

<b>Llangoedmor Community Council</b>	
Meeting Date:	March 2026
Report Title:	Grant Application from St Cynllo Church Llangoedmor
Agenda Item Number	6.6.2
Paper Reference	March 2026-5
Presented By	Clerk
For	Decision

### **Introduction**

St Cynllo Church has asked the Council to consider their grant application for funding to develop the car parking at the church site.

### **Summary of the Grant Application and Additional Information**

St Cynllo Church has a growing congregation and is widely engaged by the local community both for church services and local community events.

The church's main car park has fallen into disrepair and is difficult to use when it is raining as a result of overgrowth, poor drainage and mud.

A local farmer has cleared the overgrowth but the car park remains unsafe and difficult to use in the absence of a suitable surface for the area.

The church has obtained a quote for the work that needs to be done to resurface the car park and this has come in at an estimate of £1,150.

St Cynllo church is requesting a full grant of £1,150 to cover the costs but has agreed that if the work costs more than this the church will meet the additional costs.

A copy of the grant application is attached as Appendix 1

The church has provided a set of parish accounts but no constitution. Further work determined that the church in the diocese of St Davids falls within the purview of the constitution of the Church in Wales and a link to the constitution is provided.

<https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/clergy-and-members/constitution/>

### **Action**

Motion: That the Council awards a grant of £1,150 to St Cynllo Church for refurbishment of the car park.

## APPENDIX 1

# Llangoedmor Community Council

## Grant Application Form

*If you have queries with regard to completing the form please contact the Clerk to the Council who will be happy to advise.*

The Council would prefer to provide financial assistance towards specific projects, events or purchases of equipment which provide direct benefit to the Community of Llangoedmor and its' residents. However, it will also support ongoing revenue costs if an organisation can demonstrate its lack of funds and the adverse effect on Llangoedmor and its residents if the organisation is unable to continue or is hampered by lack of funds.

Applications will only be accepted from charitable and non-profit making organisations. The council regrets that applications from commercial organisations or individuals will not be considered.

### Section A – Please tell us about your project / event or organisation

1. Name of Organisation

St CYNLLO CHURCH, LLANGOEDMOR

2. Please describe below (please attached additional sheets if required) the project/ event you are applying for funding for or the reasons why your organisations requires funds

Whilst many churches are finding it increasingly difficult to maintain attendance, St Cynllo Church has been fortunate to experience a rise in congregation numbers. Attendance at Sunday services has increased, and numbers are particularly strong at special occasions such as Christmas and Easter. The recent appointment of a new Vicar has brought renewed energy and engagement within both the church and the wider local community.

As the congregation continues to grow, attention has been drawn to areas of the church grounds that require maintenance and improvement. One key issue is the condition of the church car parking facilities. The church has two car parks: a smaller one that is used regularly, and a much larger car park that, due to years of overgrowth and poor drainage, has become extremely muddy and difficult to use, particularly during wet weather.

A local farmer has generously assisted by cutting back hedges and clearing much of the overgrowth. However, the underlying problem remains, as the surface is still muddy and unsafe, making the car park undesirable and impractical for regular use. This limits parking capacity during well-attended services and community events and can present accessibility and safety concerns, especially for elderly visitors and families.

To make the larger car park fully functional, the surface needs to be scraped back to the existing hardstanding, followed by the laying and rolling of a suitable stone covering. This work would provide a safe, durable, and long-lasting surface, allowing the car park to be used year-round and improving access to the church for worshippers and members of the wider community.

A local contractor has provided the following verbal estimate for the work:

- 8 hours using a 6-ton digger and driver to clear and prepare the area and lay stone, at £55 per hour = £440
- Approximately two loads of stone (10-ton loads), totalling 20 tons at £28 per ton = £560
- Manual labour = £150
- **Total estimated cost = £1,150**

This figure is an estimate, as the exact quantity of stone required will depend on ground conditions once work begins. Should the final cost exceed the estimated amount, St Cynllo Church will meet any additional expenses from its own funds. Funding for this project would enable St Cynllo Church to improve safety, accessibility, and usability of its facilities, supporting both current congregation members and the wider community who attend

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church and community events throughout the year.

## Section B – Budget

The Council would like to know:

- A The total cost of the project / event or funds required by the charity or organisation
- B The amount of grant funding you are asking for from Llangoedmor Community Council
- C *It would help* if you also state what money your charity / organisation is putting into the project/ event (this might be from funds you hold in your accounts or a payment from members to subsidise the cost of the project / event ( i.e. members might pay something towards the cost of hiring a bus, a meal etc, whilst you are looking for help to cover all or part of the remaining costs))
- D Are you asking for grant funding from other source(s) and if so how much

A	Total cost of project / event for funds required	£ 1150
B	Amount of funding requested from Llangoedmor Community Council	£ 1150
C	Money for the project / event, such as from you own funds or a charge for the event to members etc  <i>The church funds will be used if the cost of the work exceeds the estimate received.</i>	£
D	Are you asking for grant funding from other source(s) and if so how much	£0

*What will you do if you can't cover the cost of the project?*

Tell us how you would adapt the project if you don't get all of the funding you need or whether you would not go ahead with the project.

