

BRENIG NEWS

BRENIG WIND LTD MAKING A POSITIVE IMPACT ON LOCAL COMMUNITIES.....

To date, the Brenig Wind Limited Community Benefit Fund has awarded over £470,000 to community groups, clubs and societies since it launched three years ago.

The £4 million fund over 25 years, supports community projects in the Brenig area of benefit which covers the upland Hiraethog area between Denbighshire and Conwy.

"Cadwyn Clwyd has already distributed £470,189 to more than 76 different local projects for a range of different projects and helped them leverage even more" said Owen Turner of Brenig Wind Ltd

"The applications will go before the locally-based grants panel who will make the final decisions on where and how the money is spent" added Owen.

Brenig Wind Grant Ltd Panel Chairman and local farmer Llyr Jones said "There has been a great deal of interest in the wind farm fund and so many local organisations have already benefited from it."

"This is a great opportunity for local community groups and societies who need to think big and small because the money is available for a range of projects across the area."

The next application round of the Brenig Community Benefit Fund opened on Thursday 1st September 2022 with deadline for applications on Friday 18th of November 2022. Application forms and guidance are available on [Brenig Wind Farm - Cadwyn Clwyd](#) - for queries and further guidance please contact brenig@cadwynclwyd.co.uk or 01490 340500.

The eligible area stretches from St Asaph in the north to Maerdy, near Corwen, in the south and from the River Clwyd in the east across the Denbigh Moors to Cerrigydrudion and the upper reaches of the Conwy Valley - a map of the area that benefits is on the Cadwyn Clwyd website.



FLYING HIGH IN DENBIGH TO MAKE THE MOST OF BRENIG WIND FUND

Flying High trampolining club for the disabled is bouncing back following grant support from the Brenig Fund.

Flying High, which attracts members aged from 6 to 60 to its weekly sessions at Denbigh Leisure Centre, has used the £4,104 Brenig grant to purchase a new trampoline. It has made a big difference to Flying High, whose members are bouncing every Monday evening from 5pm, and enjoying the thrill of trampolining.

Club treasurer Anna Gresty, from Prion, whose son is a regular at the club, said: "Flying High has been going for ten years and we get people coming from a wide area"

"We're lucky because we have excellent coaching from Laurel Morgan and her team and we've fund-raised so we have good equipment including for members who are non-ambulatory."

Peter Morgan, from Ruthin, whose 10-year-old son, Max, attends Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn at Denbigh, said: "He has autism and it was difficult to find extra-curricular activities which he could take part in but this has been perfect. "Max has been trampolining for four years and he loves it. It keeps him fit and he meets new people so it's been really good for him."



CNEIFIO CORWEN SHEARS - BRENIG SUPPORTING AN INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED EVENT IN THE LOCAL AREA....

With the help of a Brenig Wind £10,000 grant support, the Cneifio Corwen Shears event saw a successful comeback after two years absence due to Covid. The international lamb shearing event has been going since 1989 but needed additional grant support to kick start the event at this year's competition held on the weekend of 30th July.

Different competitions from traditional shearing, speed shearing to wool handling attract hundreds of competitors from all over the world from as far afield as New Zealand and Australia.

The event was also a platform to encourage the Hiraethog area shearers, alongside the world's experienced shearers, to compete to develop their shearing and wool handling skills, in the hope of opening doors for future employment opportunities.

Corwen Shearing which is organised by a committee of local volunteers, is part of the Wales Circuit, and an opportunity for people to win their place to be a member of the Welsh National Team to compete in the World Sheep Shearing and Wool Handling Competition. It attracted thousands of spectators over a very successful weekend.

Other rural shows which received Brenig Wind Ltd support to restart and re-establish themselves following Covid were Sioe Derwen receiving £653 towards equipment and Sioe Nantglyn receiving £2,337 towards a marquee. Gwyl 7 in Llanfairtalhaiarn also received £7,604 towards establishing a new community event to bring people together post Covid.



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BRENIG SUPPORTS LLANSANNAN YOUNG FARMERS TO COMPETE LOCALLY AND NATIONALLY!

Llansannan Young Farmers Club, were successful in their application for money from the Brenig Fund. Part of what was needed was equipment so they could compete fairly against larger clubs in the County Field and Rally Competitions.

Llansannan Young Farmers Club received a Brenig Fund grant to buy a rope and rope pulling shoes to be able to practice before the Young Farmers Rally. It was a huge success, with the equipment paying off - as the Under-18 team won the County Rally and went on to the national tug of war competition at the Royal Show. Another part of the grant was a frame to advertise their county rally, made by Iolo Edwards, a local rural business. There was also success at county and national level with field work, where Brenig financed equipment such as white coats for displays.



