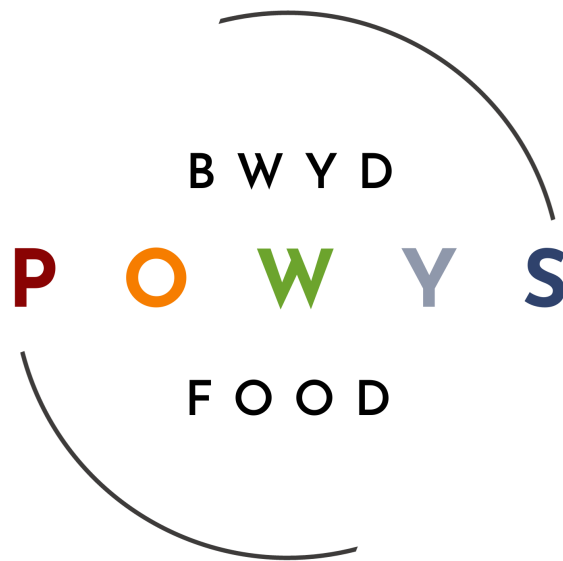




Small Grants Scheme Expression of Interest

To deliver project activity in association with Bwyd Powys Food, contributing to our vision of:

"Local, healthy, sustainable food prevails in Powys, connecting and benefiting people and nature here"

Expression of Interest Guidelines

Background

The Bwyd Powys Food partnership believes that food is not only at the heart of some of our greatest problems but is also a vital part of the solution. In order to tackle issues such as obesity and diet-related ill-health, food poverty and waste, climate change and biodiversity loss, declining prosperity and social dislocation, we promote a systems approach that involves and connects key actors at all levels and across all parts of the food system.

Bwyd Powys Food has undertaken over a year of engagement activities across the county which culminated in a Food Summit on 16th October 2023. From this, we have identified key objectives and priorities. With funding from the Welsh Government, administered by Powys County Council and delivered by Cultivate, Bwyd Powys Food is making small grants available for projects supporting sustainable food in Powys. Projects must contribute to one or more of our three outcomes:

- **Better food, health and nutrition embedded in education**
- **Sustainable, supported and rewarded producers & growers**
- **Improved community health and wellbeing through food activities**

Do you have an idea for how more food could be produced, distributed, procured or sold and for this to happen in a more sustainable way? If so, please tell us about it.

You could receive a grant of between **£250 and £1000** for your project. Only one project per organisation will be funded. Expressions of Interest under £250 or over £1000 will not be considered. The total value of grant funding is £10k.

The funding is for the public wider good and public, third and community sector groups and private organisations are eligible. Only projects which clearly address the three outcomes set out in this guidance document will be eligible.

The money can be used for:

- **Activity costs** (e.g. seeds, food)
- **Equipment costs** (e.g. cookers, utensils, durable gardening tools, compost stations)
- **Other costs** (e.g. consultants, activity providers, feasibility studies, expenses)

Or a combination of the three.

The Bwyd Powys Food Partnership will decide which projects stand the best chance of making the most meaningful impact in line with the objectives above as identified through our engagement work.

Timeline

Date	Activity
4th - 18th December	Book meeting with Chloe Masefield (South Powys) to discuss your idea and any queries you may have (see final section for details)
31st December	Closing date - last chance to submit your forms!
First week of January	Projects are scored and the partnership will meet to make a final decision on which projects get funded
January - March	Your project! All funds to be spent by 31st March
May	Submit evidence of your project

Key Objectives

Below are the outcomes for Bwyd Powys Food as identified through the engagement work undertaken over the previous year. We need activities to contribute to one or more of these. Please tick any that you aim to do.

