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**ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL**

**COMMUNITY SMALL GRANT SCHEME**

**APPLICATION FORM 2023/24**

This application form is to be used to submit an application to Abergavenny Town Council Community Small Grant Scheme. Please read the guidance notes carefully before completing the form.

Completed forms to be returned to Clerk@abergavennytowncouncil.gov.uk or by post to Town Clerk, Town Hall, Cross Street, Abergavenny, NP7 5HD.

**Section 1 – Contact information**

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| a. Group Name | Llanwenarth Village Hall Committee |

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| b. Contact Name | Pip Hassall |
| c. Contact Address |  |
|  | Abergavenny |
|  | Postcode  |

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| d. Contact email |  |
| e. Position in Group | Joint chair |

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| f. Contact tel no |  |

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| g. Bank Account Details | Name of your organisation’s bank account St. Peters Church |

**Section 2 – Tell Us About Your Group**

a. Briefly tells us about the activities that your organisation/group undertakes

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| This hall, built in the 1930’s is, apart from St Peter’s church, the only community building in Llanwenarth Citra. It was underused, difficult to heat effectively and supported by the church financially..Over the past few years we have carried out many improvements to the building - double glazing, better heating, installing an accessible toilet, redecorating and most recently, completely refurbishing the kitchen. It is now a very well used community facility. from Veterans table tennis to junior and senior AODS. It is booked every week night and some weekends as well as for meetings, parties and church services in times of flooding. It is also used as a polling station. It now pays its way.Earlier this year we noticed that the ceiling was becoming discoloured with mould. Upon closer inspection, we discovered to our dismay that the original 1930s roof has reached the end of its life and needs replacing.This was a blow, as we have spent all we had on replacing the kitchen.We have set about applying for help with this work and have obtained several grants, with the last major one from the Welsh Government Community Fund still in the pipelineWe have obtained several quotations for this work and it will cost around £17,500, plus VAT plus a pc sum of £7,500 to cover contingencies including additional insulation. The total cost will be around £20,920[ including VAT plus £7,500 = **£28,420**  |

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| b. Charity Details (if applicable) | Charity Number1137751 |
| c.VAT Registered?  | No  |

**Section 3. Tell Us About The Community Project/Activity You Want To Undertake**

1. Which objective does this project mainly contribute towards (**please tick one**):

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| Giving Children and Young People the best possible start in life  |  |
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| Support for community wellbeing inc. volunteering and active citizenship |  |
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| Supporting an economically thriving community | x |
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| Protecting and enhancing our natural environment |  |

1. Please give more detail on how your project will meet the objective you selected above.

If we do not replace the roof, the building will have to close. All our efforts to improve the building to make it more attractive for people to use will have been in vain. A community asset will have been lost.

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| 1. Total Project Cost
 | £17,433.60 plus VAT £3486.72 = £20,920.32£7.5K to cover contingency for additional repairs and insulation £28,420.32 |
| 1. How much are you applying for from Abergavenny Town Council?
 | £7500 |
| 1. Have you raised the balance of funds?
 | so far £5k Monmouthshire diocese, £2k Welsh Churches Act. still waiting decision from Welsh Government Communities Fund -£11 270 |

(25% of the total project costs should come from other sources)

1. Please specify how you will use the Town Council grant?

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| We will use the grant to carry out these urgent repairs to the roof of the hall, improve the insulation if possible and ensure the hall is in good condition for its future use as a community facility. |

1. How will your project benefit the community of Abergavenny?

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| At present it is in use every week night as a venue for veterans table tennis, as a rehearsal space for junior and senior AODS, various theatre groups including the Abergavenny Theatre Company and Visions in Glass. Local people hire it for children’s birthday parties, there have been some low key wedding receptions, we have held community events such as Murder Mystery evenings, Quiz and bingo nights. It is used for Sunday worship when St Peter’s Church is inaccessible through flooding and as a Polling Station. The Llanwenarth Commoners Association use it for meetings. It is also used for musical events.  |

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| 1. If your project involves working with young people does your organisation have a safeguarding policy?
 | Yes | No |
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1. When will your project start and finish?

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| Start date  | November 2024 |
| Completion date | November, early December 2024 |

1. Are there any outstanding permissions i.e. planning permission required before this project can start? If so, please list together with expected dates when permission will be granted

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| No |

**Section 4**

This application is to be signed by a person holding a position in the organisation applying for the grant. Before submitting the application please ensure that you have all the additional information as set out in the guidance.

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| Signed  | Pip Hassall |
| On behalf of (name of group) | Llanwenarth Village Hall Committee |
| Date  | 21 October 2024 |