Guidance for Applicants: Consumables & Saleable Items



Pen y Cymoedd Wind Farm Community Fund can consider grant and loan applications for capital or revenue costs and can consider funding anything from equipment to events, staffing to building works, marketing to infrastructure work. Occasionally we receive applications for consumable items or saleable items, and we would not normally fund these items. However, we consider each application on a case-by-case basis and if you were including consumables or saleable items you would need to consider the information below.

Consumables

What is a consumable item? Consumables are items used by organisations and businesses that need to be replaced on a frequent basis because they wear out or are used up as a day-to-day running cost.

For a community organisation this may include things such as batteries / stationary / ink and toner cartridges / food and drink or even seeds and plants for a community allotment.

For a business this may include things like batteries / computer cables / stationary / printing / ink and toner / food and drink. These are day to day running cost of your business, so they are deducted from your company's profit in the profit and loss statement as a day-to-day operating expense.

Consumable items typically will have a life span of five years or less and will need to be replaced regularly. If applying for these things we would need to know:

- Why not being covered within core costs
- What difference it would make to have funding for these things
- What happens after grant period and how would these costs be covered longer term
- Why they are a priority now

It would be unusual for Pen Y Cymoedd Wind Farm Community Fund CIC to fund Consumables items but there are exceptions to this so please discuss with us.

Saleable items

What is a saleable item? A saleable item is one that it stocked by the business/organisation with the intention to sell on to customers in return for profit.

Saleable items could include stock items of any kind, examples include:

- food/drink (including tea/coffee) that is being sold to the public
- coffee granules that will be sold in a coffee shop
- bread/breakfast items that will be sold in a café
- cards/gifts that will be sold in a shop/online
- clothing that will be sold in a shop/online
- shampoo/hair products/hair dye that will be sold in a hairdressers
- products that will be used to make items for sale

As these items will be sold to cover cost (or even generate a profit) it would be unusual for the fund to consider funding saleable items but there are exceptions to this. It may be that organisation or business cannot afford items at start but when sales start, they will be able to continue funding and so need some initial support. If this is the case, you would need to explain this clearly and it is likely we would only consider a proportion of these costs.