

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FUND COMMITTEE
28th January 2015

REPORT OF SDF ADMINISTRATOR

**SUBJECT:
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FUND UPDATE REPORT**

Background

The Sustainable Development Fund (SDF) supports innovative sustainable projects that develop and test new ways of achieving a more sustainable living for current and future generations. The funding is to assist projects that focus on demonstrating practical solutions relevant to environmental, social, cultural and economic aspects of life.

Projects can range from locally based to those applying across the National Park or a wider area.

Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority (PCNPA) administers the fund according to operational guidelines stipulated by the Welsh Government (WG).

The SDF Committee is responsible for considering all applications for financial assistance in connection with the SDF and to monitor and review the scheme

Project Applications

There are six new applications for consideration:

SDF 0346 – Solva Care (Solva Community Council)

Funding is required to support the two year pilot phase of the Solva Care Community Project, which will improve the health and well-being of local residents. A part time Coordinator will be appointed to work with teams of volunteers to establish the best ways of working at a local level to deliver a full programme of care to members of the community in need of help.

Funding is sought over two financial years: 2015/16 and 2016/17

SDF 0347 – Off Grid Street Food (The Pembrokeshire Beach Food Company Ltd)

This project seeks funding to help develop the UK's first off-grid mobile catering outlet at Freshwater West. To achieve this and operate without the need for an onsite generator the mobile unit will require modification to include the installation of photovoltaic panels, a wind turbine, a battery pack and DC/LPG compatible catering equipment.

Funding is sought in the financial year 2015/16.

Grant assistance approved for this project will be State aid as defined under Articles 87 and 88 of The Treaty of Rome and would therefore be offered as 'de minimis' aid under the Commission Regulation (EC) No 1407/2013

SDF 0348 – Medieval Kiln Project (Newport Memorial Hall)

This community project requires funding to assist in conserving a medieval pottery (15th Century) kiln, creating a new cultural heritage attraction and provision of a

complimentary and diverse programme of community engagement activities and workshops.

Funding is sought in the financial year 2015/16.

SDF 0349 – Dr Beynon’s Bug Farm: Phase 3 (Dr Beynon’s Bug Farm)

Funding is sought for Phase 3 development of Dr Beynon’s Bug Farm project which will build on Phases 1 and 2 to deliver an exceptional, year-round, all weather experience for tourists, the local community, schools, colleges and universities. This phase will see the opening of the Bug Farm to the public and in addition to on-site bug hunts, guided walks, workshops and discussion events will include: a tropical walk-through Bug House, a Pembrokeshire (temperate) walk-through Bug House, a Cocoon constructed from an old grain silo and a ticket office/shop and gallery.

Funding is sought in the financial year 2015/16.

Grant assistance approved for this project will be State aid as defined under Articles 87 and 88 of The Treaty of Rome and would therefore be offered as ‘de minimis’ aid under the Commission Regulation (EC) No 1407/2013

SDF 0350 – Grub (Grub)

This project seeks funding to complete refurbishment of a restaurant, seating and interactive engagement area that will champion and promote eating insects (entomophagy). It will challenge convention about how the majority of people in the developed world think about the food we eat and increase awareness and positively promote this innovative and sustainable alternative to conventionally farmed sources of protein.

Funding is sought in the financial year 2015/16.

Grant assistance approved for this project will be State aid as defined under Articles 87 and 88 of The Treaty of Rome and would therefore be offered as ‘de minimis’ aid under the Commission Regulation (EC) No 1407/2013

**SDF 0351 – Marine Energy – Education Development and Fisheries
Diversification (Pembrokeshire Coastal Forum)**

Funding is sought to assist delivery of an engagement programme to raise awareness of the marine energy potential of the sea surrounding Pembrokeshire and specifically opportunities for socio-economic benefit. The project will focus on young people and the local fishing community to raise awareness of potential involvement and opportunities by delivering a new education programme and holding targeted stakeholder events.

Funding is sought in the financial year 2015/16.

Project summaries of the six projects above, together with the full applications and supporting documentation are provided in the meeting pack. Additional supporting documentation, namely commercially confidential Business Plans and detailed financial

appendices, are available for projects SDF 0349 and SDF 0350. Copies may be obtained by contacting the SDF Officer.

