

2023-24 Overview of Pen y Cymoedd

Another year has passed and we have now been operating as a community fund for 7 years.

“We are immensely appreciative to the communities, partners, funders, and other stakeholders who interact with, support, and collaborate with us; the past year has been busier than ever. We are working hard to realise the community's vision that the Pen y Cymoedd area is a lively, dynamic, and interesting place to work and live, with happy, healthy, active, sustainable, and connected communities.

This work carries a great deal of responsibility; we feel keenly our responsibility to do the absolute best for the communities but is also an utter privilege.” – Kate Breeze, Executive Director

The last 12 months:

1. We have assessed another 217 Micro Fund applications and awarded £390,000 to 100 groups and businesses (see full list below).
2. Received and assessed 44 Vision Fund applications and awarded £2million to 32 groups and businesses (see full list below).
3. Held 12 appointment days via Zoom, telephone and across all 4 valleys in 9 different venues meeting 219 groups and businesses to discuss potential applications.
4. Attended Funding Fayres organised by:
 - Vikki Howells MS
 - Stephen Kinnock MP
 - Buffy Williams MS/Chris Bryant MP
 - And lots of other events and training workshops with Interlink RCT / NPTCVS / RCTCBC / NPTCBC and others
5. We welcomed a new Board member Dr Jamie Smith ([Pen y Cymoedd welcomes new Board member Jamie and says goodbye and thanks to Victoria. – Pen Y Cymoedd Community Fund \(penycymoeddcic.cymru\)](#)) and appointed a new Chair, Thomas Tudor Jones ([PEN Y CYMOEDD WIND FARM COMMUNITY FUND HAS A NEW CHAIR – Pen Y Cymoedd Community Fund \(penycymoeddcic.cymru\)](#))
6. We appointed Arts Factory Design, an amazing local social enterprise, to support our marketing.
7. Shayla returned from maternity leave and so the small (but very hardworking) staff team consists of:
 - Kate Breeze, executive Director
 - Holly Jones, Enterprise Support and Finance
 - Shayla Walsh, Project Support Officer

The staff team have led on all activities, engagement and applications and have attended everything from play area grand openings, choir concerts, community group birthday parties and much more.

Current Board of Directors and Staff team



The current Board of Directors are:

Thomas Tudor Jones (Chair of the Board)
Martin Veale (Treasurer)
Michelle Coburn-Hughes
Dr Jack James
Emma Shepherd
Liam Hull
Stephen Burt
Dr Jamie Smith

Day to day management of the fund is undertaken by our staff team of three:

Kate Breeze – Executive Director
Holly Jones – Enterprise Support and Finance Officer
Shayla Walsh – Project Support Officer





126

VISION FUND GRANT
£8,676,891.49



18

VISION FUND
GRANT/LOAN MIX
£960,194.08



6

VISION FUND
LOANS
£210,996.73



15

ROUNDS OF
MICRO FUND



£20,000

GIVEN TO FLOOD
SUPPORT VICTIMS



569

MICRO FUND
AWARDS MADE
DISTRIBUTING
GRANTS OF
£1,825,031.98



43

COVID GRANT
SURVIVAL GRANTS
AWARDED
£387,917.77



1338

APPOINTMENTS
HELD ACROSS 54
COMMUNITY
VENUES, including
ZOOM and telephone
appointments



26

COVID PROJECT
GRANTS AWARDED
£184,946.10

129

MICRO FUND
AND VISION FUND
AWARDS TO THE
NEATH VALLEY
£2,610,510.00

114

MICRO FUND
AND VISION FUND
AWARDS TO THE
AFAN VALLEY
£1,975,701.54

201

MICRO FUND
AND VISION FUND
AWARDS TO THE
CYNON VALLEY
£3,966,691.20

234

MICRO FUND
AND VISION FUND
AWARDS TO THE
RHONDDA VALLEY
£4,039,174.87



**PYC SUPPORTING GROUPS TO THRIVE
– TREORCHY MALE VOICE CHOIR**



Treorchy Male Voice Choir is famous across the world for their beautiful choral singing and have been based in Treorchy since 1947.

