent in Wales. Projects must be Arts, Community, Environment or Sports based and our aims are to aims to improve the quality of life of people who live and work in Wales.

Tel: 029 20 022 143

Email: info@milleniumstadiumtrust.org.uk



The Community Feasibility Fund continues the success of the Reach programme and is funded by the UK Government Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) for Communities and Place. It is a funding support programme specifically for community feasibility studies. A feasibility study researches and gathers all the information needed to consider whether a project idea will work. It will establish what the project involves, how much it will cost and if it is sustainable. The study can then be used to support larger funding bids for other funders. If you have a project in mind that benefits the communities of Bridgend County, come and tell us all about it.

Tel: 01656 815 080 **Email:** reach@bridgend.gov.uk

Website: www.facebook.com/bridgendreach



Local Places for Nature is back #BacktoNature

Apply for a FREE garden pack today!

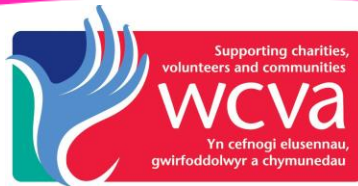
Transform an unloved area into a garden that will benefit both nature and your community. Each free package includes native plants, tools and materials to make your garden beautiful. Keep Wales Tidy will handle all of the ordering and deliveries, and our project officers will turn up to provide support on the ground to help you create your new nature space.

We have a number of different packages available and further information can be found on our website.

Website: [Local Places for Nature - Keep Wales Tidy](#)

Email: Nature@keepwalestidy.cymru

Other Funders who could help...



The **Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA)** is the national membership organisation for the third sector in Wales. Our vision is for a future where the third sector and volunteering thrive across Wales, improving wellbeing for all. Our mission is to be a catalyst for positive change by connecting, enabling and influencing. Working with a range of national specialist agencies, county voluntary councils and other development agencies, to provide a support structure for the third sector in Wales.

Tel: 0300 111 0124 **Email:** help@wcva.org.uk **Website:** www.wcva.org.uk



GWR are delighted to announce we will soon be inviting bids to our Customer and Community Improvement Fund for the financial year 2024/25.

The fund will open to bids on Monday 26 February 2024 and close to bids at 23:59 on Monday 25 March 2024.

[Community investment | Great Western Railway \(gwr.com\)](#)

Other Funders who could help...



Since 1999, we have awarded over £40m in grants to grassroots community groups and charities to strengthen communities across Wales. We work with our generous supporters to reach the people most in need and help to create equality and opportunity in Welsh communities.

Website: <https://communityfoundationwales.org.uk/>