



Ynys Môn YFC Funding Application to the
Anglesey Trust Fund
June 2014

Anglesey Y.F.C

This year, the Ynys Môn Young Farmers Movement (YFC) will be celebrating its 70th Birthday as a County Organisation on Anglesey. During this period a great many of Anglesey's citizens have had some contact with the organisation during its lifetime, either as members, or as people who have attended one of the many activities that have been part of its programme. The organisation has made a huge contribution to the communities of Anglesey over the years.

Ynys Môn YFC is a charity, that is solely dependant for its financial support on grants, sponsorship, or the income that it raises itself, enablint it to offer its varied programme of activities for the island's young people. Although the organisation is part of a national charity, it receives no funding from the Wales Federation.

In all respects Ynys Môn YFC belongs to its members. The members lead, make all their own decisions and choices, arrange its programme and Calendar of events and fund-raises to keep the organisation alive. It is a truly democratic organisation that promotes the well-being and rights of young individuals.

By being a truly democratic organisation the members learn about decision-making processes, learn to listen to others' viewpoints, learn how to elect its own representatives through the electoral process, thereby learning the importance of having, and casting a vote. They also gain confidence in forming and voicing their own opinions, and gain confidence in public speaking, thus the organisation has always been a traditional breeding ground for leaders within their local communitis.

Looking to the future, the organisation promotes opportunities for young people up to the age of 28 – and very often members continue to pay back what they have learnt from the organisation by becoming voluntary club leaders for their local clubs. This is a circle of life, where young people gain skills and informaton, from the ones who have trod the path before them. Because of the large span of age (11-28), then the young gain so much from the older peer group that attend the clubs.

It is also gratifying to see how many young people on their return to Anglesey from colleges from across the country, re-engage with the Movement, because their contact with their own community is such a strong bond, that on their return they become leaders within that community.

On Ynys Môn there are six clubs, all with very close bonds with their local communities. There are many occasions over the years, where members from the organisation work closely with local project to improve the community. Over recent weeks YFC have worked on a new gardens, erecting walls, and collecting money for various charities within the island. Our contribution enriches the life of local communities on Anglesey.

The clubs hold meetings on a weekly basis within their community. Some may think, because of the name, that it is an organisation aimed primarily at promoting agriculture, and is solely for young people from a farming background, but the door is open to any young person on the island who want to be a member of a vibrant, fun rural organisation. The YFC promotes learning new skills, provides fantastic opportunities for personal development, and opportunities to learn about the culture and heritage of rural Wales, as well as giving them a grounding in rural and agricultural skills (should they choose to do so). The movement is open to any young person whatever their background or language.

We promote bilingualism although most of our competitions are through the medium of Welsh. The organisation gives young people who may be unconfident in the Welsh language, the opportunity to enrich their language skills, by being part of an organisation that uses the language as a living vibrant language that is promoted and valued by its young members.

When all the elements of this organisation are quantified, the enrichment of skills gained by its young members is clearly evident. The organisation increases knowledge, develops confidence, and life skills that will ultimately enable these young people to become confident individuals for the future.

Value for money

During the year every young farmers' club on Ynys Môn hold at least 42 club nights, not including the extra training sessions that are offered preparing for specific competitions.

Because it is a democratic organisation, the members themselves arrange the programme of activities, with voluntary leaders there as supervisors. The clubs therefore have no direct staffing costs compared to other youth clubs, where paid staff run the clubs. Compared to other youth clubs therefore the organisation gives more value for money.

In addition the county organisation arranges around 18 other competitions / events on Anglesey annually, with many of these leading to an opportunity to participate on a National level. The members also attend regular county committee meetings, that meet on a weekly basis, and also elects members to attend other committees such as the

Anglesey Show Committee, the Welsh Language forum etc, for which their contribution will be important to the future of these organisations.

There is some form of contact on average more than once a week, for every member with this organisation. If the Authority had to staff these meetings, then this could be at a significantly higher cost than what is paid for through the current grant. We are extremely fortunate therefore to have an organisation that has a strong voluntary base of support from people who truly believe in the work of this organisation.

The YFC also invites the public to attend its activities, with 265 attending a recent dance (with 2 prominent Welsh Bands performing); over 350 people attending the Rally of Activities during the day. Around 400 people attended the Entertainment Festival held at Ysgol David Hughes in February, and over a thousand people attended the Wales Eisteddfod hosted by Ynys Môn in November in the Anglesey Show Pavilion. The organisation feels fortunate that its activities are well supported by Anglesey's citizens, and are seen as a valuable part of their Calendar.