When they approached the fund early in 2023, they needed some help in placing Treorchy Male Choir firmly back on the world stage after a challenging year returning from Covid. The pandemic had reduced their numbers and badly affected their ability to perform and raise their own funds. We awarded them £3,000 to help with travel for their 20 or so engagements throughout 2023.

They now have close to 100 members again and are back on a firm footing and have just returned from two successful overseas tours in March/April 2024 to Monaco and Florida where concerts were sold out and they were proud ambassadors of Wales.

“Treorchy Male Choir is grateful to Vattenfall Pen y Cymoedd Wind Farm Community Fund for the valuable grant of £3,000 which assisted with our choir

**RESILIENT PUPIL PROGRAMME WITH
CALL OF THE WILD DEVELOPMENT
TRUST**



The Call of the Wild Development Trust were awarded £3,690 to deliver a successful Resilience Programme to 26 children at **Cwmnedd Primary school**.

Over a period of five days, they set the children challenging tasks working as part of a team. The week was structured around the 4 Cs of Control, Commitment, Challenge and Confidence. Each day was dedicated to one of these topics, with tasks specially designed to challenge them.

On the day dedicated to Commitment, they split the pupils into teams where they had to communicate with each other to build a section of a structure. At the end of the day, they realised that the section each team was building connected with all the other sections to form a ‘machine’. They were delighted when we set it in motion, ending with a cannon of confetti being released.

“Thank you so much from all the team at Call of the Wild Development Trust for your support. Our aim was to leave the

**NEW WELSH THEMED, BILINGUAL COFFEE
SHOP AWARDED £6,455.04 TO HELP WITH
START UP COSTS**



The applicant applied to the fund with the aspiration to open a Welsh themed bilingual coffee shop in the historic Aberdare Market, offering Welsh coffee, tea and other drinks along with food produced in Wales. The aim was to promote local and Welsh culture, the Welsh language and be a friendly place to meet.

We awarded them £6,455.04 to help with the business startup costs.

Despite a quiet opening period in January 2024, Helo Coffi is now going from strength to strength. Its compact size enables people to start or join in conversations with other customers and there is often a lively atmosphere. There are many new and returning customers. They source Welsh produce from other traders in Aberdare Market and are becoming an intrinsic member of the Aberdare Market Community.

“The funding from Pen y Cymoedd enabled me to convert an empty unit in Aberdare Market to a coffee shop and I was able to open Helo Coffi. My aim was to provide a friendly and inclusive space where people can come for food (locally sourced where possible) and conversation.

**Austringer Cider awarded £5,000 to help their
business keep up with the demand!**



Austringer Cider is daughter and father run cider making business based in the heart of the Afan Valley using locally sourced apples. They pick, press, ferment, blend, bottle, cap & label everything by hand. What started as a hobby quickly turned into a business and they needed specialist equipment to be able to produce enough to meet demand from online sales as well as all the food festivals they were being invited to.

They first approached the fund in 2021 to apply for funding to purchase equipment, which would allow them to expand on their experiments & product range and help with the development and sustainability of their newly launched business. We awarded them £4,928 to purchase the new equipment. The business grew, gaining popularity amongst cider enthusiasts, and with it so did the demand for the product.

They reapproached the fund in 2023 to upgrade their bottling system, to allow them to bottle their cider at a faster rate, ensuring that demand was being met. We were thrilled to award them £5,000 to allow them to continue to develop the business and are excited to see what the future holds for them.



