

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.
Officer report to Portfolio Holder
County Councillor Mr W Jones
10th June 2011

REPORT AUTHOR:	Community Regeneration Manager
SUBJECT:	Community Regeneration and Development Fund Annual Partnership and Project Revenue grant applications
REPORT FOR:	Decision

This report details the applications that have been received for the second round of Community Regeneration and Development Fund grant support for the benefit of Community Groups and Voluntary Organisations.

Proposal

On the 12th April 2011, following a review of the grant funding the Third Sector, Board approved the establishment of the Community Regeneration and Development Fund. A summary of the requests is shown in the following tables for ease of reference to the full contents of the report:

Capital awards (See Appendix 1)

There is £230,000 for allocation in the 2011/12 financial year, the recommendations detailed in the report amount to £65,535. If all recommendations are approved this will leave £164,465 for allocation.

Organisation	Request	Recommendation
Bleddfa Trust	£15,000	£15,000
Guilsfield Community Centre	£5,535	£5,535
Llanrhaedr Y M Public Hall	£15,000	£15,000
St Johns Ambulance in Wales – Rhayader Division	£15,000	£15,000
Wyeside Arts Centre	£15,000	£15,000
Total recommendations	£65,535	£65,535

Annual Partnership awards (see appendix 2)

There is £334,670 for allocation in the 2011/12 financial year and £258,510 was allocated in the first round of awards, the recommendations detailed in the report amount to £55,500. If all recommendations are approved this will leave £20,660 for allocation.

Organisation	Request	Recommendation
Play Radnor	£14,500	£12,000
Powys Sports Development Services	£43,000	£43,000

Total recommendations	£57,500	£55,500
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Project Revenue awards (see appendix 3)

There is £113,410 for allocation in the 2011/12 financial year and £34,490 was allocated in the first round of awards, the recommendations detailed in the report amount to £27,835. If all recommendations are approved this will leave £51,085 for allocation

Organisation	Request	Recommendation
The Andrew Logan Museum of Sculpture (ALMoS)	£5,000	£5,000
Brecon Bowling Club	£750	£750
Cantorian Llandrindod	£3,500	£3,500
The Get Going Gang	£3,000	£3,000
Montgomeryshire Youth Theatre	£2,645	£2,645
TASC	£3,400	£3,400
Ystradgynlais Miners Welfare & Community Hall	£9,540	£9,540
Total recommendations	£27,835	£27,835

Corporate Improvement Plan

Providing financial assistance is in accordance with one of the key priorities of the Corporate Improvement Plan, namely to enhance Social and Economic Development within the Authority's area.

Each application is aligned to at least one of the four main corporate aims.

Options Considered/Available

Not applicable

Preferred Choice and Reasons

As outlined in the report, the preferred choices are the recommendations detailed at Appendices 1, 2 & 3

Sustainability and Environmental Issues/Equalities/Other Policies

Comments of Portfolio Holder

The financial support provided through the Funds to Community and Voluntary Organisations is one the key factors in maintaining and sustaining our local communities in Powys

Comments of Local Member(s)

Not applicable

Other Consultations Undertaken

Consultation has been undertaken with Officers of the Authority with specialist knowledge.

Recommendation:	Reason for Recommendation:
To approve individual awards listed Appendices 1, 2 & 3.	In line with current criteria as outlined in the Guide to Grants for Community Groups and Voluntary Organisations (dated 2005).

Relevant Policy	Guide to Grants for Community Groups and Voluntary Organisations		
Person(s) To Action Decision:	Powys Community Regeneration Manager Powys Community Strategy		
Date By When Decision To Be Actioned:			
(ies):			
Within Policy:	Yes	Within Budget:	Yes

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Relevant Portfolio Member(s):	Cllr Wynne Jones
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Relevant Local Member(s):	All Powys Members where applicable
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Background Papers used to prepare Report:

Appendix 1 – Capital Application Assessments

Organisation	CG4000 Bleddfa Trust
Project meets Annual Partnership selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	To continue offering a programme of events and exhibitions of interest and inspiration to the community, whilst also providing a peaceful and welcoming space for others to hire who wish to hold meetings or run workshops of their own.
<p>Need for the project</p> <p>To upgrade Hall Barn facilities using a renewable heating system for the long-term benefit of both the community and the environment. Further improvement of facilities is planned with an extension to the Hall Barn and the construction of craft workshops and the extra capacity has been included in the boiler specification to heat the extension. The increasing cost of the present oil fired heating system at the Old School building will also be reviewed with a view to reducing the carbon footprint and improving its sustainability</p>	
<p>Links to other regeneration initiatives</p> <p>The Trust actively pursue ways in which the Trusts activities can participate in the rural development of Mid Powys. The Centre has for many years held an annual circular walk at the end of May. As Bleddfa is set in an area of outstanding natural beauty with direct access to the Radnor hills and forest the Trust are currently working with the Rural Development Plan, Leaping Styles Walking Project Officer to market the natural resources available and increase the Centre's involvement or participation.</p>	
<p>Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:</p> <p>Adult Living / Learning in the Community</p> <p>The Trust is committed to providing opportunities for local adults to learn and study creative subjects as close to where they live as possible, as well as offering facilities to groups within the local and wider community, initiating learning projects.</p> <p>Regeneration</p> <p>In a small village in a rural location, the Centre is an important part of keeping the local and wider community creatively active and committed, and helps to re-vitalise life within the local village and enhance the visitor experience to Powys. The Bleddfa Centre is often used by participants from outside Powys, bringing a wider economic benefit to Powys.</p> <p>Climate Change</p> <p>The heating system is designed to use a fuel from sustainable sources and to reduce the carbon footprint of the Centre's energy use overall.</p>	
<p>Value for money:</p> <p>These measurable benefits range from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The achievement of partner organisation's aims and objectives, cultural benefits from participatory art activities and public art works in the community. • Support organisations with front line specialised participatory arts based delivery, which is positively targeted in support for PCC community regeneration initiatives and emerging Arts Strategy. • work effectively with hard to reach group inclusively of the activities that are offered to hard to reach groups • Generating additional funding around core project portfolio. 	
Total Activity / Project Cost	
Total project cost	£45,128.85
Amount Requested from CRDF	£15,000
Grant rate	33%

Overall Assessment

The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £15,000.