The contribution made by the Council to the YFC in the past has been just over £20,000 annually, and this financial support has been essential for the continuation of the organisation. Even though the organisation works hard to raise money on a continuing basis, it would not be able to maintain its huge programme of activities, or maintain the standard of its provision to the members and their communities, without financial support.

The change of focus of funding in the statutory youth service is a huge threat to the future of this organisation. Although our membership is not huge, what is offered within this organisation enriches so many aspects of the lives of these young people. If the Trust could support the organisation, then it would allow us to further develop our work and expand the programme to allow more young people to gain so many valuable experiences through this organisation.

THE MOVEMENT'S FINANCIAL SITUATION

The County Federation's financial turnover is around £55-£60,000 annually, with £20,000 of that being the grant received from the County Council - see last year's Balance Sheet (Appendix1). At present the young people themselves raise more than twice the amount that they receive as grants, to run the Federation, plus funds to run their own clubs. The organisation has sound financial processes in place to oversee and audit the accounts.

OUR FUNDING APPLICATION

We are requesting that the Trust funds part of the running costs of the Federation for the next 5 years, rather than funding us through an annual grant from the Youth Service. We are asking for an annual contribution of £30,000 for the next 5 years, to support our young people, and to offer a vast programme of cultural and social activities, that strengthen our rural areas, and the Welsh language, and that provides opportunities for young people to become the leaders of our communities in the future.

This would give the Federation a sound financial basis during a period when budgets are being squeezed , and where there is pressure to amalgamate services, and where even the future of the Authority itself is under threat.

The membership has risen consistently over the last 4 years:

County Membership				
2010-2011	27	84	44	155
2011-2012	24	98	42	164
2012-2013				175
2013-14				186

We estimate that the cost of running 6 youth clubs providing the same provision as is currently offered within the Young Farmers' Clubs would be a minimum of £27,000 annually to the Council. In addition to this the Federation delivers a large programme of activities on a county level annually, as may be seen in Appendix 2, which lists what was delivered on Anglesey during 2013-14.

Summary

If this bid was successful, then the organisation would use the funding for the following:

- Hold county activities and competitions that promote skills, personal development of the individual to enable them to become confident leaders for the future.
- Develop opportunities for young people to use their Welsh language skills in a vibrant organisation that uses the language as a living and loved language as a natural part of its activities.
- Develop areas like IT, training opportunities etc.
- Offer training opportunities that lead to accreditations in specific fields that will enhance skills, knowledge and career opportunities for young people
- Provide a wide range of activities that ensures it offers something that appeals to all young people

- Provide new opportunities that will enrich the lives of the members on Anglesey and beyond.
- Continue to develop the good work for the future.

Sian Roberts, Ynys Môn YFC County Chairperson

Ann Postle, Development officer, Ynys Môn YFC

APPENDIX 2 – Summary of the work of the YFC 2013-14

Area of Work	Event	Target (agreed through Youth Service SLA)	Numbers participating in 2012-13	Numbers participating in 13-14 to date
Welsh Culture	1 County Eisteddfod	150 members participating	Stage 351; Literature – 140; Craft - 77	Stage 568; Literature – 97; Craft - 82
Welsh Culture	4 x Public Speaking Competitions 14,16,21,26	3 teams in each age group	4x14 3x16 2x21 3x26	84 competing
Welsh Culture	Drama or Entertainment competition (every other year)	At least 1 team	2 x drama teams	126 (Entertainment Festival) 45 competing at a Wales level
Skills	Field Work Event (developing agricultural skills)	30 members	9 lamb trimming Stock Handling 21	52 members 33 stockjudging 23 competing on a Welsh level
Skills	Stockjudging	2 competitions x 20 members	77 beef and lamb 29 Welsh Blacks 19 Cobs 27 Badger faced sheep	Compteitions to be held in June 2014
Skills	Rali Flynyddol	150 o aelodau i gymryd rhan	369	432
Social Events	County Dances/Gigs with Welsh bands	At least 2	Rally Dance Nia's Night (Chairperson) Ponies & Pimms Castellior Night	County Show Dance – 250 attending Rally Dance 265 attending; President's Night 65 present
Social Events	President/Chair's Night	1	President's Night d 'Hollywood' atn Cartio Môn.	To be held in December 2014
Participation	AGM – every club to elect officers	6 clubs	6 Clubs	6 clubs
Participation	Minute Taking and Club Scrapbook	6 Clubs	6 Clubs – Books presented in the Rally	6 Clubs – Books presented in the Rally
Participation	County AGM	At least 40 in attendance	62	To be held in November 2014
Participation	6 Executive Committees per year	28 present x 12 meetings	89 members	336 members in a year
Participation	Training Committee x 4 per year	16 attending x 4 gwaith	62 members	192 members per year
Participation	4 Management Panels per year	Minimum of 5 members to attend x 4 times a year	35 members – has met more often because of employing a new Development	20 members
Participation	Wales AGM	At least 4 members to attend	14	14 members
Participation	National Sub-committees	At least 3 x 6 membrs	11 2 members elected as Welsh Officials	Year not yet over
Participation	Youth Forum	20 members (or		1 meeting with 6