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<p><i>travel by coach throughout the UK during 2023. Here we are in September 2023 travelling by coach to Covent Garden for the Ruth Madoc Memorial, which was a particular musical highlight.”</i></p>	<p><i>children with lasting memories, healthier mental and physical wellbeing, essential life skills and good habits to prepare them for the next stage of their lives and you have helped us to achieve this!”</i></p>	<p><i>Offering a bilingual Welsh/English customer service was also important to me. Helo Coffi is now a popular destination for both individuals and groups.”</i></p>	<p><i>" A big thank you to Pen y Cymoedd Wind Farm Community Fund CIC for all their support in funding our equipment so we can keep up with the demand benefitting businesses and organisations in the local area."</i></p>
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MICRO FUND - Round 15 – March 24

Type of Application	Organisation	Valley Activity would take place	Project Name	Award
MF Business	Kraken Clean	Neath	Carpet Cleaning	£6,494.44
MF Business	Ceri Pritchard Counselling Services	Neath	Start Up	£2,932.98
MF Business	Solo Presents Ltd	Neath	The growth of Solo Presents	£6,500.00
MF Business	Phill Godfrey Painting and Decorating Services	Neath	Spray Painting	£5,200.00
MF Business	Bramwood Timber Products	Neath	Manito telehandler	£6,500.00
MF Business	LK Cutz	Rhondda	LK Cutz Salon	£6,500.00
MF Business	MC Windows and Doors	Rhondda	Expansion	£6,500.00
MF Business	Rhondda Raw	Rhondda	Commercial Freezer Purchase	£6,500.00
MF Business	Speedy Ironing	Rhondda	Speedy Dry	£1,739.99
MF Business	Eco Shield	Rhondda	Accelerate our growth to secure a bright future!	£5,500.00
MF Business	The Best Café	Rhondda	Securing and renewing building rendering	£6,500.00
MF Business	Grey Trees Brewery	Cynon	Conicals	£6,500.00
MF Business	TP Hearing Ltd	Cynon	TP Hearing growth phase 1	£3,900.00
MF Business	Bec's Bakery	Cynon	Make my bakery more energy efficient	£3,000.00
MF Business	Busy Pins and Needles	Cynon	Sew, Craft and Create	£6,500.00
MF Business	Anrhegion Cymreig Cyf	Cynon	Celebrating Welsh Food and Culture / Dathlu Bwyd a Diwyliant	£4,807.36
MF Business	Stacked Street Food	Cynon	Stacked Street Food	£6,500.00
MF Business	Daisy Fresh Wales	Cynon	Daisy Fresh Wales Craft Classes	£1,480.00



MF Community	Pontneddfechan Old Age Pensioners Association	Neath	OAPs Get Out and About	£1,100.00
MF Community	VonCon	Neath	Fostering friendships through Tabletop Gaming	£1,100.00
MF Community	Friends of Craig Gwladus	Neath	Replacement of six Picnic benches.	£2,916.00
MF Community	Afan Valley Swimming Club	Afan	Swimming Club Growth	£4,452.00
MF Community	Pontrhydyfen RFC	Afan	New Sport and Community Hub	£6,500.00
MF Community	Pontrhydyfen Community Centre	Afan	Pontrhydyfen Community Centre Refurbishment and Hall Renaming	£6,275.00
MF Community	St Teilo	Afan	St Teilo Community Project	£4,841.82
MF Community	Friends of Darran Park Primary School	Rhondda	Darran Park Eco Hub	£5,346.95
MF Community	St Matthews Church	Rhondda	Little Cherubs Group	£1,836.80
MF Community	Ystradyfodwg Bowls Club	Rhondda	From Scruffbags to Models	£1,597.50
MF Community	Friends of Ferndale and Blaenllechau	Rhondda	Celebrate Ferndale and Blaenllechau	£2,400.00
MF Community	Rhondda Paddlers	Rhondda	Kayaking Ferndale Swimming Pool	£2,365.55
MF Community	Rhondda Sub Aqua Club	Rhondda	Scotland training 2025	£1,100.00
MF Community	Rhondda Swimming Club	Rhondda	Building a sustainable future	£2,288.00
MF Community	Treherbert Old Age	Rhondda	Treherbert OAP Finishing Line	£2,550.00
MF Community	Dare Valley Flyers Netball Club	Cynon	Dare Valley Flyers Netball Club	£2,000.00
MF Community	Llwydcoed Community Centre	Cynon	Llwydcoed Community Centre	£6,500.00
MF Community	Rhigos Carnival Society	Cynon	Storage Container	£2,394.00
MF Community	Aberdare Amateur Boxing Club	Cynon	Aberdare ABC Community Fight Night 2024 / 25	£3,050.00
MF Community	Forget Me Not Chorus	Cynon	FMNC Singing Strong Care Homes: Aberdare	£3,792.00
MF Community	Active Wales Cwmdare	Cynon	Happy Days are Coming	£440.00
MF Community	Mountain Ash Fly Fishers Association	Cynon	Wheelyboat Restoration	£3,066.00
MF Community	Rhigos RFC	Cynon	Pitch & Pitch side	£4,464.04
MF Community	Aberdare RFC	Cynon	Aberdare RFC Clubhouse	£6,500.00
MF Community	Hirwaun and Penderyn Community Council	Cynon	Welcome signage for Hirwaun and Penderyn	£3,250.00
MF Community	Cwmdare Miners Welfare Club	Cynon	New Door	£3,000.00