Project Changes Update

SDF 0339– Dr Beynon’s Bug Farm Phase II

Original Total Project Value	Amended Total Project Value	SDF Grant Approved	SDF Grant paid to date
£563,869	£298,573*	£107,500	£105,902

*Amended figure excludes the purchase of agricultural land for conservation and habitat restoration

Phase I of Dr Beynon’s Bug Farm project established an education and outreach programme on the importance of insects and also undertaking scientific research in connection with breeding dung beetles for key ecosystems services. This Phase II project is enabling the enterprise to develop into a farm delivering conservation through research, innovation and education.

In accordance with the decision made by the Committee at the SDF Committee meeting on 17th September 2014 the SDF grant was re-issued to Dr Beynon’s Bug Farm Ltd to take into account the required amendment to project finances and ensure clarity of compliance with State Aid Regulation.

SDF 0320 – Woodlands and Wetlands Project Manager

Total Project Value	SDF Grant Approved	SDF Grant paid to date
£183,430	£45,000	£25,840

Funding was approved to contribute towards the employment of a project manager by Pembroke 21C, CIC (Community Interest Company). The position was required to further develop a woodland and wetland training programme and volunteering opportunities at a woodland and willow coppice site. Also to realise revenue raising opportunities, establish a sustainable corporate social responsibility scheme and seek opportunities to carry out similar work on other sites.

Since commencement of this three year project in April 2012 the project has been significantly delayed and for a number of reasons, financial and operational, struggled to deliver some of the originally specified project outcomes, i.e. to develop and deliver the training programme as anticipated and to the number of trainees hoped for.

A new Project Manager is now in post following the departure of the latest of two previous Managers in July 2014. An alternative source of match funding has been confirmed and a revised project plan, targets and financial information agreed for the remainder of the SDF project funding period, which comes to an end on 31st March 2015.

Despite the significant underspend of estimated expenditure last year (>£10,000) it therefore now looks likely that the project will claim the £10,000 committed to it this financial year (2014-15).

SDF 0329 – eduCAT

Total Project Value	SDF Grant Approved	SDF Grant paid to date
£116,871	£59,271	£12,933

The eduCAT (education catalyst) project is engaging with all secondary schools in Pembrokeshire to offer pupils from complete year groups the chance to develop innovative and practical solutions to sustainability challenges, put forward by local businesses or organizations. With guidance they take into account social economic and environmental considerations and develop their ideas into a business plan that is presented back to the challenge setter.

Workshop delivery commenced in September 2013 but despite indicated interest from all eight schools, conflicting school priorities, examination pressures, welsh baccalaureate re-structuring and organisational difficulties meant that initially only half took up the eduCAT offer. This resulted in an underspend of estimated funding (>£10,000) in 2013-14.

In an attempt to increase uptake, the workshops that initially were only intended for Year groups 11, 12 and 13 have been modified so that they can be offered to other secondary year groups. Modifications to the programme have also been made to take some of the best participants for industry days in conjunction with the challenge setters and to provide teachers with more preparatory and follow up support.

Match funding for the project has now been secured and the project finances, milestones, targets and programme uptake re-evaluated, leading to the conclusion that of the £20,317 committed to the project in 2014-15 approximately £19,000 is likely to be claimed.

SDF 0345 – Biomass Firewood Kiln

Total Project Value	SDF Grant Approved	SDF Grant paid to date
£27,720	£11,760	£0.00

Funding for this project, which involves the construction of a firewood kiln to be fuelled by biomass, was approved by the SDF Committee in September 2014. The project was due to have completed by the end of March 2015 but obtaining planning permission for the kiln is proving more difficult than anticipated. An extension to the project timescale has therefore been agreed. The grantee has been in preliminary discussion with a Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority Planning Officer and has employed and is taking advice from a Planning Consultant. It may be necessary to site the kiln at an alternative location which is in fact just outside the National Park Area.

The kiln will be constructed from a super insulated shipping container with an electric ventilation/humidity/temperature control system. The heat source will be underfloor heating supplied by solar thermal energy and a biomass boiler. The tree working

activities will provide a sustainable local base material which will be sold on as kiln dried firewood. During the processing of the firewood, a large amount of waste material (not suitable to be sold on) is also produced and this will be used to fire the kiln. Lasting impacts of the project will be a sustainable local business, employment and sustainable woodland management that will protect habitats and biodiversity.

Project Progress Update

Summary detail of all current projects and their progress is provided in Annex II. More detail on any project is available upon request.