		more) under 18 to meet 8 times per year.		members in attendance 1 event held with 45 members in attendance.
Participation	External Committee	Sioe Môn, Unions, Smallholdings Committee, YPP, Language Forum; Llwyddo'n Lleol Panel	Represented on all committees + Royal Welsh Show Anglesey Fund Raising committee	Representative on all committees
Participation	At least 3 events promoting the Movement on the island e.g. Children and Families Festival, Anglesey Show, Winter Fair, Youth Work Week, Urdd Area Sports	3	Sioe Môn, Winter Fair; Club in Ysgol David Hughes – not successful	Representative attending in Children and Young People + Families event; Anglesey Show, Winter Fair.
Training	Training Night for Club Officers	30 to attend	42 attended in September	July 2014
Training	For competitions e.g. stockjudging, public speaking	6 County Sessions	Stockjudging with 2 Leaders in Winter Fair. County Choir. Public Speaking – all teams received training.	County Choir, Public Speaking, Stockjudging all received County Training.
Training	All clubs to hold at least one health promotion event e.g. alcohol, drugs, healthy eating, healthy sex and relationships.	6 clubs x 10 members	See Club Programmes	See Club Programmes
Training Practical Skills	Formal accredited training e.g. first aid, food hygiene, trailer driving, sheep shearing	As required	No requirement	12 members completed basic First Aid March 2014. To be arranged – Food Hygiene, ATV Training for 4 members 2014.
Sports	Pool, darts, table tennis	30 members	57 members	62 members
Sports	Junior Sports	30 members	45 members 30 in the Rounders.	45 members
Expanding Horizons	Day Trips	1 x 20 members	Alton Towers. Canolfan Conwy - 30 Fun Centre - 25	Llyndy-Isaf Farm Walk 18 members
Expanding Horizons	Participating in Out of County Events from the list below: Wales YFC Eisteddfod ; Public Speaking Day; Wales Arts Day; Wales Field Events Day, Royal Welsh Show + Winter Fair	Attend at least 4 with a minimum of 20 members	Wales YFC Eisteddfod 59 Public Speaking 15 Drama 20; Royal Welsh Show 46 RWS Winter Fair 14	Wales YFC Eisteddfod 99 Wales Public Speaking 15 Festival of Entertainment 45 ; Wales Field Events Day 23 ; Royal Welsh Show – 79; Winter Fair - 24
Expanding Horizons	Residential Experiences	2 (Target – 20 members)	AGM 14 Eisteddfod 59 Winter Fair 9 Drama 20	1 member from Ynys Môn selected for an Overseas Visit this year has been selected to be the dramor eleni
Sustainability and World Wide Youth Work a Gwaith	Member of former members to attend a club or host a county event promoting the International Exchange	Visit to 6 clubs and one county event promoting international	3 visited the Czech Republic ; 1 to Strasbourg, - visited clubs to	1 member from America will be hosted by Bodedern Club over the summer.

