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**COWBRIDGE (ANCIENT BOROUGH) with
LLANBLETHIAN TOWN COUNCIL
CYNGOR TREF Y BONTFAEN (Bwrdeistref Hynafol) gyda LLANFLEIDDAN**

Dear Friend,

The Town Council has reserved funds within its 2022/23 budget to award grants to community organisations which can demonstrate a clear need for financial support to benefit local residents./

A copy of the application form along with guidance notes is attached.

If you would like to apply for a Grant, the application form must be completed and returned to the Town Clerk.

If your organisation/project previously received a Grant from the Council, it is imperative that you also complete and return the Grant Feedback form in Appendix One.

If you would like support completing the application form, visit our office at Cowbridge Town Hall or email/phone using the contact details below.

Town Clerk
townclerk@cowbridge-tc.gov.uk
01446 773385



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Grant Aid Application Guidance Notes

Please read the guidance notes before completing the form:

Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council awards grants, at its discretion, to community organisations which can demonstrate a clear need for financial support to benefit residents by;

- providing a service
- enhancing a quality of life
- improving the environment
- promoting the Town Council in a positive way.

We suggest any applicants speak with the Town Clerk prior to requesting a grant;

Eligibility

Grants will not be made;

- to organisations situated outside the area administered by the Town Council, unless a clear benefit to the inhabitants of the Community can be established. In such cases, supporting information demonstrating the level of benefit must be provided
- to organisations that are socially exclusive, e.g., where there are unreasonable restrictions on membership inconsistent with equal opportunities
- to organisations established for party political purposes or promoting religious purposes
- where the aims and objectives of the organisation are inconsistent with the values of the Town Council.
- no grant will be awarded to or for any commercial venture for private gain
- the grant cannot fund the purchase of alcohol, wages, loans or interest payments or VAT that you can recover
- no retrospective applications will be considered.



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Grants will be considered under the following criteria:

The organisation must be non-profit making or charitable (i.e. an independent group that does not make profit to pay Directors, Members or Shareholders; normally run by volunteers). Grants will not be made to individuals and would not normally exceed 50% of the cost of the project or activity.

Grants will not be made retrospectively and only one application for a grant will be considered from each organisation in any one financial year.

All grants must be used within one year from the award being made.

All grants are awarded on a one-off basis – if required for subsequent years a new application must be submitted each year.

A grant may only be used for the purpose set out in the application and it cannot be given or transferred to any other group.

Any monies not used, in part or full, for the agreed purpose must be immediately returned to the Town Council.

At the Council's discretion, for large grants, (over £500) groups may be subject to a visit by the Town Clerk to see how the grant has been administered.

The Council will require details of how the money has been spent within 1 year of the award being made.

Recognition of the grant from the Town Council must be made in any publicity and in the Group's accounts.

The Council may use the name of your Group and its project in our own publicity material where appropriate.

All grants are at the discretion of the council:

All applications will be considered on their merits and subject to providing the supporting documentation as requested on the



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application form. Incomplete applications will be returned and may not be re-considered. Especially if the budget is depleted.

Groups may be asked to make a brief presentation to Council Members.

If required, it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that public liability insurance is in place.

The Council will take into consideration any previous grants made to an organisation when considering a new application.

Grants – DATA PROTECTION

Your Personal Data – The information in this application will be held by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Council for considering your grant application. The information that you have provided in the application form above will be presented to a Council meeting and become a permanent public record in the Council minutes. The contact information for the application will be retained for up to 7 years as an audit trail for our expenditure and may be shared with relevant authorities when requested by them. This data will be controlled by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council. More information can be found in our Privacy Notice which can be seen on the Council's website at www.cowbridge-tc.gov.uk or from the Council Offices.



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Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council

Grant Aid Application Form

No payments will be paid by cash.

SECTION A: ABOUT YOU	
Name of Organisation: (Please note that if you are successful, payment will be made to a bank account registered in this name).	Cylch Meithrin Y Bontfaen
Registered Charity Number (if applicable)	1080166
Name of Main Contact: (All correspondence will be addressed to this person)	Natalie Harries, Chair of Trustees Sarah Clanfield, Cylch Manager
Full Postal Address of Applicant:	Cylch Meithrin Y Bont Faen The Broad Shoard Cowbridge CF71 7DA
Contact Telephone Number:	Daytime: Cylch: 01446 776250 Please note Cylch is closed between 23/12/23 – 08/01/2024 and 12/02/2024 – 17/02/2024 Mobile: Natalie 07841486440
Main Contact Email Address:	Lewisna_86@live.com (Natalie) cylchmeithin@btconnect.com



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Has the organisation received Grant Aid from Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council in the past 3 years? NO



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If the answer is yes, please complete the box below:

Date	Amount
	£
	£
	£
	£

Please provide a brief description of the main aims and activities of the organisation applying for a Grant.

How many people are involved in the organisation and approximately what percentage of them live in the Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council area?



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Are you a not for profit organisation?

Yes ☐

No ☐

How long has the organisation been established?

18 plus years in Cowbridge

SECTION B: WHY ARE YOU APPLYING FOR GRANT AID?

Please provide a brief description of what you intend to use the Grant Aid for?