As well as the beneficial effect to those attending events, the Hall Barn will be increasingly available for hire by the local community.

Organisation	Guilsfield Community Centre
Project meets Annual Partnership selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	The Community Centre in Guilsfield is based on the school site and is well used by a number of local groups. Guilsfield Community Centre and Mid Wales Housing have worked together to provide new low cost housing and additional sporting and leisure opportunities for all ages and abilities in the community. These facilities include a new football pitch, a floodlit all weather area that has been completed and the proposed wheelchair accessible changing facilities and toilets plus an external equipment store. The current application is towards funding for a new lighting system
Need for the project	
To provide a new lighting system for the benefit of all stage users, the previous antiquated stage equipment was removed as it had become a significant health and safety risk.	
Links to other regeneration initiatives	
The Community Centre Management committee has an ongoing refurbishment and upgrading programme, including this application for a new lighting and sound gantry, it is envisaged that these improvements will increase booking and revenue funding for the continued sustainability of the Community Centre.	
Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:	
Adult Living The new lighting system will improve the quality of performances for both audiences and participants. It will also increase accessibility for the visually impaired.	
Learning in the Community The project will provide improved facilities for drama and music.	
Climate Change A more efficient electrical system will support climate change initiatives.	
Value for money: The Amateur Dramatic Society is the highest value user of the hall, if they move to another base, and then the income of the Community Centre will fall significantly. The Amateur Dramatic Society has also contributed significantly to the match funding element of the project.	
Total Activity / Project Cost	£10,870
Total Grant Requested	£5,535
Grant Award	50%
Overall Assessment	
The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £5,535	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project will maintain a key community asset. • Approximately 1,500 will attend stage events during the next year • Ticket numbers will be recorded and submitted to the Authority. 	

Organisation	Llanrhaedr Y M Public Hall
Project meets Annual Partnership selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	<p>The aim of Public Hall Charity is to provide and maintain a public hall, reading room, club and village institute for the use and benefit of the resident of Llanrhaeadr and surrounding parishes. There are currently 21 community groups using the hall plus regular community social and fundraising events. Following the redevelopment and our consultation exercise we expect to increase this by a further 18 groups within the first 3 years to 39 groups together with additional community events organised by individuals. In addition the "active" management programme will lead to a very significant increase in events, courses, education and training being delivered in the new Hall</p> <p>The rebuilding of the hall will remove the physical barriers to participation and enable the whole community to make use of the facility.</p>
<p>Need for the project</p> <p>A new Hall on the existing site will provide the opportunity to construct a Hall that is fully compliant with current building regulation standards, both in terms of thermal performance and access for the disabled and which will be attractive to use and efficient to run.</p> <p>The project proposes demolition of the existing hall and the erection of a new hall on the existing footprint with:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a circulation/access lobby with reception desk, • a large main hall that meets the size requirements of the Tanat Theatre, Eisteddfod and other large groups whilst sub-dividable by moveable acoustic partitions to meet the needs of smaller community organisations with smaller halls, • a small meeting room including a mini business centre, • a recreational "snooker" room accessible independently to meet an identifiable need, • a larger accessible kitchen and separate bar area, and • proper toilet amenities including disabled provision • high levels of energy efficiency, and • most importantly, the whole of the new Hall is on a single level with easy access both internally and externally for people with disabilities. <p>Significant improvements to energy efficiency will be achieved by the installation of double glazed windows and doors, insulation to ceiling and walls in excess of current standards, energy efficient heating and lighting systems and rainwater recycling as well as reducing the total volume of the Hall from 3197m³ in the existing building to 1132m³ in the new Hall whilst maintaining the same ground floor area.</p>	
<p>Links to other regeneration initiatives</p> <p>The rebuilding of the Hall fits with the following policies and strategies:</p> <p>European Objective 2, Priority 2, Measure 2: Building Rural Networks</p> <p>This measure seeks to stem the decline in key services available to many rural communities which reduces their viability....In particular the Powys Partnership wishes to encourage projects which (among other objectives):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the development of integrated service delivery facilities i.e. one stop shops for local services, • Support schemes which secure affordable local access to broadband networks facilities and services • Promote the efficient use of energy..... • Development of revenue generating community owned assets, • Encourage cooperation between social enterprises and the private sector and enhance appropriate 	

service delivery (the community post office/shop)

UK Coalition Government Policy

The Conservative/Liberal Democrat Coalition Government has made it clear that it wishes to empower communities and to see a shift from the public sector to the voluntary sector in providing services to local communities. It also wishes to see enhanced decision-making at local level as part of its policy for a 'Big Society'.