MICRO FUND - Round 14 – September 23

Type of Application	Organisation	Valley Activity would take place	Project Name	Award
MF Business	Colin Deans Butchers	Rhondda	Shop Renovation	£5,860.00
MF Business	The Flower Shop	Rhondda	NEW WINDOWS AND DOOR / NEW SIGNAGE	£2,738.00
MF Business	Nature's Pantry	Cynon	Refrigeration	£2,158.80
MF Business	New Road Garage	Rhondda	Lift me up	£6,408.00
MF Business	Willis Bespoke Ltd	Rhondda	New Workshop Roof	£4,000.00
MF Business	Ian J. Currie	Neath	Essays on the History of Glynneath	£600.00
MF Business	Helo Coffi	Cynon	Helo Coffi	£6,455.04
MF Business	Tumbleweed	Neath	Business Expansion	£1,725.97
MF Business	End of The Line Tattoo Studio	Rhondda	"The End of the Line revamp"	£1,959.18
MF Business	EcoServ Cleaning	Cynon	Solar Panel & Cladding Cleaning	£5,741.00
MF Business	Our Space	Rhondda	I Hear You!	£5,000.00
MF Business	Shake, Waffle and Cone	Cynon	Gelato Making and Training	£6,203.99
MF Business	Glynneath Bakery	Neath	Glynneath Bakery - Phase 1, Delivering a service for the needs of the community...	£5,630.02
MF Business	Anna's Rollers	Cynon	Anna's Rollers	£2,980.00
MF Business	G Butler at Your Service	Rhondda	Let's gets into Landscaping	£1,051.57
MF Business	Talbot Truffles	Afan	Talbot Truffles	£1,292.46
MF Business	Ceridwen Mai Designs	Neath	Ceridwen Mai Designs	£3,193.00
MF Business	BlueBox Removals & Transport	Cynon	BlueBox Removals & Transport	£5,000.00
MF Business	ShakaFlo	Cynon	Enhancing Aerial Inspections with Professional Drone Technology to Boost Business Opportunities	£4,179.00
MF Business	Julie the Stitch	Rhondda	Julie the Stitch - Sewing tuition and supplies	£4,500.00



