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Denbighshire People & Skills Key Fund Awarded Project List

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1. Introduction

The Denbighshire People and Skills Key Fund forms delivers on Denbighshire's mission to support the provision of quality employability support that enables people of all ages to fulfil their potential, both personally and professionally.

The organisations listed within have successfully secured funding from the Denbighshire People and Skills Key Fund 2025-26. The table below shows their Project(s) and allocation of funding awarded.

Funded Organisation	Name of Project	Funding Secured	Slide
Agrication	Denbighshire Farm Forwards	£ 38,875.00	3
Denbigh HS	Denbigh HS Community Project	£ 25,035.00	4
GLLM	Supportive Steps	£ 43,707.56	5
Outdoor Learning Llangollen	The Entrepreneur	£ 57,900.00	6
Prestatyn HS	Entrepreneurship in Action	£ 16,532.72	7
Prestatyn HS	Community Campus	£ 23,756.18	8
RCS	Coach to Work 100	£ 12,811.68	9
Resource Denbighshire	Aspire	£ 66,434.00	10
Resource Denbighshire	Grow Green Skills	£ 28,400.00	11
Stepping Stones	Next Steps Towards Better Futures	£ 21,900.00	12
WRYPP	Camau Cymuned/Community Steps	£ 29,382.78	13



Agrication

Organisation	Agrication		
Project Name	Denbighshire Farm Forwards	£38,875.00	
Target Audience	South Denbighshire residents, 16+		
Further Opportunity	Volunteering, Work-based placement (supported)		
Project Delivery Timeline	1 st September – 19 th December 2025		
Contact	Cheryl Reeves	info@agrication.co.uk	07792561345
	This project introduces a unique approach to filling gaps left by traditional employment or training programmes by combining sustainable farming, food production, mental health support and personal development. The aim of this project is to equip young people with essential skills in agriculture, food, nutrition and entrepreneurship while building self-confidence, resilience and emotional well-being. The project offers 2 taster sessions: one local at Corwen/Llangollen and the other on site at their working farm at Bangor-on-Dee, Wrexham. This will be followed by 6 weeks of 1 day a week attendance on site at the Farm. The mornings will be taken up by tasks that need doing on the farm e.g. feeding animals. The afternoons are flexible depending on where an attendee's interest lies: working on vocational activities, completing land-based training or undertaking personal development work supported by coaches/mentors. All return transport from South Denbighshire, hospitality and PPE are all provided.		



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Denbigh High School

Organisation	Denbigh High School	
Project Name	Denbigh HS Community Project	
Target Audience	Y10 and Y11 Denbigh HS pupils at risk of becoming NEET when they leave school	£25,035.00
Further Opportunity	N/A	
Project Delivery Timeline	10 th September – 20 th February 2026	
Contact	Stuart Howson showson@denbighhighschool.co.uk 01745 812485	
	This project takes place on site in School each Wednesday. The day will be split into 2 parts. The focus for the morning will be working towards achieving a Pearson BTEC Level 2 Certificate, Extended Certificate and Diploma in Teamwork and Personal Development in the Community with MPCT (MPCT Schools Wales Prospectus 2025). This a workbook-based recognised certificate that focusses on core competencies such as teamwork, communication, leadership, time management, and problem-solving – all crucial skills for employment and entrepreneurial success. The afternoons focus on building up enterprise and business skills by putting into practice the skills learnt during the morning sessions. There are 2 choices for the afternoons: Option 1 Community Entrepreneurship Projects: learners will deliver community projects end to end every half-term and will be involved in project proposals, planning and management. Based within the school or the local community and supported . Option 1: Salon Services Project where learners will learn how to perform a range of Salon Services in school with EDUCATE. Learners will offer these services to nursing homes and other vulnerable groups in the community for free. This will encourage interaction with people from vulnerable communities whilst developing employability and entrepreneurial skills as well as empathy and compassion - vital for working in many vocational settings.	