Welsh Assembly Government Policy - The Third (Voluntary) Sector

The Welsh Assembly Government is seeking an expansion of voluntary sector provision in health care and in services for young people, older people and the whole community. The Assembly's strategy and action plan (The Third Dimension) for supporting and working with the third sector in Wales highlighted three 'spheres of interest', all of particular relevance to the proposals for the new Public Hall:

- **Stronger Communities:** The way most people make a voluntary contribution to the vibrancy and regeneration of their communities, provide care and help to build people's confidence and skills.
- **Better Policy:** The knowledge and expertise the sector offers through its front-line experience to help shape policies, procedures.
- **Better Public Services:** The innovative and transforming role the sector can play in making public services reach more people and become more sensitive to their needs.

Welsh Language and Culture

According to Welsh Assembly data, 20.5% of the total population of Wales is able to speak Welsh. For Llanrhaeadr, it is 62%. Notwithstanding that positive comparator, there is a real need to support the development of the language and an understanding of, and participation in, the culture of Wales. The Assembly's web pages for 'Welsh in the Community' express concerns and challenges for communities within the overall context of a strong commitment by the Assembly to measures to safeguard the Welsh language in order to 'help secure viable and sustainable futures' for communities in Wales.

Beyond the Tanat Valley Community

The Assembly's strategy and action for the third sector (referred to above) includes a commitment to using the knowledge and expertise the third sector offers through its front-line experience to help shape policies, procedures, etc. The Project/Business Plan focuses on meeting the needs of the Tanat Valley community and those others for whom Llanrhaeadr is an accessible or focal point. Having said that, this plan is far from inward-looking. The new hall provides opportunities for using our future front-line experience to influence and help shape policy and procedures and to develop and share good practice more widely, regionally and nationally across Wales.

Rural Development Plan for Wales 2007 – 2013 (Axes 3 and 4) - Powys Local Development Strategy

The vision of the Strategy is that: - "Mid Wales will be a place of opportunity, with a prosperous rural economy in a sustainable countryside and communities that offer truly diverse opportunities...."

Powys Community Strategy has the aim of creating an inclusive society with opportunities for all, vibrant and sustainable communities, pride in Powys communities and communities that have knowledge of and access to the services they need among others.

Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:

Adult Living

The new Hall will provide a modern community facility that is warm and comfortable, that fully complies with all DDA requirements and that will be attractive to use. Additional activities and groups will take place in the new Hall targeted to increase community cohesion and reduce social isolation

Learning in the Community

20+ Learning and skills courses are proposed for the new Hall by Coleg Powys. Details are included in Question 20. In addition the Hall proposes to run Welsh language, culture and heritage courses

Regeneration

The new Hall will be an important focus for community regeneration in Llanrhaeadr YM and the Tanat Valley. The skills courses will enhance the skills in the community to enable people to enter the workforce

Climate Change

The new Hall will be constructed with very high standards of insulation, energy efficient heating and lighting and with rain water recycling etc. It will reduce the existing halls carbon footprint and will provide a good example of a community building addressing climate change issues. Its location in the centre of the village will mean that many people can access it on foot and therefore reduce car usage.

Value for money:

The Committee carried out a detailed Architectural (and financial) Options Appraisal on way forward to address the wide ranging problems facing the existing hall (copy attached as a separate document). This concluded that the rebuilding of the hall on the existing footprint provided the best Value for Money. Although this option was marginally more expensive (about £30,000) than repair and re-layout of the existing building it provided much better long term value as the final building would be a new construction built to the highest standards with a long lifespan whereas the other options still left a poor standard shell of the existing building which would limit their life spans. These other options were cases of "throwing good money after bad".

The reason why the whole hall can be rebuilt for only £30,000 more is because the repair and re-layout of the existing building is largely standard rated (20%) for VAT whereas the new construction is zero rated as a new charitable village hall. The rebuild option saves about £100,000 of VAT cost that would be incurred on the other options.

The Committee will ensure value for money during the tendering process. The scheme will go out to competitive tender to a selected list and the lowest correct tender accepted

Total Activity / Project Cost	£593,558
Total Grant Requested	£15,000
Grant Award	2.53%

Overall Assessment

The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £15,000

Ensure that community meeting facilities of appropriate size remains in Llanrhaeadr and the Tanat valley for the foreseeable future with:-

- A large Hall to meet the needs of large community groups and social, educational and training activities in the Tanat valley sub-dividable by acoustic partitions to provide additional "smaller" meeting space to meet the needs of smaller community meetings/groups with full computing infrastructure to encourage/facilitate a growth in smaller community groups/activities and educational/training opportunities.
- A meeting room/ mini Business centre
- A building fully accessible to all with improved access, toilets, kitchen etc. meeting full DDA standards.
- A building that is warm and comfortable through improved energy efficiency, improving the attractiveness of the building and encouraging more community use, reducing social isolation and improving community relationships and cohesion.
- Ensuring the retention of this essential community facility in the centre of village reducing travelling and social isolation.
- Encourage more people to be involved in the management of the village hall