SDF Financial position

This financial year (2014-15) the £200,000 ring fence by Welsh Government for SDF Projects was lifted to allow the PCNPA flexibility to manage its reduction in overall funding allocation. As a consequence **£100,000** was the figure allocated to support SDF projects.

In the absence of any confirmation of funding allocation from Welsh Government or any information to the contrary, this report will therefore assume the financial position to be the same for next year (2015-16) too.

There is no suggestion at this stage that there will be any significant underspend against estimated expenditure this financial year and hence no predicted carry forward of unclaimed funding to increase the figure of £100,000. In fact £25,659 is already committed to existing projects in 2015-16, which means that a maximum of £74,341 will be available to support new projects. Furthermore if £4,500 is allocated, as it was this financial year, to PAVS for funding Little Green Grants then only £69,841 will be available for new projects.

The table below shows that the six applications under consideration are requesting £110,676 of funding in total, over two financial years. In 2015 -16 they are cumulatively requesting £99,972. Even if we assume no allocation of funding for Little Green Grants there would be a deficit of £25,631 of available funds if the Committee decided that all applications should be approved. This potential shortfall would increase to £30,131 if Committee Members wish to continue to support a £4,500 allocation for Little Green Grants, which was the reduced figure approved for allocation in the 2014/15 financial year.

Application Reference	Planned 14-15 (£)	Planned 15-16 (£)	Planned 16-17 (£)	Total (£)
SDF 346		12,704	10,704	23,408
SDF 347		5,121		5,121
SDF 348		15,000		15,000
SDF 349		49,865		49,865
SDF 350		12,300		12,300
SDF 351		4,982		4,982
Total		99,972	10,704	110,676

The table below gives a summary financial position for the fund:-

	2012/13 (£)	2013/14 (£)	2014/15 (£)	2015/16 (£)	2016/17 (£)
WAG SDF grant	200,000	200,000	100,000	100,000	
Funding carried forward	121,274.7 6	86,631	33,018	0.00	
Total Funding available	321,274.7 6	286,631	133,018	100,000	
Little Green Grant	7,553.60	4,343	4,500	4,500	
SDF Admin costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
SDF committed spend	254,708.2 0	286,924	129,057	25,659	
Projects for consideration				99,972	10,704
Total paid to Projects	227,090.1 4	253,613	60,546*	0.00	
Refund	14,941**	-	-	-	
Balance/Uncommitted	86,631.02	33,018	-539	-30,131	

* Paid to date 2014-15

** SDF 0315 committed funding withdrawn

The table above shows that there is a slight over commitment (£-539) of funds for this year. In reality this is unlikely to present a problem because despite the fact that there is no significant underspend of funding estimate predicted the reality is that one or two projects may marginally underspend. The figures of £25,631 or £30,131 above do not therefore take this £-539 of over commitment into account but assumes that there will be no carryover or deficit of funds moving into 2015/16.

The above tables also show that £10,704 is requested by one of the projects under consideration for funding in 2016/17. Any project approval for funding beyond the 2015-16 financial year would have to be subject to the availability of future funds allocated from the Welsh Government.

A more detailed breakdown of the current financial position can be viewed in Annex 1

Little Green Grant – Funding for a sustainable Pembrokeshire

The **Little Green Grant (LGG)** helps to deliver the fundamental principles of the SDF. Applicants may apply for up to £1,500 towards a project. The grant is administered by Pembrokeshire Association of Voluntary Services (PAVS).

Seven applications have been received and of the seven received six have been approved for funding this financial year as shown in the table below:

Ref	Project Title	Applicant	Summary Description	Decision	Funding (£)
LGG-42	Dinas Circular Walks Leaflets	Dinas Community Forum	To print 2000 copies of each of six "Dinas Circular Walks" leaflets	Approved	884.00
LGG-43	Warren Wildflower Meadow	ESTEAM	To purchase a brush cutter and turn 0.6 acres into a wildflower meadow	Approved	1,251.85
LGG-44	Community bread making day	Community Choice and Inclusion	To set up and run a community bread baking day for the communities of Rosebush and Mynachlog Ddu	Approved	460.00
LGG-45	Drawn Treads (Reclaiming Pembrokeshire in Glass)	Narberth Museum	Community participation to create a glass quilt made out of recycled glass, telling the story of the PCNP by the people who live here. The finished piece of art will be on display in the museum.	Approved (although not at level of funding requested)	686.45
LGG-46	LED lighting PATCH Headquarters	PATCH	To install new LED lighting into their new premises from which food, clothing and household items are donated to those in need throughout Pembrokeshire	Approved (although not at level of funding requested)	686.46
LGG-47	Car Clubs on the Move	Cilgwyn Community Group	To fund administrative assistance to secure the	Refused (due to a lack of sufficiently	0.00