MF Community	Friends of Capcoch Primary	Cynon	Stand 2gether Stronger 4ever	£4,500.00
MF Community	Call of the Wild Development Trust CIC	Neath	Resilient Pupil Programme	£3,690.00
MF Community	Abergorki Community Hall	Rhondda	Disabled Toilets	£5,000.00
MF Community	Pontrhydyfen Miner's Welfare Scheme	Afan	The installation of a handrail at the side of Pontrhydyfen Community Centre to improve access to the Bowling Green, Children's Playground and Wildlife area	£2,160.00
MF Community	Gwynfi Bowls Club	Afan	Drop Seeder	£630.00
MF Community	Aberdare RFC Mini and Junior Section	Cynon	Equipping the future	£3,779.95
MF Community	Cynon Valley Netball Club	Cynon	CV Netball	£4,557.00
MF Community	Burton Bont Festival	Afan	Who lived in my house? A look at the past and the present to create an accessible record for the future	£1,427.73
MF Community	Showcase Sioe Gerdd	Cynon	Local production of Made In Dagenham	£5,000.00
MF Community	Pendyrus Gala Community	Rhondda	Pendyrus Male Choir Centenary 3 day Festival	£6,462.43
MF Community	Celtic Archers	Neath	The 3 'R's	£694.00
MF Community	Coeden Bywyd Horse Project	Afan	Hoof Beats	£5,760.00
MF Community	Tonmawr Rugby Football Club	Afan	Mini Flail Mower Collector	£5,908.50
MF Community	Upper Cwmparc Allotments	Rhondda	Culvert and Cultivate	£3,190.00
MF Community	Glyncorwg Hall AFC	Afan	Phase 1 - Heating up our Showers!	£3,750.00
MF Community	Neath Valley Music Club	Neath	Neath Valley Music Club	£345.00
MF Community	Welcome To Our Woods	Rhondda	Christmas Lights to support Treherbert High Street	£5,561.59
MF Community	Friends of the Town Hall Glynneath	Neath	Glynneath Town Hall Mural Project	£3,275.00
MF Community	Green Footprints Neath	Neath	Community Communication and Appreciation	£2,871.00
MF Community	Jeremy Clancy (in collaboration with Beth Winter MP)	Cynon	Being at the forefront of transformational change – the story of Cynon Valley: past, present and future	£6,500.00
MF Community	Hot Jam CIC	Cynon	Hot Jam Music Academy	£6,080.20
MF Community	Cymer Afan Community Library	Afan	Coffee for All	£4,194.00
MF Community	RCT Gladiators Basketball Club	Rhondda	RCT Gladiators Development	£1,799.98
MF Community	Pontrhydyfen RFC	Afan	Pelenna Saxonettes - women's touch rugby team	£910.00



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MF Community	Glyncorwg RFC Friday Darts	Afan	Friday Night Darts	£707.25
MF Community	Friends of Parc Primary	Rhondda	Community and Family Hub	£5,298.06
MF Community	Gwyl Mabon	Rhondda	Gwyl Mabon	£5,893.00
MF Community	Cymmer School Community Garden	Afan	Growing in the Garden	£1,100.00
MF Community	Spring Valley Paddlers	Neath	Spring Valley Paddlers Community Development	£3,600.00
MF Community	New Horizons Mental Health	Cynon	Consultation on New Horizons outreach services	£2,552.00
MF Community	Too Good To Waste	Rhondda	Ebay Vintage New Look	£4,349.00
MF Community	Old School Tea Rooms	Rhondda	Old School Tea Rooms	£6,500.00
MF Community	Blaenycwm Chapel	Rhondda	Adfywiad	£2,450.00
MF Community	13th Cwmgwrach Scouts Group	Neath	Scouts Go Green!	£3,965.00
MF Community	Resolven Rugby Football and Cricket Club	Neath	Double trouble	£4,537.51
MF Community	Ynyswen Miners Welfare Hall	Rhondda	Saving Energy	£5,840.00