Organisation	St Johns Ambulance in Wales – Rhayader Division
Project meets Annual Partnership selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	The St Johns Ambulance in Wales – Rhayader Division receives no government or lottery funding and all income received is generated through donations, sponsorship, fundraising events or the minimum expenses they charge for first aid cover at the many social and sporting events throughout Powys and surrounding counties. The project is to provide a first aid and emergency service to all in the local community, no matter how rural through the replacement of the aged 4 x 4 ambulance, which has developed serious mechanical faults, causing it to become less reliable, potentially putting lives at risk.
Need for the project The existing aging 4 x 4 within the Division needs to be replaced within 2011. Since its purchase the current vehicle has attended numerous events and emergency 999 calls, reaching properties and locations that would be impossible for regular NHS ambulances to get to.	
Links to other regeneration initiatives The project is integral to the St Johns Ambulance in Wales – Rhayader Division being able to continue working in partnership with the Ambulance service within Powys.	
Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan: Adult Living The Organisation support all those in the Community, recently assisting the Elderly trapped in their homes during the Welshpool floods Learning in the Community The Organisation provide first aid courses for local community groups and provide individual life saving first aid skills Regeneration Climate Change The CO2 emissions of the new vehicle will be less that the current vehicle.	
Value for money: Benchmarked against other Landover builds of similar specification, the ambulance demonstrates value for money	
Total Activity / Project Cost	£49,000
Total Grant Requested	£15,000
Grant Award	30.6%
Overall Assessment The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture’s delegated approval of the grant award of £15,000. A new vehicle that is more reliable and better equipped. Due to nature of the Organisation’s work and patient confidentiality, following the purchase of the vehicle it is impossible to monitor any further activity.	

Organisation	Wyeside Arts Centre
Project meets Annual Partnership selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	Wyeside Arts Centre has been a community venue for over 30 years, operating as a theatre, cinema and arts gallery. It is also an important centre where school, youth and other community groups can develop and present their creativity via workshops and performances. Wyeside's varied activities reflect its fundamental commitment to presenting an arts and entertainment programme of real quality and breadth, as well as a diverse range of creative opportunities enabling people of all ages and abilities from all walks of life to participate
<p>Need for the project</p> <p>The Centre is developing a refurbishment and restructuring programme, which will make the theatre space more flexible, increase participation opportunities and audience facilities for its users, and will secure its future sustainability for the next generation.</p> <p>With this project, Wyeside aims to build on its fine history, the excellence of its mission, the ambience created by its unique auditorium (which so many visiting artists have praised), the quality and experience of its staff and the considerable amount of support it enjoys from national and local authority funders, hard-working Board members and its very active Friends organisation who have just raised funding for work to the exterior of the building – not forgetting the huge amount of 'man-in-the-street' backing it enjoys – to ensure that it continues being a major element in the strength of its town and region, and a significant factor in the quality-of-life facilities available to the people of mid-Wales.</p>	
<p>Links to other regeneration initiatives</p> <p>The project will provide an enhanced and more flexible facility for the local community, and an increased economic benefit in terms of it's attraction to visitors.</p>	
<p>Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:</p> <p>Adult Living / Learning in the Community / Regeneration</p> <p>The Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2008 records Powys as being among the very worst in terms of it's population's access to facilities. Powys County Council's public consultation on services, places leisure as significantly higher in priority than the national average, and its support of services is underpinned by understanding of leisure as a way of bringing businesses and highly skilled professionals into the area.</p> <p>This project will :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create or refurbish facilities available to the community as a whole, or adapting them to ensure equal access to disabled people as required under the Disability Discrimination Act 1995. • Improve the built or natural environment for local people. • Improve the well-being of the community by encouraging active and healthy life styles. • Provide facilities or activities, which reduce poverty, inequality, discrimination and social disadvantage. • Support the local people of Powys in improving their quality of life • Encourage partnership working within the local community • Represent value for money • Show commitment to equality of opportunities <p>Climate Change</p> <p>Reduce carbon foot-print, by providing a quality resource to local people. Project will improve insulation properties - new curtains, seating.</p>	
<p>Value for money:</p> <p>This project ensures value for money in terms of the balance between resources going into the project and the beneficial outputs. The flexibility this development allows will increase community use by 50%. Increase audience figures of around 20% (6,500 people), which is not possible in the present configuration. Based on</p>	

previous audience figures and growth projections for the redevelopment, it is anticipated that the project will benefit in excess of 30,000 audience members and community project participants over the following 5 years. The project will bring significantly increased economic value to the area such as tourism / visitors (economic benefits). Essentially the project will ensure the future sustainability of Wyeside for future generations

Total Activity / Project Cost	£209,005 (inc. VAT)
Total Grant Requested	£30,000
Grant Award	£15,000 – 7.1 %

Overall Assessment

The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £15,000.

- The project will bring increased economic benefits to the area in terms of tourism and visitors.
- The project has a clear regeneration impact for the Community complementing other regeneration work being undertaken in the area. It enhances, and does not duplicate what is already being done or what is already available.
- The redevelopment is central to plans to increase creative community activity, and audience numbers for live professional shows.
- Based on previous audience figures and growth projections for the redevelopment, it is anticipated that the project will benefit over 30,000 audience members and community project participants over the following 5 years.