			installation of electric car charge points, initially outside 4 community buildings. Also to establish use of the charge points including setting up car clubs.	detailed information supplied)	
LGG-48	Stackpole Gardens Works Improvements	Pembrokeshire Mencap Ltd	To purchase an aluminium demountable scaffold tower to assist safe cropping and pruning and ongoing maintenance at the gardens where Mencap provide training, personal development and support to persons with learning difficulties.	Approved	531.24
				TOTAL	£4,500

Two of the applications considered were not allocated the full amount of LGG funding requested because there was insufficient funding left available within the £4,500 allocation to support all the projects to the level requested.

PAVS are waiting to hear confirmation of available funding for LGG in 2015-16 before setting application deadlines.

A summary of LGG finances is provided in the following table:

	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
Committed to PAVS for LGG Projects	£6,000.00	£6,000	£4,500
Money committed to approved projects	£7,553.60	£2,950	£4,500
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Balance	£1,553.60	£3,050	£0.00

Date of Next SDF Committee Meetings

Wednesday 20th May 2015

Annex 1

	SDF Projects	Project value	SDF funding	Intervention rate	SDF paid to date	Planned 12/13	Planned 13/14	Planned 14/15	Planned 15/16	Planned 16/17
303	Stackpole Gardens Centre Pembrokeshire Mencap Ltd	315301.50	110451.75	35.03%	110451.75	38984.23	0.00	0.00		
313	Newport Community Energy Project Newport Memorial Hall	131744.00	47158.40	35.80%	46713.05	46713.05	0.00	0.00		
314	Development of Building Components for Ty Unnos Coed Cymru	120000.00	60000.00	50.00%	59999.55	36000.00	0.00	0.00		
315	Martletwy Sustainable Community Project LMN 2000	29882.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
316	Wise up on Waste Darwin Centre	12789.00	5600.00	43.79%	5066.61	2800.00	3115.00	0.00		
317	Green Apple Cross-Education Green Apple Cross	6230.00	3115.00	50.00%	3115.25	3115.00	0.00	0.00		
318	Guide to Sustainable Tourism in PCNP Greentraveller Ltd	7500.00	3250.00	43.33%	3250.00	3250.00	0.00	0.00		
319	ReFarm Eco Centre Wales	94591.00	46781.00	49.46%	17481.50	17481.50	0.00	0.00		
320	Woodlands and Wetlands Project Manager Pembroke 21C CIC	183430.00	45000.00	24.53%	25839.18	20000.00	22772.97	10000.00		
321	Mobile Application and Integrated Web Interface for Dragonflies WWBIC	8195.00	3968.06	48.42%	3798.36	1674.94	786.64	0.00		
322	Cemaes Himilayan Balsam eradication Project 2012 St Dogmaels Community Assoc.	20453.00	9719.00	47.52%	9431.71	9431.71	0.00	0.00		
323	Economic Valuation of Marine Recreation Activity Pembrokeshire Coastal Forum	41650.00	20650.00	49.58%	20650.00	20650.00	2065.00	0.00		
324	Marine Wildlife Awareness Schools Road Show Pembs Marine SAC	4958.00	2400.00	48.41%	2400.00	1700.00	1600.00	0.00		
325	Walking with Wheels PCNPA	50450.00	21860.00	43.33%	19526.00	12360.00	10338.00	0.00		
326	Wyndrush Wild Meadow Seed Wyndrush Wild Products	14270.40	7135.20	50.00%	7135.20	7135.20	0.00	0.00		
327	Affordable Solar Homes Western Solar Ltd	143000.00	47000.00	32.87%	47000.00	18472.32	28527.68	0.00		