THE CAR PARK WOULD HAVE TO BE LEFT AS IT IS – OVERGROWN AND MUDDY, MAKING IT DIFFICULT TO USE.

In the event you do not use funding, as detailed in this application, provided by Llangoedmor Community Council it should be refunded to the Council.

## Section C – About You

### 1. Name and Address of Organisation

Name	ST CYNLLO CHURCH
Address	LLANGOEDMOR
Postcode	
Telephone	

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Email	
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2. Please give details of the main contact person for this project.

Name	BETTY GRIFFITHS – CHURCH WARDEN
Address	GER Y FELIN, NEW MILL ROAD, CARDIGAN
Postcode	SA43 9QT
Telephone	01239612857
Email	bettygriffiths.geryfelin@sky.com

3. Please give names of the following officers.

Chairman	VICAR WYN MASKELL
Secretary	MRS SARA LLWYD EDWARDS
Treasurer	MRS ENFY S JAMES

4. Please attached your MOST RECENT audited or certified accounts (must not be more than 18 months old). Please ensure that the accounts refer to your local branch only.

Accounts attached

New organisations / groups should attach an estimate of projected income and expenditure.

Estimate provided in the request

5. If applicable please supply the constitutional document that governs you organisation

N/A Constitution attached

N/A Other policies relevant to this application

6. Have you previously had funding from Llangoedmor Community Council

Year	Purpose	Amount
NO		

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## Section D - Data Protection

Data protection: for the Council's data protection policy please go to: <http://llangoedmorcc.org.uk/privacy-policy/>

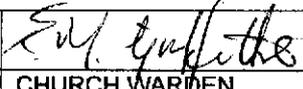
Please be aware that the information contained in this form will be shared with Council staff and elected members in order to process your application.

The name of group or organisation and sum requested/granted will be included in a list of published applicants and will be included in the Council's published minutes and accounts.

## Section E - Declarations

√	I confirm that where the application applies to property or a site the organisation / group owns or has the appropriate permissions from the owners to undertake any works involved on the property which might constitute part of this application
√	I confirm that I have the authority to sign this application on behalf of the above named group / organisation

√	I confirm that the information in the application is true and correct
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Signed		Please print your name	BETTY GRIFFITHS
Position in organisation	CHURCH WARDEN	Date	24/12/25

Please return this application to The Clerk, Lower Castlebythe, Castlebythe, Pembrokeshire, SA62 5DN (llangoedmorcc@gmail.com) with all necessary supporting information.

If you are successful the Community Council will pay any funding directly to an account held by the Organisation. It will not pay funding into an account held by an individual.

Payments will be by BACS transfer. The following information will be required:

Full name of bank account Llangoedmor Church

Sort Code 40-16-20

Account number 40332076

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN  
2024**

Diocese St Davids	Parish Bro Teifi	Church St Cynilo, Llangoedmor		
Number of Legacies received 0				
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
donations		74.74	0	74.74
fees		0	440.00	440.00
for mission		0	0	0
grants		0	0	0
investment income		7213.93	142.85	7356.78
legacy gifts received		16.91	0	16.91
loose collections		471.60	0	471.60
money raising		4428.71	0	4428.71
other incoming resources		0	0	0
planned giving		3876.69	0	3876.69
tax refunds - gasds		0	0	0
tax refunds - gift aid		217.98	0	217.98
<b>Total for Income</b>		<b>16300.56</b>	<b>582.85</b>	<b>16883.41</b>
capital payments		0	0	0
cost of money raising		0	0	0
exceptional expenditure		0	0	0
general parish expenses		356.94	2.00	358.94
maintenance of churches		2827.43	0	2827.43
maintenance of other property		1962.95	1845.00	3807.95
maintenance of services		248.00	0	248.00
mission:home/world		1400.00	0	1400.00
mission:parish		0	0	0
other ministry support		0	0	0
parish share		9818.74	0	9818.74
parochial expenses of clerics		0	0	0
<b>Total for Expenditure</b>		<b>16614.06</b>	<b>1847.00</b>	<b>18461.06</b>
<b>Net Income/Expenditure</b>		<b>-313.50</b>	<b>-1264.15</b>	<b>-1577.65</b>
Balance as at 1st Jan		9861.91	7954.53	17816.44
Any transfers made between UF and RF		-497.56	497.56	0.00
Any other recognised gains or losses		0	53.67	53.67
Net movement in funds		-313.50	-1264.15	-1577.65
Balance as at 31 Dec		9050.85	7241.61	16292.46