Appendix 2- Annual Partnership Applications and Assessments

Organisation	Play Radnor
Project meets Annual Partnership selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide a local Play Network which acts as an umbrella group to share information, experience, ideas, resources and signposting to relevant agencies, for all organisations and individuals with an interest in play. • To identify and assist in providing play requirements in terms of infrastructure, opportunities, training and resources. • To promote the ethos of play and promote play opportunities, training and resources to relevant audiences. • To provide a play resource library.
<p>Need for the project</p> <p>The toy library in Radnorshire has been in existence since 1992 and continues to be as popular as ever, with 26 new family members joining last year (in addition to existing members), and many new groups and events availing of our resources.</p> <p>The toy library addresses needs of families and groups who are:</p> <p>geographically isolated socially isolated economically challenged in need of support by other agencies</p> <p>The play needs of all Powys, were identified through the “audit of play needs / priorities for 2011” consultation carried out by the Play in Powys Infrastructure team during 2010, which showed there was a 19% need for a play resource library out of all the consultations carried out throughout Powys. A toy library has since been identified as a Priority One in the Powys Play Strategy.</p> <p>In the 2008 Powys Children and Young Peoples Partnership Business Plan, the planning priorities state the following: “Implement the Powys Play Strategy so to ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a more appropriate range of community-based play provision is available - enhanced play provision within schools (for in-school and out of school purposes) - increased play provision as part of housing and community developments - better information on play opportunities is provided - a dedicated play service is available to support play opportunities and development - Integrated play development structure and services” <p>The 'What have we got to play with?' Executive Summary conducted by National Association of Toy and Leisure Libraries (NATLL) and Play Matters in Wales (2010) concludes 'that toy libraries are about 'more than just toys' and that they help 'provide the fuel for play', that types of play are enriched by having a range of play materials available, and that well chosen good quality toys and play materials is important'.</p>	
<p>Links to other regeneration initiatives</p> <p>The activities support the Powys Change Plan as they encourage children and young people to grow up as active citizens, and achieve the highest possible standard of well-being. The Organisation state after their basic needs of food, shelter and security are met, play has a significant effect on a child's life. Children learn through play and use play to find their place in society. By experiencing quality and sociable play opportunities they will grow up to be happy well rounded citizens.</p> <p>The Toy Library reduces carbon emissions by providing toys for hire thus reducing the need for parents to buy new toys all the time and by delivering locally it reduces the need for many cars to drive into a central point. Our activities often use recycled material. All the activities try to represent the local communities' language and culture as well as promoting respect for difference</p>	

Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:

Adult Living

Learning in the Community

The Organisation provide a wide-range of resources, both play and educational. We work closely with schools and other childcare settings to ensure that they get the resources related to the theme they are working on

Regeneration

Climate Change

The Organisation has recently purchased a new van, which is much more efficient, emits less emissions, and is economical and are now based in an energy efficient building, with motion-sensored lights, rainwater toilet system

Value for money:

Play Radnor annually strives to reduce its running costs and improve income, in order to provide value for money. Successfully doing this for the last two years and the Organisation projects another significant drop in running costs with the move to Ysgol Trefonnen, due to sharing of resources with organisations with an interest in play.

Total Activity / Project Cost	£29,600
Total Grant Requested	£14,500
Grant Award	£12,000 - 40%

Overall Assessment

The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £12,000.

- A value-for-money play resource library which is accessible to everyone in Powys through the base at Ysgol Trefonnen, which is open Monday-Friday 9am – 5.30pm (hours increased from previous years) and specifically to Radnorshire through the mobile service.
- To actively promote the service through a website, flyers, press releases, special events and weekly Stay & Play sessions.
- The toy library will be monitored by:
 - the number of hires during the year
 - the number of groups and individuals use the service each year
 - the number of new members recruited each year
 - the amount of craft materials sold
 - the reduction in running costs compared to previous years
 - an increase in revenue compared to previous years

Organisation	Powys Sports Development Services						
Project meets Annual Partnership selection criteria?	Yes						
Aims and objectives of the project	<p>Powys Sports Development Unit has three full time Development Officers and a number of full and part-time sport specific Officers including Dragon Sports Officers. Powys Sports Development Unit plays an important role in increasing opportunities, raising standards and supporting the range of sports programmes in schools, clubs and youth organisations</p> <p>With this request financial assistance is being sought to continue the range of sports involved and to include partnerships with the Welsh Hockey Union, the Welsh Netball Association the Football Association of Wales, the Welsh Rugby Union and the Cricket Board of Wales</p>						
Need for the project	<p>Through this grass roots approach, young people countywide will benefit from the proposed development through workshop and coaching sessions and to generally increase participation in these sports activities. The five governing bodies will also be matching funding each of these sports.</p>						
Links to other regeneration initiatives	<p>Powys County Council has agreements; action plans and performance indicators in place each of the sports governing bodies to achieve particular targets across Powys. Regular meetings/appraisals are held to discuss progress and further development of various sports. The amount of contribution for the sport specific Sports Development Officers varies, this is due to the varying contract/agreement with the governing bodies. There is a mixture of part-time staff employed, subject to funding available to the relevant governing body and match funding by Powys County Council</p>						
Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:							
Adult Living	<p>Provision of information advice and assistance for new or existing sports clubs / extra curricular school sports clubs in terms of sports development e.g. accessing grant aid, developing new activities and improving links.</p>						
Learning in the Community	<p>To ensure that a planned programme of Physical Activity and Sports Development activities is provided, which maximise the opportunities for quality sports participation for people of all ages and abilities (particularly juniors) within the local community</p>						
Regeneration	<p>information on a whole range of Initiatives and Programmes designed to support local sports clubs and promote quality sports participation</p>						
Climate Change							
Value for money:	Meets the Making the Connections agenda of partnership working and making the best use of our resources						
Total Activity / Project Cost	£104,000						
Total Grant Requested	£43,000						
Grant Award	41.1 %						
Overall Assessment							
	<p>The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £43,000.</p> <p>The activities will be monitored through performance indicators on all organised activities and the funding will be allocated as follows:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Hockey / Netball</td> <td>£15,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Football</td> <td>£7,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rugby</td> <td>£14,000</td> </tr> </table>	Hockey / Netball	£15,000	Football	£7,000	Rugby	£14,000
Hockey / Netball	£15,000						
Football	£7,000						
Rugby	£14,000						

Cricket	£7,000
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Appendix 3 – Project Revenue Application Assessments