328	Cemaes Himilayan Balsam eradication Project 2013 St Dogmaels Community Assoc.	27260.00	13670.00	50.15%	13217.65	0.00	13670.00	0.00		
329	eduCAT TYF Connect	116870.88	57840.88	49.49%	12932.91	0.00	20316.80	18886.80	13977.96	
330	Options appraisal for community regeneration 4CG Ltd	42332.50	10000.00	23.62%	6091.00	0.00	10000.00	3909.00		
331	COCA Polytunnel COCA	6442.00	3474.00	53.93%	3474.00	0.00	3474.00	0.00		
334	Waste Paper and Card to Biomass solid fuel Polypembs Ltd	58645.00	28000.00	47.74%	28000.00	0.00	28000.00	3000.00		
335	Dr Beynon's Bug Farm Phase 1 Dr Beynon's Bug Farm Ltd	25474.38	10727.18	42.11%	10666.90	0.00	10727.18	3579.04		
336	Regency Hall Community Regeneration Regency Hall	74008.00	37872.00	51.17%	36359.42	0.00	37872.00	0.00		
338	Green Key Pilot Keep Wales Tidy	31960.00	15000.00	46.93%	5159.85	0.00	8000.00	10171.15		
339	Dr Beynon's Bug Farm Phase 11 Dr Beynon's Bug Farm Ltd	563869.30	107500.00	19.06%	105901.67	0.00	75000.00	32500.00		
340	Passive Window and Door Manufacturing Area Thomas Joinery Ltd	62010.00	31005.00	50.00%	31004.98	0.00	0.00	17057.60		
343	A stitch in Time PCNPA	51625.90	25318.25	49.04%	0.00	0.00	0.00	13637.30	11680.95	
344	Marine Code - Caldey Island Buoyage PCF	10006.08	4556.08	45.53%	0.00	0.00	0.00	4556.08		
345	Biomass Firewood Kiln LM Tree Solutions	27720.00	11760.00	42.42%	0.00	0.00	0.00	11760.00		
	TOTALS	2282667.94	790811.80	12.23	634666.54	239767.95	276265.27	129056.97	25658.91	0.00
	SDF Deferred Projects									
	Total									
	Projects for consideration					Planned 12-13	Planned 13-14	Planned 14-15	Planned 15-16	Planned 16-17
346	Solva Care Solva Community Council								12,704.00	10,704.00
347	Off Grid Street Food Pembs Beach Food Co Ltd								5,120.69	
348	Medieval Kiln Newport Memorial Hall								15,000.00	
349	Dr Beynon's Bug Farm Phase 3 Dr Beynon's Bug Farm Ltd								49,865.00	
350	Grub Grub								12,300.00	
351	Marine Energy - Education and Fisheries Pembrokeshire Coastal Forum								4,981.55	
	Total								99971.24	10704.00

SDF Projects – Summary Table

Annex II

Ref SDF	Project	Applicant	Brief Description	Progress	Total Project Value (£)	Grant Approved (£)	Grant Paid (£)
0320	Woodlands and Wetlands Project Manager	Pembroke 21C, CIC	Employment of a project manager to further develop a woodland and wetland training programme and volunteering opportunities at a woodland and willow coppice site. Also to further develop revenue raising opportunities, establish a sustainable corporate social responsibility scheme and seek opportunities to carry out similar work on other sites.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new Project Manager (the third appointee) was appointed in August. • Funding for a minibus was secured from other sources. • Lease for additional land and buildings at Greenhill farm have been secured. This will be the operational base and a website is currently under development. • Match funding and other staff shortages compounded by a shortfall in predicted income from willow sales are placing strain on outcome delivery. • Regular work parties involving volunteers have been taking place at Kingmill wood, Hentland Farm and Greenhill Farm delivering general woodland management, including control of Himalayan Balsam, coppicing willow and planting willow, planting a new orchard and biodiversity monitoring. • The training programme has been significantly delayed because the TCV charity operations ceased in Wales. After notification agreement was given to train trainers to a higher level. 2 trainers have therefore completed OCN level 3 and have commenced CTLLS. Once their work is verified they will be able to train to OCN level 	183,430	45,000	25,839

