



Pembrokeshire Coast Charitable Trust is the official charity of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. We are an independent organisation governed by an autonomous and experienced board of trustees who oversee our work.

The Trust is committed to supporting the best projects delivered by the best people and is informed by the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Management Plan, local communities and environmental and heritage experts.

Our charitable objectives are to:

- Promote the conservation, protection and enhancement of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park and surrounding areas including wildlife within the National Park
- Advance education about the importance of the National Park, the wildlife within and the natural landscapes
- Advance the physical and mental health of the general public, including encouraging people to walk and take exercise within the National Park
- Promote the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time, in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the conditions of life.

All grants we undertake will deliver on our charitable objectives.

1. The purpose of the funding

Community groups, organisations and businesses can apply for up to £4,000 for a 'Force for Nature' mini-grant for projects that have positive conservation actions, in and around the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park.

Funded projects must deliver one of the following:

- A positive conservation or climate change action
- Supporting biodiversity
- Creating new green spaces.

Examples of projects the fund can support include: wildflower meadow creation on small areas of common and public land, increasing pollinator habitats, tree planting, creating hedgerows, planting fruit trees and pond creation.

2. Who can apply

Not-for-profit organisations and businesses* in Pembrokeshire who have a bank account in the name of the organisation, including charities, constituted voluntary groups, community councils, schools, sports clubs and associations.

*Businesses must be able to demonstrate a public benefit, for example tourism providers who have land where people may spend time connecting to nature.

Individuals are not eligible to apply.

Priority will be given to applications coming from the following community and town council areas: Boncath, Cilgerran, Clydau, Cwm Gwaun, Moylegrove, Pembroke, Stackpole and Castlemartin, Hundleton, Angle, Newport, Fishguard and Goodwick, Crymych, Eglwysrwrw, Nevern.

3. How to apply

Complete the short application form. The form is available and can be completed in Welsh or English <https://pembrokeshirecoasttrust.wales/our-work-and-impact/force-for-nature-grants/>

Send your completed application via email, **deadline for applications 1 September 2024**. There is one deadline each year.

Please put your organisation name in the subject field of your email and send it to support@pembrokeshirecoasttrust.wales.

The following guidelines may help you with your application. Make sure you complete all the boxes. The word count gives a maximum amount. You do not need to use the maximum.

Contact details

- Please provide the name of your organisation as stated in your governing document and bank statement
- Tell us what your group or business does
- Please tick the type of organisation that you are.

Project details

- What is the name of the project and where will it be run? Please tell us the community or town council area your project is located
- When are you planning on starting the project? It cannot have already started; we are unable to pay for items retrospectively
- The project must be completed by **28 February 2025**
- What will you do with the grant funding? Please be explicit about how your project will benefit nature and people
- Have you done any research about the need? Who wants the project and how do you know this?
- Will it be run in a certain community, village or group of people that will benefit? For example, young people, parents, carers?
- What difference will you make? How will people or the environment benefit? What difference will you see?
- How will you know you have done a good job? How will you know how many people will benefit? What will you do at the end of the project to see if it worked?

Budget

- How much money are you requesting? (Maximum £4,000)
- Provide a full breakdown of how you will spend the money. Give clear costings with exact figures
- If the grant funding will not cover the complete costs to deliver the project, where will the remaining funding come from?
- Funding can only be spent on capital items.

Declaration

Tick the boxes and sign the form to confirm that the details in the application form are correct. Only an authorised person, e.g. a board or committee member may sign.

4. Decision Making Committee

There is one deadline a year. Each application will be assessed and scored and a decision will be made within 4 weeks of the application deadline.

5. Delivery

Applicants must complete their project by **28 February 2025**.

Match funding is not necessary.

All projects funded will be required to complete a midpoint update and end of project report with evidence.