VISION FUND *(not all included as some pending until conditions met)*

Organisation	Location	Project Name	Year	Loan, Grant or Loan/Grant Mix	Grant	Loan
Fern Partnership	Rhondda	Rhondda Fach Digital Community Screen and Support	2024	Grant	£82,471.00	£0.00
Valleys Kids	Rhondda	Families Together at Penyreglyn Community Wellbeing Hub	2024	Grant	£26,000.00	£0.00
Class Act Tutoring	Across Neath and Cynon	Class Act Tutoring new business start up	2024	Loan / Grant Mix	£6,500.00	£11,419.11
Cynon Valley Museum Trust	Cynon	Development Manager Post	2024	Grant	£26,000.00	£0.00
Caring Community of Capcoch	Cynon	Cap y Gymuned	2024	Grant	£24,800.00	£0.00
Library+ Cymer Library	Afan	Consolidating and Planning for our future	2024	Grant	£26,000.00	£0.00
NPT CVS	Across Neath and Afan	Supporting our communities 2024-2027	2024	Grant	£150,000.00	£0.00
SEW Rivers Trust	Rhondda	Afon Rhondda / River Rhondda	2024	Grant	£83,301.00	£0.00
Cynon Valley Church Cornerstone	Cynon	Supporting us to support our community	2024	Grant	£36,530.00	£0.00
Pontrhydyfen Weight Training Association	Afan	Project Upgrade	2024	Grant	£6,500.00	£0.00
Cymmer Bowls Club	Afan	Smarten Up & Celebrate Our Centenary	2024	Grant	£20,750.00	£0.00
Arts Factory	Rhondda	Sow and Grow	2024	Grant	£26,000.00	£0.00
Treherbert Pharmacy	Rhondda	Treherbert Pharmacy	2024	Loan / Grant Mix	£6,500.00	£19,500.00
Dallaglio Rugby Works	Rhondda and Cynon	Every Child Every Chance	2024	Grant	£35,500.00	£0.00



GTFM	Rhondda and Cynon	Valleys Go Digital!	2024	Grant	£47,500.00	£0.00
Vale Of Neath Community Leisure Ltd (Trainstation Gym, Glynneath)	Neath	Fire and Ice	2023	Loan / Grant Mix	£6,500.00	£18,867.00
EESW - Engineering Education Scheme Wales Ltd	Across all valleys	Wind Turbine Construction Workshop	2023	Grant	£24,752.25	£0.00
Initiative for Nature Conservation Cymru (INCC)	Across all valleys	Saving our Water Voles	2023	Grant	£124,052.30	£0.00
Rhondda Arts Festival	Rhondda	Rhondda Arts Festival 2024-2026	2023	Grant	£60,000.00	£0.00
Abercwmboui RFC	Cynon	Club Upgrades	2023	Grant	£13,700.00	£0.00
Our Aberdare BID	Cynon	The BID Manager needs a Digital Town Manager!	2023	Grant	£20,677.00	£0.00
AFC Llwydcoed	Cynon	Securing the future	2023	Grant	£126,254.55	£0.00
NRW (Neurological Rehabilitation Wales)	Across all valleys	Strengthening Life	2023	Grant	£61,117.00	£0.00
Citizen's Advice RCT	Cynon and Rhondda	Connecting Communities to Advice and Support	2023	Grant	£131,597.02	£0.00
Turning the Wheel	Rhondda	Turning the Wheel	2023	Grant	£19,200.00	£0.00
Kingsward Ltd	Rhondda	Software for the Future	2023	Loan / Grant Mix	£6,500.00	£19,018.00
Pontrhydyfen Bowls	Afan	Bowls For Everyone – Community Green & Pavilion Redevelopment	2023	Grant	£26,000.00	£0.00
Aberdare Market	Cynon	The Town Market	2023	Grant	£12,200.00	£0.00
Down to Zero	Cynon	Cwmbach Wetlands	2023	Grant	£40,000.00	£0.00
NPT CVS	Across Neath and Afan	Supporting Communities Phase 2	2023	Grant	£64,604.00	£0.00



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Cranfield Trust	Across all valleys	Stronger Charities, Stronger Communities	2023	Grant	£64,050.00	£0.00
Coco Candles and Coffee	Cynon	Cocos Coffee and Candles	2023	Loan / Grant Mix	£6,500.00	£37,600.05
Cwmparc Community Association	Rhondda	Community Spaces for the Future	2023	Grant	£110,502.00	£0.00
Cynon Linc	Cynon	Cynon Linc Phase 2 Growth Project	2023	Grant	£188,664.00	£0.00
Pelenna Community Council	Afan	Bringing Johns Terrace Play Area into the 21st Century!!	2023	Grant	£96,520.00	£0.00