- ☐ **Better food, health and nutrition embedded in education:** Schools connecting with eco-committees and healthy schools initiatives, developing growing and cooking skills, linking with producers and growers, developing school kitchens as hubs, with a local produce policy live in schools.
- ☐ **Sustainable, supported and rewarded producers & growers:** Increasing numbers of growers in the county, good living for growers, grower networks for mutual support, Powys County Council policy developed for Powys farm estate, Natural Resources Wales land and policies considered for food impact, strengthened production and outlets for local food, integrated with Town Councils & Community Councils, connected to water quality & nature, business to business support.
- ☐ **Improved community health and wellbeing through food activities:** more food hubs, shared community meals, seasonal events, food networks, local food connected with food banks, reduced food bank use, community fridges, local supply chains, build on good communication, farmers markets, strengthen volunteering, develop more food maps and trails, promoted use of cookery items at Library of Things.

*Additional guidance/glossary about these terms is attached and available on the Cultivate webpage

Applications that foster partnerships and community cohesion allowing communities to map, connect, and lay the groundwork for developing actions that support the creation of healthier, more sustainable food systems at the local level will be looked upon favourably.

Section 1: Your details

Organisation / Group:
Key Contact Full Name:
Email Address: If you don't always have access to emails, please provide a phone number as well
Organisation / Group Address:
Postcode:
Telephone Number:
Your Website / Facebook page / Twitter / Instagram handle(s) and links: (if you have them)

Section 2: Project details

Project Name:	
When would you like to do your project? (Must be complete by 31st March)	
Where would you like to do your project? (If in real life, give address and postcode(s). If online, explain where.)	
Are you able to keep track of the characteristics of people getting involved (age, sex, ethnicity, religion, sexuality ...) If Yes, how might you do this?	
Are you working with other organisations or groups on this project? If yes, share the names and email addresses:	
How much funding are you applying for?	
What need is your project addressing?	

Please tell us about your proposed project, in your own words. We are particularly interested in how your project will contribute to the OUTCOMES you have ticked, so please give us plenty of detail. (See additional guidance for prompts).

Please note, a scoring system will be used to measure proposed delivery against the key outcomes. **(1200 words max)**

Section 3: Data and Marketing

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I give permission for the details in this application form to be shared with the Bwyd Powys Food Partnership and Cultivate*, for the purposes of administering the grant. <i>*the partnership will make the funding decisions. Cultivate hosts Bwyd Powys Food and will pay the funds.</i>	Yes / No
Are you happy for Bwyd Powys Food to publicise your activity / event? <i>Note this doesn't mean the event has to be open to all – we can list it as a closed event if it's targeting a specific community or group.</i>	Yes / No

Section 4: Finance

Please provide a breakdown of the costs you are applying for.

Item	Cost	BPF Code
e.g. 30 x recipe kits at £5 per kit	e.g. £150	
Total Grant Applied for		

(BPF Code = Bwyd Powys Food office use only)

Section 5: Signatures

By signing below, you are agreeing to the grant terms and conditions. If you do not have a digital signature, **please type your name and email across a photo of your signature, confirming this is for the grant process.**

NB: By submitting this proposal and signing here you are agreeing that Bwyd Powys Food and Cultivate will store the information you have provided in this application for the purposes of administering and reporting on the Sustainable Food Partnerships Funding, and reporting within the broader work of Bwyd Powys Food. We will not pass on your information to third parties outside of the Bwyd Powys Food partners without your permission. For more details on how we look after your data, please read our privacy policy.

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Select from the following:

☐ I am applying on behalf of _____ and I am the lead applicant.

Signed by:

Date:

Please send your completed form to: Chloe Masefield (chloem@cultivate.uk.com) by 31st December

What next?

We will email you confirming that we have received your form. We may ask you for further information. Decisions are agreed by the Bwyd Powys Food Partnership, and are final.

Contact

If you have questions before submitting your form, please book a conversation with Chloe Masefield, dates available between 4th and 18th December. To book a slot email Chloe, title the email 'EOI Meeting' and send to: chloem@cultivate.uk.com.

Emails relating to queries covered within the guidance cannot be dealt with.

Please send your completed form by 31st December to: chloem@cultivate.uk.com

Good Luck! We look forward to receiving your Expression of Interest!