NEWLY RENOVATED SPORTS PITCH IN CERRIGYDRUDION

Cerrigydrudion community received £9,588 Brenig Fund support towards a newly renovated all-weather sports pitch. The previous pitch, which was over 20 years old was damaged and waterlogged with mud pools in wet weather. The new pitch is a resource for everyone in the village and benefits people of all ages.



The school children have daily use of the field with the 'Cylch Meithrin' also having access to it.

The pitch is constantly used in the evenings with youths playing football. A local parent said "The place was full of children and young people from all over the Uwchaled area having fun, it was lovely to see them enjoying themselves and using the new facility. We are grateful to the Brenig Fund for the support".

BRENIG BACKS CREATIVITY ON THE URDD EISTEDDFOD FIELD

Young people took part in a new Street Theatre at this year's Denbighshire Urdd Eisteddfod. With Brenig Fund support of £9,950 they managed to hold theatre, art and mental health workshops led by experienced artists. All the workshops were woven together in order to stage high quality performances on the grounds of the Urdd Eisteddfod.

There was a collection of experimental and energetic workshops which an opportunity for the individuals to develop confidence, identity and creativity.



OTHER NEWS ABOUT EXCITING PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY BRENIG WIND LTD COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND INCLUDE:



SUPPORTING CLWB RYGBI RUTHIN RUGBY CLUB

Clwb Rygbi Ruthin Rugby Club has been awarded £25,000 in Brenig Funds to erect a new storage shed for use by the junior section. This will allow clean and tidy storage of equipment for the club members and volunteers as well as other groups using the club resources and infrastructure.



NEW FACILITIES AT CANOLFAN UWCHALED

Canolfan Uwchaled received £9,587 towards the refurbishment of a coffee bar and kitchen storage area for the Uwchaled Community Centre. This will enable users of the community centre to have brand new kitchen facilities at the centre.



A LIFESAVING DEFIB FOR NANTGLYN COMMUNITIES

Nantglyn Community Council received £2,002 from Brenig to install a defibrillator in the redundant telephone kiosk, which will provide essential lifesaving support for those in their hour of need.



HERITAGE PROJECT IN LLANRHAEADR

Ffynnon St Dyfnog Well, Llanrhaeadr, received £3,161 towards path construction at this historic community site. The St Dyfnog's Well is a place of pilgrimage, local beauty spot and a haven for wildlife.

SUPPORTING CLWB PELDROED HENLLAN FOOTBALL CLUB!

Clwb Peldroed Henllan Football Club received £3,148 to purchase new football coaching equipment for all the club's children and youth teams. Over 150 children and young people (girls and boys) aged 5 to 16 are members of Henllan Youth Football Club and will benefit from the new coaching equipment.



SUPPORTING DIGITAL SKILLS FOR CHILDREN

Ysgol Carreg Emlyn, Clocaenog received £3,780 to purchase 15 Ipads. The Ipads are used in the after school club to teach coding skills for the children and also to film, create pictures as well as play games. They are also used by Cylch Meithrin Clocaenog, Ti a Fi club, Breakfast Club and they are also available for wider community use.



IMPROVING COMMUNITY FACILITIES AT GROES

Neuadd y Plwyf Bylchau, Groes, received £18,523 towards improvements to the fabric of the building, new flooring, upgrading the toilets and installing a new kitchen. The improvements will allow the hall to continue to provide a central hub for the whole community.



CHOIR SINGING IN LLANSANNAN

Cor Meibion Bro Aled Llansannan, were awarded £9,064 to purchase a modular staging system and trailer, providing the choir with a suitable and safe portable staging.





BRENIG SUPPORTING PLAY FOR GLYCH MEITHRIN PRION

Cylch Meithrin Prion received £9,102 to purchase updated play resources and equipment. This has enabled the cylch to offer the highest standard of service to the children that attend.

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FUNDING GUIDANCE



The Area of Benefit:

- The area of benefit are those communities in Denbighshire and Conwy which are closest to the Brenig Wind Ltd site.
- Communities within 10km radius from Brenig Windfarm will form the area of benefit.
- Projects in the outer area of 15km radius may be supported, provided they clearly demonstrate how they can benefit communities within the inner 10km area.
- A map of the area of benefit is available on www.cadwynclwyd.co.uk

Grant Thresholds:

- a small grant up to £10,000
- a large grant £10,000 to £50,000

Who Can Apply?

- Voluntary, community groups
- Community Councils / Town Councils
- Social enterprises provided they operate on a not-for-profit basis (including credit unions)
- Co-operatives
- Community owned enterprises
- Companies limited by guarantee
- Community interest companies and development trusts
- Charities
- Third sector organisations
- Social firms

Brenig Wind Ltd Community Benefit Fund is administered by Cadwyn Clwyd.
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