				<p>2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently working on development of a training programme to deliver and obtaining verification for the trainers to start delivering the planned programme. • Sale of firewood is taking place from Greenhill Farm and Foundry House • Work to develop the carbon sequestration benefits of the site has not yet commenced 			
329	eduCAT	TYF Connect	<p>The eduCAT (education catalyst) project takes actual sustainability challenges, which are being experienced by business or public sector organizations, into the County's secondary schools. Pupils are encouraged and helped to develop innovative and practical solutions to the set challenges that take into account social, economic and environmental considerations. With guidance, their ideas will be developed into a business plan that will be presented back to the challenge setter.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional development time was required to change the delivery structure based on the outcome of a pilot, schools timetable and allocation of year group constraints. • Workshop delivery commenced Sept 2013 but, due to conflicting school priorities and organisational difficulties was initially only taken up by half of the secondary schools that had originally indicated support.. • Population of the learning guide database commenced and the opportunity heavily promoted to the County's secondary schools. • The teacher's guides have been written and delivered to teachers. • Work is taking place to secure recognition of the eduCAT workshops towards the Welsh Baccalaureate curriculum • Eco and sustainability literature has been delivered to every secondary school • In an attempt to increase uptake, the workshops that initially were only intended for Year groups 11, 12 and 13 have been modified so that they can be offered to other secondary year groups. 	116,871	59,271	12,933

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modifications to the programme have also been made to take some of the best participants for industry days in conjunction with the challenge setters and to provide teachers with more preparatory and follow up support. • 4 industry visits were carried out for winning participants • Match funding has been secured 			
330	Options appraisal for community regeneration	4CG Ltd	A feasibility study and fully business planned options appraisal exercise will determine how best to deliver commercially viable sustainable development for Cardigan and the surrounding areas. The overriding intention is to support and future proof the local economy, by provision of the most appropriate facilities to support local businesses and producers and to retain finances and resources locally.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Efforts to raise match funding for the study were unsuccessful resulting in a slight revision to the scope of the project agreed. • Site surveys and structural surveys have been completed. • Four design/development options were identified for consideration. • Local history chapter of the report has been written and converted to film format to raise interest and engagement in the visioning process. • A consultation process and visioning day took place to evaluate the 4 identified options against a range of criteria. • The option selected was to combine a programme of major rebuilding of 3 key buildings with continued refurbishment of other existing buildings. All the buildings either are or have the immediate potential to generate income for 4CG and to support the local economy. • 4CG Directors are working with the architect to finalise the design. • The Quantity Surveyor has visited the site and will produce a cost estimate once the design has been signed off by the Directors. 	42,333	10,000	6,091
334	Waste Paper and Card to Biomass	Polypembs Ltd	This project collects waste card and paper from local businesses	<u>Project Complete</u>	36,000	28,000	28,000

	solid fuel		and processes it into an economical biomass fuel. The high performance fuel, in the form of small logs or briquettes can be sold locally in bulk or bag form for use in open fires, log burners, aga's and biomass boilers. It offers a real and cost effective alternative to traditional solid fuels.	After investigation, suitable machinery was identified and ordered. This was installed but claims of capability by the manufacturers were found to be exaggerated. As a result of much trial and considerable modification a system producing a high quality briquette/logget at a good constant rate was developed and is now up and running. Sale of loggets has now commenced.			
335	Dr Beynon' s Bug Farm Phase I	Dr Beynon's Bug Farm Ltd	SDF support contributed to the start- up of an education and outreach programme. Also towards underlying scientific research to disseminate knowledge and raise awareness of the importance of dung beetles in a sustainable ecosystem. The education and outreach programme includes expert led bug safaris and the research includes a study to map the genetic diversity of dung beetle species and testing beetles for transmissible livestock diseases.	<u>Project Complete</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment purchased • Exhibition at Royal Welsh Show • 35 outreach events held • Funded research is ongoing. • A new collaboration with the Natural History Museum for testing genetic diversity of UK dung beetles has been established • Field trials for Dung Beetles Direct in conjunction with Farming Connect have been completed • Educational and promotional material purchased but the design and development of other material is ongoing • SB was nominated as a Research Associate of the University of Oxford • TV presenting and appearances continue with regularity • Significant local and national media coverage 	25,474	10,727	10,667
338	Green Key Pilot	Keep Wales Tidy	This project will run a 14 month pilot of Green Key (eco-labelling programme for the tourist industry) in Pembrokeshire. Crucial to the pilot is the development of an IT system, working with 25 local businesses and setting up an Advisory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IT contract was awarded and first version of the on-line system is ready for trial, although the trail was delayed. • Internal testing has taken place and identified problems addressed. • 11 businesses are logged in and completing applications • To date 18 out of the target 25 	31,960	15,000	5,160

