

Report of Head of Decarbonisation**Subject: Sustainable Development Fund Update****Purpose of Report**

To provide an update on current projects and the financial position for the Fund.

Background

The Sustainable Development Fund is a fund supporting community projects in and around the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. The Fund supports community projects that contribute towards a reduction in carbon and help respond to the climate emergency.

1. SDF Finance Report**1. 2 Current Financial Commitments - Projects Currently Running:**

SDF Ref	Applicant	Grant Awarded (£)	Grant Paid (£)	Grant Re-remaining 16/09/2026	Remarks
SDF/042023/6	Caerhys Organic Community Agriculture	12,028	10,825	1,202	On hold
SDF/012026/2	Yr Hen Ysgol Dinas	11000	0	11000	PV panels arrived 21/9/26, the roof has been replaced. The hall was hoping to be completed earlier but there were slight delays with contractors.

					Aiming to complete final report October.
Total Grants Outstanding				12,202	

1.3 Map of Approved Projects

[SDF Projects - Pembrokeshire Coast National Park](#)

1.4 Projects Completed since January 2026

[SDF/032022/1 Lawrenny Shop CIC](#)

[SDF/12026/10 Transition Bro Gwaun](#)

[SDF/12026/3 Wildlife Trust of South and West Wales \(WTSWW\)](#)

[SDF/12026/9 St Davids City Council](#)

[SDF/12026/7 Angle Village Hall](#)

1.5 SDF Financial Position 2025/26

Funding available for 2025/26

A total of £36,669 has been made available for grant distribution from the Welsh Government Sustainable Landscapes Sustainable Places Fund 2025/26.

In addition, an underspend of £755 from grants that have completed and closed over the last 12 months brings the total funding available for our next round of funding (January 2027 committee) distribution to **£37,424**.

We propose to open the next funding round in October/ November for assessment in December and January 2027 grants committee.

2. Recommendation of Support to SDF fund from Community Energy Pembrokeshire (CEP)

Community Energy Pembrokeshire (CEP) has offered a financial contribution of £10,000 to support local community initiatives through the SDF grants programme. The funding comes through the distribution of profit from the operation of the Prouts Park Turbine in East Williamston.

The proposed funding would be added to the existing grant budget and distributed through the Committee's established assessment and approval processes. Acceptance of this

contribution would increase the resources available to local groups and maximise the impact of grant funding within the community while maintaining existing governance and accountability arrangements.

The Grants Committee is requested to approve acceptance of the funding and its incorporation into the local grants pot for distribution in accordance with the Programme's agreed criteria.

3. Outstanding SDF Project

Due to unforeseen personal circumstances a project has not been delivered as originally intended. Despite the efforts of officers, it seems unlikely that the project will be delivered.

More details will be provided at the meeting.

Having considered the value of the grant, together with the likely costs of recovery through legal means, officer time requirements, and the risk to the wellbeing of the individuals concerned, officers do not consider formal recovery action to be proportionate or represent value for money.

Recommendation: That the Committee approves the write-off of the outstanding grant funding and agree the formal closure of the project.

Background Documents:

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