Organisation	The Andrew Logan Museum of Sculpture (ALMoS)
Project meets Project Revenue selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	The Andrew Logan Museum of Sculpture Limited Trust was formed in August 1987 as a Charitable Trust to display to the public the works of the Sculptor Andrew Logan. This year, on the 20 th anniversary of the official opening of the Museum in 1991, The Organisation would like to structure this first of proposed annual Festivals with different themes, to be based around self expression and transformation, inspired by the work and collections contained within the Museum, including the memorabilia from twelve Alternative Miss World contests, held irregularly since 1972.
<p>Need for the project</p> <p>The Organisation have been successful in securing an Arts Council of Wales grant for two series of “Big Buzz” workshops and part of the Festival and propose three-stranded approach to engaging with and inspiring the local community based around the screening of a 90-minute documentary film “The British Guide to Showing Off” based on the life and work of Andrew Logan and the Alternative Miss World contest, using historic footage, assembled over six years. This film has been completed by award winning Film-maker Jes Benstock, and currently is being submitted for competition in international Film Festivals</p> <p>The first series of workshops will be for two schools, Ysgol Cedewain and Welshpool High School and children on holiday during the summer. The second series, in the autumn, will be for several more local schools and older and senior people. ACW have included for part funding of the first Festival, over the August Bank Holiday weekend, which includes creative workshops.</p> <p>Coleg Powys Institute for Further Education are keen to give vocational experience to their students and staff of Fashion Design, Hair & Beauty, Art & Design and Catering and Hospitality and will help stage the Festival on the day.</p> <p>Following discussions with Film Agency for Wales and subject to the terms of the film’s Distribution Agreement we believe that the film will be shown through the Wales Special Film Exhibitor’s Group, WSFEG, of thirteen Independent Cinemas in Wales, which will develop a new audience and further the appreciation and status of the Museum within Wales.</p>	
<p>Links to other regeneration initiatives</p> <p>The seed funding of the Festival will help develop the sustainability of the village and immediate surrounding area, which resonates with Powys’s Regeneration Strategy.</p>	
<p>Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:</p> <p>Adult Living</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved well-being through creative workshops • Involvement through inter-generational activities • Encourage participation in active recreation • Bring glamour to peoples lives • Encourage appreciation of the beautiful rural setting • Empower people leading independent active lives within the community <p>Learning in the Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage a flying start through creativity • Stimulate well-being • Support vocational work experience • Provide modeling experience • Encourage active citizenship <p>Regeneration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support local businesses • Encourage tourism within Wales and from abroad 	

- Provide employment
- Encourage the community to flourish

Climate Change

- Encourage recycling and re-use of materials
- Contribute to climate change mitigation by being based in the village

Value for money:

With seed funding support from CRDF the Organisation hopes that the annual Festivals and workshops in Berriew will blossom in future years and add significantly to the sustainability of the Museum and thus enhance local tourism, the local economy and the perception of Powys

Total Activity / Project Cost	£32,720
Total Grant Requested	£5,000
Grant Award	15.6 %

Overall Assessment

The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle as a baseline, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture’s delegated approval of the grant award of £5,000.

The outputs will be measurable in terms of:

- the number of people attending,
- the bed spaces occupied,
- the number of casual jobs created in an area of low income,
- the experience given to local artists,
- the involvement of local people from the community,
- the vocational experience gained by students and staff from Coleg Powys.

Organisation	Brecon Bowling Club
Project meets Project Revenue selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	To provide the Community with the opportunity to play bowls, enter competitions, make new friends and socialise together, and to help people maintain a healthier lifestyle, including the provision of facilities for disabled persons. To encourage younger people through the schools to have the opportunity of a new activity
Need for the project To continue with the running of the Danny Musto Memorial Cup this is a popular event in the Welsh Bowling Calendar and is held every year in June. The event is advertised through out Wales via the Welsh Bowling Association Handbook	
Links to other regeneration initiatives N/a	
Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan: Adult Living Helps to maintain a healthier lifestyle and the Membership is open to all the community without discrimination on the grounds of ethnicity nationality, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, sex, age, or disability. Learning in the Community There are several qualified coaches available at the Club to train new members and to help improve the skill of existing members. Regeneration The local schools also attend for one morning a week in June over a 6 week period to try out their bowling skills under instruction which gives them an insight into the game and possibly some will become future bowlers at the Club. Climate Change	
Value for money: The event is a major part of the profile of the Club	
Total Activity / Project Cost	£1,355
Total Grant Requested	£750
Grant Award	An award of £677(50%) as a guarantee against genuine financial loss
Overall Assessment The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £677 as a guarantee against genuine financial loss. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote bowling and encourage new members to participate 	