			Committee	<p>businesses have signed up to take part in the pilot and advanced discussion is taking place with 5 more.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions with other countries operating Green Key took place initially. • The app to be used by assessors has been developed and after testing adjustments are being made. This means the system is ready for site audits to be conducted in Jan/Feb 2015 • The secure on-line web site for the application process has been published and a design brief for the main web page has been developed. • KWT has become a full national operator of Green Key, subject to submission of their business plan at the end of the pilot • Landsker Business Solutions were appointed to develop the business and marketing plan • KWT have funded an additional 2 days a week in support of this work. The new member of staff has a background in marketing. 			
339	Dr Beynon's Bug Farm Phase II	Dr Sarah Beynon	SDF support will assist the purchase and development of farm buildings to provide a permanent base for development of Dr Beynon's Bug Farm, which will deliver conservation through research, innovation and education and provide a wet weather tourist attraction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre planning application submitted • Purchase of buildings completed Dec2013. • Architect appointed and plans drawn up • 12 outreach events held • Large scale field trials started in conjunction with Uni of Oxford and Uni of Aberystwyth, PSPB, PCNPA and WG • Collaborative work with Bristol Uni and Natural History Museum resulted in hosting a PhD student. There are currently two residential research 	515,796	107,500	105,902

				<p>students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glastir application was successful and currently planning conversion to organic. • Conservation work being undertaken with PCNPA assistance towards fencing, hedge and tree planting creating 2 new wildlife corridors • A botanical survey has been undertaken and recorded a number of rare plants (most notably 3 lobed water crowfoot) • Geophysical study also undertaken • Meeting has taken place with sustainable energy consultant • Planning application originally submitted July 2014 but still invalid • Building clearance, renovation and repair work to the laboratory, outreach centre and insect breeding rooms have commenced and the compost toilets are under construction. • A self-employed worker with organisational, outreach and research skills has started working 2 days a week • Publicity material and signage is under development • Dr Beynon has also undertaken speaking and presenting at a variety of events and had publicity in the media (local and national) including television appearances. • Dung Beetles Direct had a stand at the Royal Welsh Spring Festival and is delivering NERC Impact Assessment count (IAA) project, disseminating the importance of Dung beetles to farmers, horse owners and vets. 			
340	Passive Window and Door	Thomas Joinery Ltd	The project will maintain and grow a sustainable business.	<u>Project Complete</u>	62,010	31,005	31,005

	Manufacturing Area		This necessitates increasing manufacturing capability and reducing energy consumption and associated costs. It will also safeguard and create employment, contribute to the local economy and provide training opportunities in the manufacture and supply of high quality sustainable products. To achieve these objectives SDF support will contribute towards extending an existing workshop area, putting in place 'greener' energy solutions and modernising a spray shop facility.	The building work is finished, the extension complete, LED lighting installed and the new equipment for the extended spray shop area successfully installed. The changes have already had a positive impact on the business. Procedures are more efficient and the new spray shop area allows completed items to be despatched more quickly and efficiently. The new timber area allows larger consignments of timber to be ordered for larger contracts. The new lighting has dramatically improved the energy bill and will reduce the carbon footprint of the business.			
343	A Stitch in Time	PCNPA	Funding will contribute towards the employment of a part time project coordinator for a pilot river catchment based project to control invasive non-native plant species in the Gwaun Valley.	Initially recruitment for the position of Project Coordinator was unsuccessful so the post was re-advertised with an application deadline 4 th Dec 2014. A new Project Coordinator has now been appointed and an article to raise awareness of the project and introduce the new Project Coordinator has been publicised in the latest Pembrokeshire Biodiversity Partnership newsletter (Spring 2015).	51,626	25,318	0.00
344	Marine Code Caldey Island Buoyage	Pembs Coastal Forum	This project will provide and place buoys to support the awareness of and adherence to the Marine Code, in the area around Caldey and St Margaret's Islands.	Project progress update not yet received	10,006	4,556	0.00
345	Biomass Firewood Kiln	LM Tree Solutions	SDF funding will contribute towards a biomass fuelled firewood kiln that is integral to the sustainable expansion of a local tree surgery business.	An extension to the project timescale has been agreed to secure planning permission, which is proving more complex than originally anticipated.	27,720	11,760	0.00