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THE ESSENTIAL WAREHOUSE: A COMMUNITY BASED PROJECT AT CYNON VALLEY CHURCH CWMBACH AWARDED £36,530 AS PART OF £48,000 PROJECT TO RENDER, REPAIR, REDECORATE AND ADD SOLAR PANELS



Cornerstone Church is the proud home of the essential warehouse, a vital community initiative that serves as a lifeline, providing free and essential items to individuals and families in need within the Cynon Valley. Managed by dedicated local volunteers, this project not only meets tangible needs but also contributes to building a sense of confidence, self-esteem, and worth among participants, fostering a stronger and more resilient community.

Why we supported:

- Community spaces (indoor and outdoor) that align with community needs
- (space for young people, health hubs, usability for the disabled etc.)
- Fit for purpose buildings and spaces
- Provide sustainable community facilities and transport for groups of all ages
- to meet
- A sustainable network of well used community buildings

The centre is constantly bustling with fun and social activities, but they also give vital support through a food bank, clothing bank, and numerous other outreach programmes. What they excel at doing is determining what the community needs and bringing in support services to provide it. They do this with Barnados, the local authority, citizen advice, and local housing support, among other services. If they are unable to assist, they will know of someone who will be willing to take the time to support you through difficult times.

“They are small and committed community group in the heart of the Cynon Valley, who take pride in their mission to provide unwavering support to those who need it most within the local community. We love what they are delivering and their commitment and passion to supporting the community in all ways but they need a fit for purpose building and costs under control to deliver that and so we are thrilled to support them.” – Kate Breeze, Pen y Cymoedd

“First, we would like to thank you all at Pen y Cymoedd for believing in us. Your constant support and encouragement made what sometimes felt impossible and challenging, possible. The funding we have received from you is without doubt a lifeline to us. In turn being a lifeline to others, helping many in the community to receive the support they deserve. We serve a community with multifaceted needs, and we work hard to meet those needs in many ways. We do not judge but offer love and support to those who seek our help.

The Solar Panels will not only help reduce our running costs but will reduce our carbon footprint, which is also important, as our planet needs our love and support also. Being able to renew the wall outside which is letting the rain in from many areas, will also reduce the need of so much heating. Cosmetically making the coffee room more appealing and comfortable. The vision for the CVC Essential warehouse Cornerstone Cwmbach is growing and we are growing with it, but we cannot do it on our own;

by joining together we can make a difference. Without your support we could not do what we do! Thank you again from Pastor Dan, The Elders myself and our amazing team. God Bless” – Libby and the team at Cornerstone

£25,518 IN LOAN/GRANT COMBINATION AWARDED TO KINGSWARD LTD. TO FUND EQUIPMENT UPDATE FOR A THIRTY-YEAR-OLD MANUFACTURING BUSINESS SITUATED IN FERNDALE THAT AIMS TO PROTECT EXISTING JOBS AND CREATE NEW ONES.

Based in Ferndale, Kingsward Ltd. is a thirty-year-old manufacturing company with a focus on tube manipulation, laser cutting, sheet bending, welding, milling/turning, and powder coating. Following the recent acquisition of Kingsward Ltd. by a new management team, the company is transitioning to new, more effective IT and computer systems, which will allow them to greatly increase production. This will grow the company, generate new job opportunities in Ferndale, and support the 24 current jobs. Their goal is to become Ferndale’s biggest employer and make a good contribution to the local community.

Why we supported:

“The fund is committed to supporting initiatives that help develop and expand local businesses, particularly if the investment from the fund will help sustain jobs and growth and their proposal clearly showed the impact of investing in new systems on being able to upscale production.” – Holly Jones, Enterprise Support, PyC
“Good news we have subsequently employed 7 more people furthering our growth.” Will Kinder, Managing Director, Kingsward Ltd.



If you have any questions on what we have been supporting or any ideas / comments you want to share we would be pleased to hear from you!

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