Organisation	Cantorion Llandrindod
Project meets Project Revenue selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The study and practice of Choral music in order to foster public knowledge and appreciation of such music by means of public performance 2. To assist and support such charitable institutions or purposes as the committee shall from time to time determine.
<p>Need for the project</p> <p>Choreographed performance of Eternal Light – a Requiem by Howard Goodall. This will be collaboration between Cantorion Llandrindod and Powys Dance. The performance will be on Saturday November 12th 2011 and will take Remembrance Day as its theme. Eternal Light was commissioned as a choral/orchestral dance piece by the original performers with the theme of compassion for the bereaved. The music is possibly more accessible than the normal repertoire (Howard Goodall is young, alive, and wrote the Vicar of Dibley theme!). As such, will be a most appropriate piece for the young dancers (and their families) who may not have heard a live orchestra and choir before, let alone danced to live classical music. The production will be staged and costumed by a professional team, hopefully 'in the round'. Accompanying musical items will be a choral performance of the well-known Adagio by Samuel Barber plus a rousing Funeral March by Purcell, performed by brass and timpani. They are also planning to have brass perform the Last Post with poppies etc.</p> <p>Concert 2:</p> <p>A performance of St John Passion by JS Bach on March 31st 2012. Composed in 1724, it is one of Bach's most well-known and loved works, being a dramatic representation of the Passion according to the gospel of St John. Cantorion will again bring a near-professional orchestra and professional soloists to complement the local choir in another great performance of one of the great choral classics in Llandrindod Wells. Hopefully it will equal or exceed our previous successes.</p>	
Links to other regeneration initiatives	
Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:	
<p>Adult Living</p> <p>Cantorion Llandrindod has close on 50 members, with an age range of 18 – 92! However, the majority are aged over 50, many retired, most living within the town or in the locality and using local services such as NHS. Belonging to a choir, the act of singing in itself, and participating in the hard work, adrenaline, and satisfaction of putting on a concert contributes to the ongoing health and lifestyle of all members so must be a benefit in this category. With the impetus of this project, Powys Dance is intending to set up a group of older people to participate in and enjoy creative dance and they will perform in the event. In addition, one of the groups comprises adults with special needs.</p> <p>Learning in the Community</p> <p>The November concert will certainly contribute to the flying start objective for local young people, both as participants and as audience, as they anticipate that many siblings will be brought along to the performance. (NB Children will not be charged for admission), They will be providing the opportunity to hear live orchestral and choral music, with the additional benefit for the dancers of performing with live music of this kind. The chance to participate in a staged production with professional set design, lighting, costumes etc. The project will also clearly contribute to the participation in sports and active recreation objective.</p> <p>Regeneration</p> <p>The project will be supporting local businesses and enterprises such as the Pavilion, Powys Dance, staging and lighting experts, local musicians.</p> <p>Climate Change</p> <p>Possibility of putting a display in the vestibule of the Pavilion.</p>	
Value for money:	
The guarantee against loss enables Cantorion Llandrindod to put on concerts of near-professional standard in a town which is geographically part of a very rural area. Llandrindod Wells and surrounding area are small in terms of population but still deserve the stimulation and pleasure of both performing in and listening to such musical events	
Total Activity / Project Cost	£14,568
Total Grant Requested	£3,500
Grant Award	An award of £3,500 (24%) as a guarantee against genuine financial loss
Overall Assessment	

The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle as a baseline for future funding applications, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £3,500 as a guarantee against genuine financial loss

1. Attendance at concerts
2. Number of people who would attend another such concert (sample of those leaving)
3. Satisfaction and enjoyment by choir (survey at next rehearsal)
4. Satisfaction and enjoyment by participating dancers. (feedback from Powys Dance)

Organisation	The Get Going Gang
Project meets Project Revenue selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	The aims and objectives are to run a safe summer play scheme in a safe play environment for children aged 4 years to 15 years during the summer holidays.
Need for the project This is the only affordable play provision in the area which caters for families from disadvantaged backgrounds such as single parent, low income, unemployed and families on benefits. Parents are asking for this provision to continue and said they don't know what they would do without it. The Organisation provide a safe environment with a variety of different activities each day, including arts & crafts, indoor & out door play, competitive and non competitive games, professional workshops, trips and outings, quizzes, treasure hunts, fancy dress, karaoke, sweet making plus much more. The children in the Welshpool and surrounding towns and villages will be the ones to benefit from age 4 years up to 15 years	
Links to other regeneration initiatives Social services, the behavioural management team PCC, local schools, other play provisions sometimes share resources	
Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:	
Adult Living Learning in the Community The Organisation teaches the children new and exciting skills, introduce new friendships and cultures. We improve the quality of life for the children and their families by providing a much needed break sometimes from other siblings and for the parents to have time away from the children on such a long break from school. Encouraging local partnership working not only at the play scheme but with the parents; trying to get them involved in their local community and in what their children are doing.	
Regeneration Climate Change	
Value for money: The only play provision in the area that caters for the disadvantaged families.	
Total Activity / Project Cost	£14,000
Total Grant Requested	£3,000
Grant Award	21.4%
Overall Assessment The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £3,000.	
Number of Participants in activities: these will be reported to PCC divided into the following sub categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of performances, • Number of workshops, • Number of participants, • Number of exhibition days. 	

Organisation	Montgomeryshire Youth Theatre
Project meets Project Revenue selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	To foster and promote the education of young people in the appreciation of drama in all its aspects, and also to deliver the same to the wider community
Need for the project To deliver and broaden the skills and experiences of young people through contact with specialist professionals in the field of performing arts. The wider public will also benefit as audiences, and in the enhanced realisation of the abilities and skills of young people in the community.	
Links to other regeneration initiatives The elements of this project promote arts and education thus supporting community cohesion	
Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan: Adult Living This project is in line with the objectives of 'Creative Futures' – PCC's Children and Young People's Arts Strategy. The strategy stresses the importance of children and young people gaining skills through the arts. This contributes to the quality of life within the wider community and ensures health and wellbeing, offering young people ways to explore, express, learn, work and achieve in a way which is accessible to all who wish to take part Learning in the Community It is increasingly accepted that the arts play an important role in the regeneration of rural areas. Young people's engagement in the arts is one element in this development of the rural economy Regeneration Climate Change	
Value for money: The running costs of the project are kept low through a high degree of voluntary input, alongside the professional activities. The engagement of young people in such extra curricular activities mitigates against social unrest and possible destructive behaviour, the social economic consequences of which could be a financial cost to the community.	
Total Activity / Project Cost	£6,610
Total Grant Requested	£2,645
Grant Award	40%
Overall Assessment The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £2,645. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation of approximately 105 children/young adults • Estimated audience/wider public participation of 400 	