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Grŵp Llandrillo Menai

Organisation	Grŵp Llandrillo Menai		
Project Name	Camau Cefnogol/Supportive Steps	£43,707.56	
Target Audience	Denbighshire learners at GLLM's Rhyl, Rhos on Sea, Abergele and Denbigh campuses		
Further Opportunity	Not Applicable		
Project Delivery Timeline	1 st September – 27 th February 2026		
Contact	Zoe Fox	fox1z@gllm.ac.uk	07548837066
 Camau Cefnogol / Supportive Steps will provide a targeted programme of support for any economically inactive young people aged 16 and over who reside in Denbighshire and are studying at any of our Coleg Llandrillo Campuses (Rhyl, Rhos on Sea, Abergele and Denbigh Hwb). The project aims to re-engage learners through integrated education and wellbeing interventions, working closely with Working Denbighshire, local secondary schools, and internal college support services to reduce the risk of young people withdrawing from their college course and becoming NEET, by addressing not only their academic challenges but also the social, emotional and mental health barriers that often lead to disengagement. The project will provide support for learners through a variety of different specialist roles, depending on the individual needs, which can include support from more than one specialist member of staff.			



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Outdoor Learning Llangollen

Organisation	Outdoor Learning Llangollen		 Canolfan Addysg Awyr Agored BRYNTYSILIO Outdoor Education Centre
Project Name	The Entrepreneur	£57,900.00	
Target Audience	Year 11 pupils in Denbighshire looking to understand more about how businesses work		
Further Opportunity	N/A		
Project Delivery Timeline	September 2025 – February 2026		
Contact	Chris Eastabrook chris.eastabrook@bryntysilio.co.uk 07843098980		
	 This four-day residential programme at Bryntysilio (“<i>Brynty</i>”) empowers Year 11s to develop entrepreneurial and employability skills through immersive outdoor learning. Each programme begins with a Brynty minibus pick-up and ends with drop-off, with participants staying in insulated yurts. Day one builds interpersonal communication through canoeing and introduces sales and marketing via role-play, followed by personality profiling (Belbin, Myers-Briggs). Day two combines climbing with business-finance challenges and extended team-dynamics mapping. On day three, a gorge-rescue scenario fosters collaborative leadership, risk assessment, and incident management as participants prepare for their pop-up event. Day four sees young people apply budgeting, marketing, and customer service in real Llangollen pop-ups—donating proceeds to charity—before conducting a post-implementation review. Structured reflection sessions and peer mentoring help map personal strengths, resilience, and career pathways. Participants also compile a portfolio of business plans, testimonials, and self-reflections to support future applications. Ideal candidates are those lacking confidence, at risk of early school-leaving, or with hidden leadership potential—who thrive on hands-on problem-solving, social interaction, and learning outside the classroom. By simulating small-business operations and facilitating ongoing mentorship, the project bridges the gap between personal potential and real-world employment.		



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Prestatyn High School

Organisation	Prestatyn High School	
Project Name	Community Campus	£23,756.18
Target Audience	Prestatyn High School Y11 learners at risk of becoming NEET	
Further Opportunity	N/A	
Project Delivery Timeline	3 rd November – 13 th February 2026	
Contact	Alex Fuller afuller@prestatynhigh.co.uk 01745 852312	
	This is a 13 weeks programme of 1 day per week, specifically designed for up to 10 Prestatyn HS's Y11 learners who are at risk of becoming NEET. It will provide them with a structured pathway of personal development, practical life skills and community contribution at this critical transition stage in their lives.	
	The project offers a diverse set of activities for participants including cooking, boxing (Empire fighting), film making/editing (using drone/camera) and studio/media skills (podcasting, music production & editing) to encourage and strengthen their level of self-confidence, self-care, soft business and project skills and technical media know-how by undertaking all aspects of filming/studio work. As part of the project, they will also have an opportunity to showcase their newly learnt skills by supporting service delivery at the Nant Y Mor care home by way of serving afternoon tea, running the bingo session, recording life stories as part of a heritage podcast.	
	The final day will be spent visiting Ddu Gorge at Llanrwst for gorge walking and a picnic.	
	The project will be based out of Prestatyn High School's new community focused hwb called Y Bobl however, the activities will take place across a variety of locations along Denbighshire's North-East coast. All return transport from Prestatyn HS and hospitality will be provided.	