The Grant is intended to be used for a camera, alarm, door and lighting system for the Cylch Meithrin. This will include security lighting, checking in and out systems and CCTV camera facilities.

The location of the building is in a secluded area behind the leisure centre in Cowbridge in a prefabricated structure. During the evenings it is a dark area with very little light and people around. A recent incident involving anti social behaviour aimed towards staff which resulted in unauthorised individuals attempting to gain access to the property.

Further to this incident it has also been raised that there is a concern regarding the safety of the children when they are in attendance at Cylch due to the lack of appropriate security measures for access to the property. There are not sufficient safety measures to prevent unauthorised personnel entering the site of the Cylch Meithrin and there is no secure system on the door to check who is attending until the door is unlocked and opened fully.

We are concerned about possible safeguarding issues. There has, in the past and more recently, been domestic incidents between parents in the vicinity of the Cylch that need to be monitored and in order to safeguard children, staff and parents the systems are



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absolutely necessary. CCTV cameras are required to monitor situations and protect the staff and children inside the property.

At present there is one main entrance in and out of the Cylch which has a simple door lock and also a doorbell, however, a checking in and out system for the door and for staff members would keep a check and monitor who is entering and exiting the property at all times and ensure the safety of staff, children and parents.

How will the Grand Aid benefit the Community?

Cylch Meithrin Y Bont Faen is the only full time Welsh Language nursery in the area for 2- to 4-year-olds. The Cylch provides also provides wrap around child care for Children attending Ysgol Iolo Morganwg and it also provides a holiday club for the children during some school holidays. It is a thriving and popular nursery where children very much enjoy attending and there is a positive community around it.

We are charity run and therefore in order to continue to provide the level of care that the children receive this grant will assist greatly.

To ensure the continued high attendance and support of the Cylch steps need to be taken to make the nursery a safe and secure place for children to attend.

The prospect of an extension to accommodate children from 1 year old is also currently being explored with the Vale of Glamorgan Council and therefore in order to comply with legislation around child care provisions



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these systems will be essential.



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Please provide the dates you intend to start and finish the project.
Start Date: as soon as funds are available
Completion Date: prior to the end of 23/24 Financial Year
SECTION C: How much Grant Aid is being applied for?
What is the total cost of the project for which Grant Aid is required? The quote that has been provided for a full system would cost in the region of £7,500 to £10,000
What is the amount of Grant Aid the organisation would like to apply for? £2,000 The remaining costs will need to be through fund raising
What other sources of funding have been approached, or are available for the project? The building is owned by Cylch Meithrin Y Bont Faen and therefore the Vale of Glamorgan Council will not fund the systems that are needed in order to ensure that Child safety is of the highest standard. As a charity, the circumstances that have led to this grant application are an unplanned but essential requirement and as such Cylch Meithrin Y Bont Faen are not in the position to fully fund the cost of the required works. Fund raising is ongoing within Cylch Meithrin to cover unforeseen expenses and as such any excess capital in addition to the



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£2000 grant would be fulfilled using fundraising funds.

Supply the following information dependant on grant applied for.

A. Up to £100

- Organisation/Group constitution or rules

B. £101 - £499

- Income and expenditure account/balance sheet
- Last bank statement

- Constitution or rules
- VAT registration
- Is the organisation profit making?
- Provide quotations for items the Grant will be used for.

C. £500 - £2,000

- As requested in B
- Latest audited/ratified accounts and balance sheet.

Section D: Sustainability

Will the project/activity continue after this funding has ended?

NO

Once the Security Systems are installed Cylch will continue to operate with them in place and fund future maintenance and associated costs.



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If yes, provide details.



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Section E: Payment Details

If your application is successful, payment will be made using the details below.

Account Name (*Use name of the organisation applying as in Section A*)

Account Number

Sort Code



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SECTION F: Completing the application

Your Signature – This must be the signature of the main contact named in Section A

Declaration:

- i. I certify that the information contained in this application is correct.
- ii. If the information changes in any way I will inform Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council.

Signed:

Date:

Please note that this form requires two signatures:

Second Signature:

Position held in organisation:

Signed:

Date:

Completed application forms should be returned to:

The Town Clerk
Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council

enquiries@cowbridge-tc.gov.uk



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or

The Town Hall
Cowbridge
CF71 7AD

Checklist:-

- ✓ A copy of the organisations Constitution or rules to be provided
- ✓ Two signatories on the form.
- ✓ Submission of the application form is completed before the deadline date.
- ✓ You have considered any Equality impact issues in your application.
- ✓ If you previously received a grant from Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council, complete and include the feedback from in Appendix One.



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Appendix One

Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council Grant Feedback

Name:	
Organisation:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Email address:	
Website:	
Reason for previous application: (Project/activity name/details)	
Amount received:	



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Date received:	
I was happy with the application process?	Yes ☐ No ☐
If your answer to the above question is no, please give further details to enable us to improve the application process.	
How has the donation made a difference to the Community?	

Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council welcomes feedback and photographs on all good causes that we have supported.

Should you provide photographs, these may be used for marketing purposes.

If you do NOT wish to have your photographs published tick this box ☐