Organisation	TASC
Project meets Project Revenue selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	To encourage folk music, song and dance, working on skills, repertoire and performance contexts by: Members & Volunteers developing new skills Young people becoming involved in folk music Communities experiencing live folk music and dance
Need for the project The Organisation has had discussion with our members and partners. The current work grew out of detailed discussions with Helen Wilding-Smith, schools music co-ordinator, Lucy Bevan and Louise Ingham and follows on from a pilot scheme that is current taking place. Discussions with ACW have already taken place, as a result of which funding has been secured	
Links to other regeneration initiatives TASC is linked, through its administrator Philip Freeman, to Powys Arts Forum and the Powys Regeneration Partnership. This work plays a small but potentially significant role in developing cultural tourism. TASC are also an affiliated member of Llandinam Village Hall where many of their projects have taken place, and is playing a part in the restoration of the building for improved community use	
Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:	
Adult Living No relevance to the current work but continuing to explore possibilities based around reminiscences.	
Learning in the Community The Organisation will continue working with Schools Music Service to develop skills for young people	
Regeneration The Organisation will contribute to the development of cultural assets within the community	
Climate Change Not directly relevant – though largely acoustic and traditional art forms are better for carbon footprints.	
Value for money:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project will maintain high standards • By those standards we attract additional volunteers of a semi-professional quality • The Organisation is able to attract funding from ACW • The Organisation can add value to Powys's Music in Schools 	
Total Activity / Project Cost	£8,100
Total Grant Requested	£3,400
Grant Award	42%
Overall Assessment The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £3,400:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of 4 community events • Two series of workshops with average 12 participants (10 week course) • One CD for training purposes • One CD as training exercise for volunteer engineers • One training day for workshop leaders 	

Organisation	Ystradgynlais Miners Welfare & Community Hall
Project meets Project Revenue selection criteria?	Yes
Aims and objectives of the project	<p>Community Arts Programme The Welfare - Ystradgynlais is a busy community resource and arts venue, with cinema, theatre and private hire facilities. It is very well used both as a cultural centre and as a community resource, the Organisation are a charitable organisation and work in partnership with many national and local organisations in the areas of performing / visual arts, media, education, disability arts and community regeneration. They have enhanced much of this activity through the professional community arts programme over many years The 2011-12 Community Arts Programme aims to provide dynamic community arts activity that gives creative expression to the rich, diverse cultural and artistic heritage of the Upper Tawe Valley and supports the regeneration of local communities. For 2011-12 it intends to provide participatory and workshop style arts activity run by arts professionals for a wide cross section of groups of people from communities through professional community arts and education activities, thereby encouraging personal development, healthier life styles, heritage initiatives and the enhancement of community cohesion.</p>
<p>Need for the project The Community Arts Programme 2011-12 aims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to respond directly to the interests and needs of a wide cross section of the community • to provide on-going and accessible opportunities for people to creatively explore identity and learn new skills • to work in partnership with like-minded organisations or organisations that view arts as a potential tool for education, training, cultural and community development • to increase the number of community arts participants and subsequently build a new audience of attendees to other events programmed at The Welfare. • to provide a platform for exploring and developing community identities. • to develop a long term sustainable and accessible community arts programme • to place The Welfare at the heart of community arts and cultural regeneration • to build upon already successful community arts projects • to support local voluntary arts organisations, professional artists and develop tourist opportunities in the area. • to tackle issues of citizenship, capacity building and social exclusion 	
<p>Links to other regeneration initiatives This project contributes to The Welfares core funding partnership between Ystradgynlais Town Council who provide us with an annual grant, Powys County Council (employ the Director), and the Arts Council of Wales.</p> <p>Turnover for The Welfare in 2009-10 was £362,862 with Powys contributing a direct Community Enablement Grant of £4,000 and £11,250 via The Circuit. Just over 3% of The Welfares overall income in 2009-10.</p>	
<p>Project / activity fit in with the Powys County Council One Change Plan:</p> <p>Adult Living Participation of adults in reminiscing and intergenerational project that encourage healthy lifestyles and community interaction.</p> <p>Learning in the Community Partnership working with Schools and Community Focused Schools Officers</p> <p>Regeneration Partnership working with Schools and Community Focused Schools Officers</p> <p>Climate Change Actively use this project to educate about re-cycling and global issues.</p>	
<p>Value for money: This project contributes to The Welfares core funding partnership between Ystradgynlais Town Council who provide us with an annual grant, Powys County Council (employ the Director), and the Arts Council of Wales.</p>	

Turnover for The Welfare in 2009-10 was £362,862 with Powys contributing a direct Community Enablement Grant of £4000 and £11,250 via The Circuit. Just over 3% of The Welfares overall income in 2009-10.

Total Activity / Project Cost	£21,080
Total Grant Requested	£9,540
Grant Award	45.25%

Overall Assessment

The following outcomes/outputs have been agreed in principle, subject to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Culture's delegated approval of the grant award of £9,540.

140 workshop sessions x 12 attendees
20 workshop sessions x 15 attendees
50 workshop sessions x 6 attendees
20 workshop sessions x 20 attendees
3 Community Showcase / Parades