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Prestatyn High School

Organisation	Prestatyn High School	
Project Name	Entrepreneurship in Action	£16,532.72
Target Audience	Prestatyn High School Y11 ALN/disabled learners at risk of becoming NEET	
Further Opportunity	N/A	
Project Delivery Timeline	3 rd November – 13 th February 2026	
Contact	Alex Fuller afuller@prestatynhigh.co.uk 01745 852312	
	This project provides 10 young ALN people with project-based learning that will support them to set up the community café in Prestatyn High School's new community focused hwb called Y Bobl. The ambition is for the Café to become a safe and warm community space for local people to meet and be able to access food. Families of ALN students are more likely to be living in poverty and so the Project will also engage with their parents to link them with a range of advice/support services for themselves and enable the young people to access services and opportunities once their time at school has finished.	
	This training will offer these young people the opportunity to achieve Agored and other relevant qualifications around workplace skills and will mean they will have at least one dedicated day away from school a week. All return transport from Prestatyn HS and hospitality will be provided.	
	In the first half of the project, each young person will undertake their Level 1 in Food Hygiene and begin the process of planning and developing the cafe and it's offer while choosing the qualifications (that meet their individual needs and abilities) they are to undertake. Each will therefore have a bespoke plan for the duration of the project. The second half will focus on the young people launching and running the Café while undertaking the qualifications they have chosen. The project will end with a celebratory event at which each of the participants will be presented with a document that outlines the employment ready skills they have acquired and the evidence to demonstrate this (certificates may not yet be ready for them).	



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RCS Wales

Organisation	RCS Wales		
Project Name	Coach to Work 100	£12,811.68	
Target Audience	Denbighshire residents that are newly employed (within first 3m of employment)		
Further Opportunity	N/A		
Project Delivery Timeline	18 th August – 13 th February 2026		
Contact	Kerry Jones, Head of Operations workwell@rcs-wales.co.uk 01745 336442		
 Coach to Work 100 offers a structured coaching programme to help employees sustain and progress in employment. It is aimed at supporting new employees to navigate the transition to work during the first 100 days. It is also suitable for employees who may be vulnerable at work due to a health condition, neuro-divergence or disability. The programme will help participants to build resilience and confidence, and progress towards work-related goals such as securing a permanent contract, increased hours or responsibilities, or a promotion at work. Individually tailored sessions will help them to develop skills and coping mechanisms and address common workplace challenges such as navigating social interactions or managing demands and avoiding burnout. For new employees, it will help to build a bridge from uncertainty about the world of work to a greater degree of independence. Each participant will receive four structured sessions with a qualified coach (either remote/online or in person), delivered over a 3-month period to allow time for learning to be embedded.			



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ReSource Denbighshire CIC

Organisation	ReSource Denbighshire CIC		
Project Name	Aspire/Dyheu	£66,334.00	
Target Audience	Young people/adults aged 16+ experiencing accessibility barriers to employment		
Further Opportunity	Additional training/volunteering/work placement with a Supported Employment Network partner		
Project Delivery Timeline	1 st September – 27 th February 2026		
Contact	Janine Cusworth	janine@resourcewales.com	07941914323
 ReSource is a social and environmental CIC, committed to raising aspirations for economically inactive individuals. whilst promoting positive environmental actions. This project enables ReSource to offer 15 min. additional work placement opportunities for young people/adults with complex learning needs. Individuals experiencing barriers to progressing their interests and are not currently engaging in work/volunteering and do not hold a Level 2 or equivalent qualification, will be supported. Work placement opportunities will take place in ReSource’s other community facing projects across Ruthin and Denbigh: shop, cafe and gardens. Working from a person-centred perspective and with individualised Key Worker support, participants will be supported to gain skills, explore their interests, develop confidence and gain work-based qualifications. The Project will run from August 2025 to February 2026 and will accept referrals from other public/voluntary sector organisations, care providers, individuals and their carers.			