	Programme.	exchanges	relate their experiences; hosted 2 overseas visitors (one from Finland, and 1 from Tasmania)	
(ESDGC)	Member of former members to visits clubs or county event promoting the Rural Projects Programme and the Enterprise Programme	Visit to 6 clubs	Development Officer promoting the schemes	Awaiting confirmation for autumn
Humanitarian work	2 events a year e.g. the Wales Chair Charity Appeal / Carol Service	£200	Two rafts in the Menai Raft Race; Sponsored Walk (on the Coastal Path) – hoping to raise £1,500 by October.	Menai Raft i – 16 members; Sponsoted Walk towards RABI – July 2014; Dwyran YFC fund raising towards Llangaffo Village Hall
Community Work	All clubs to have one community project	6 Clubs	Carol Service at Gosan. Sponsored Bike Ride - Biffi. Quiz Night - 44 Bodedern - Catering at the Urdd Eisteddfod and clearing the school site; Dwyran – fund raising stand towards Hall; Llangefni – entertainment in and Old People’s Home; obl Llangoed – stewarding in Llanddona Show; Penmynydd – assisting at Theatr Fach Rhosybol – work on the school garden; County – Night at the Rases + bar at Catellior (RWS Appeal)	Entertainment at the FUW Annual Dinner – 20 members Carol Service at Bodedern - 42 members Bodedern – catering at Eisteddfod yr Urdd. Cymanfa Ganu Capel Saron. Llangefni – entertainemnt in the Old People’s Home
Fund Raising	Committee meetings to arrange the County Fund Raising programme	Minimum of 3 events	Sponsored Walk; Catering Refreshments at several events; Bar in the Tourist Awards Night; work towards RWS Anglesey Appeal .	Sponsored Walks, Raft Race

Anglesey Federation of Young Farmers Cluk
Balance Sheet for the year ended 30th, Septembe

<u>Description</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Income</u>
<u>Employment Costs</u>		
County Organiser Salary	10182.52	
Development Officer Salary	3670.37	
County Organiser - Travel Costs	1243.08	
Wales - Fares Pool	300.00	
<u>Office & Building Costs</u>		
Office Materials (Ink etc.)	156.62	
Phone	753.31	
Post	167.20	
Building - Oil & Boiler Repair	1051.35	
Building - Fire System Testing	59.30	
Building - Walling	500.00	
Building - Insurance	197.16	
<u>Membership / Insurance</u>	2741.65	3515.80
County 'Eisteddfod'	1082.93	1538.50
Wales Eisteddfod, Fishguard 2012	1426.00	1177.00
Wales Eisteddfod, Anglesey 2013	11.99	
Rally	4261.96	8937.00
Llwyddo'n Lleol Grant received towards the Rally Evening Dance		1000.00
Anglesey Show	49.47	214.70
<u>Competitions</u>		
Award Prizes	105.00	75.00
Drama	250.00	951.00
Locations	112.50	
Entertainment Competition Deposit	250.00	
Wales AGM, Caerdiff 2012		1250.00
Wales AGM, Cardiff 2013	852.00	500.00
Elen & Olwen - Farwell Night	2220.00	2212.00
<u>Sponsors & Grants</u>		
Mr Sion Roberts		150.00
NFU		200.00
Welsh Language Board		7582.00
Llangefni Town Council		50.00

<u>Raising Money</u>		
Catering	248.97	2320.00
President Dinner		140.00
Winter Fair	20.00	151.60
Carol Service		52.00
Air Ambulance - Sponsored Walk		77.50
Bar	1352.45	3889.50
Council Chairman Dinner	25.00	
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BHF - Raft, Walk, Chairman Night, Rhosybol Party	80.00	1060.50
HMRC - Gift Aid		206.38
<u>C.A.Ff.I Club</u>		40.00
Conway Centre Trip 2012	225.00	
Fun Centre Trip	96.00	
Interest		11.60

33741.83 37302.08

Expenditure over Income -3560.25
Total 33741.83

Balance brought forward @ 01/10/2012 **7915.38**
Income 2012-13 37302.08
Expenditure 2012-13 -33741.83
Closing Balance @ 30/09/2013 **11475.63**

Per Bank Statement Number 529 @ 30/09/2013 **13206.28**
Less: Unpresented Cheques -1730.65
Closing Balance @ 30/09/2013 **11475.63**

Building Reserve Account

Balance Brought Forward on 1st, October 2012 338.73
Interest during the year 0.12
Closing Balance @ 30th September, 2013 **338.85**

30th September, 2013, per Bank

Current Account 11475.63
Reserve Account 23100.00

Sub-Total 34575.63

Building Current Account 66.52
Building Reserve Account 338.85

Total in Bank as at 30/09/2013

£34,981.00

Grant Cyngor Sir Ynys Môn tuag at gyflog y Trefnydd Sirol

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