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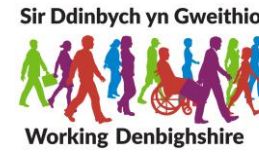
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ReSource Denbighshire CIC

Organisation	ReSource Denbighshire CIC			
Project Name	Grow Green Skills	£28,400		
Target Audience	North/Mid/South Denbighshire Residents, Age: 16-25			
Further Opportunity	Work placement, volunteering opportunities			
Project Delivery Timeline	8 th September – 30 th January 2026			
Contact	Janine Cusworth	janine@resourcewales.com	07941914323	
	ReSource is a social and environmental CIC, committed to raising aspirations for economically inactive individuals whilst promoting positive environmental actions. This project will be providing young people (16-25 years) with a unique opportunity to engage in Green Skills learning opportunity			
	This is an 8 weeks course based in Ruthin, where you will build a good understanding of the key principles behind Circular Economy and Renewable energy as well as gaining in-demand, practical green skills.			
	Each week, you will be looking at a different aspect of green skills. You will gain skills in plastics, eco making/upcycling/repurposing, harnessing solar power and wind power. You will also look at the end-to-end project management of green projects. Different specialist guest speakers will be joining you as the course progresses to complement your training.			
	Project Grow Green Skills will run from September 2025 to February 2026.			



Stepping Stones North Wales

Organisation	Stepping Stones North Wales		
Project Name	Next Steps Towards Better Futures	£14,000.00	
Target Audience	Denbighshire residents on Stepping Stones Waiting List		
Further Opportunity	N/A		
Project Delivery Timeline	11 th August – 20 th February 2026		
Contact	Shirley McCann shirley@steppingstonesnorthwales.co.uk 07508448130		
	Stepping Stones North Wales, is a charity providing support across the six counties of North Wales, to adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse an established charity of 41 years. Our services are free to access, and anyone can refer by calling our helpline number or accessing our webpage. The aims of our project are to reach out to our clients in Denbighshire to offer 1-1 professional counselling, art therapy, access to education classes to include life skills, and alternative methods of learning. We will include family members, and all project members will be supported by trained staff and mentors. We hope to see improved mental health and wellbeing, improved confidence and self-esteem, newly learnt skills, qualifications and supported learning opportunities, to enable all individuals to go forward, able to make more informed life choices, work and volunteering opportunities and build stronger families.		



West Rhyl Young People's Project

Organisation	West Rhyl Young People's Project	
Project Name	Camau Cymuned/Community Steps	£29,382.78
Target Audience	North Denbighshire Residents aged 16+	
Further Opportunity	Volunteering, further accredited learning	
Project Delivery Timeline	14 th October – 13 th February 2026	
Contact	Chris Coyle chris@rhyl youth.co.uk 07716 843 535	
 	Camau Cymuned/Community Steps is designed to prepare people for future opportunities in youth work, community support, and activity-based roles. Within the programme there will be opportunities to enrol on two separate accredited courses: Level 1 Principles and Practices in Youth Work, and level 2 Gym Instructor course. Participants can sign up to one or both of the courses, as they will be delivered on separate days of the week. No prior experience or training is required for either course. Wrap around support will be provided for participants throughout the programme, with informal supplementary study days with key workers and weekly drop-ins to help participants keep in touch and stay on track with their learning. Camau Cymuned/Community Steps gives participants the chance to establish sustainable routines, gain hands-on practical experience in community settings, and achieve a recognised qualification; providing a stepping stone towards paid work, volunteering, or further learning.	

