



Community Capacity Fund

Application Form – Grants of between £2,000 and £25,000.

This fund is to support community organisations to develop projects or project ideas, to then be in a stronger position to access wider funding opportunities to deliver their project.

Please read the guidance before completing this form. Filling in this form is quite straightforward but if you require assistance, please contact us on ccf@cornwall.gov.uk or 01872 323806

1. Organisation Details

1	Name of the community organisation:	Tregovenek Limited
2	Address:	Pentiddy Woods, Attwood Lane, Pensilva, Liskeard, Cornwall
3	Postcode:	PL14 5QU
4	Email Address:	directors@tregovenek.org.uk
5	Phone Number:	07768 130520
6	Website and/or social media address:	https://www.tregovenek.org.uk/
7	What is the Legal Status of your not-for-profit organisation?	Other If other, please specify: Community Benefit Society

	Please include your Companies House Registration Number or Charity Registration Number if you have one.	Company Registration number RS008767
8	Are you registered for VAT? If so, please provide your VAT Registration Number.	No

2. Contact Details

	Primary Contact:	Secondary Contact:
9	Contact Name: Fiona Wood	Contact Name: Jemma Knowles
	Position in Organisation: Director	Position in Organisation: Director
	Contact email address: directors@tregovenek.org.uk	Contact email address: jemma@tregovenek.org.uk
	Contact Telephone Number: 07768 130520	Contact Telephone Number: 07582 450640

3. About the Project

10	Project Name: <i>Please keep this brief and relevant to the project activity.</i>	Regenerative land-based enterprise centre feasibility study
11	Which parish or parishes will your project be delivered in? <i>If you are unsure, please see the map contained in this link: Parish Map</i> Which Community Area Partnership Area does your project sit in? <i>Please see these listed here in this link: Community Area Partnerships</i>	St Cleer and Pensilva South East Cornwall
12	Project Summary (maximum 200 words) Please describe what you hope to do with a Community Capacity grant? What are the key aims of this project?	Our initial consultations have pointed to a need for a regenerative land-based enterprise centre with a community hub and workshop space for current and potential local small businesses

		<p>that are aligned to the vision and ethos of Tregovenek.</p> <p>The aims of the project are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To research local need and test and refine our business proposition including development of workshop units ● To prepare and submit a prior notification application for the creation of small scale workshop units to meet that need utilising existing farm outbuildings, under permitted development rights. ● To prepare and submit an outline planning permission application for the development of the enterprise including a community hub building. <p>The Community Capacity Grant will fund the above and will enable us to clarify and quantify our business proposition and put us in a stronger position to access funding to deliver our final project.</p>
13	Will this application fund work to inform a wider, 'final' project? Yes or No?	Yes
14	Please describe the 'final' project that you hope to deliver.	<p>We have purchased an 8-acre site. Our vision is for a thriving and diverse community farm, collaborating with local people to create a strong local economy and social connection.</p> <p>The farm will create a regenerative land-based enterprise centre, consisting of three main elements: the land, outbuildings (workshops) and a community farm hub building.</p> <p>The hub will offer a place for education and learning, not only as an example of innovative green building techniques but a space for sharing the learning from Tregovenek. Renting the space will also provide an income stream for Tregovenek.</p> <p>We aim to directly create employment and training opportunities in rural skills and also provide facilities for small businesses.</p> <p>We aim to bring in inward investment to our locality and build skills for community action.</p>

		<p>We are working with Plymouth University to use the farm as a research base (see section 15) and an educational resource for our local primary school.</p> <p>We aim to become a model and inspiration for other communities to explore and learn about local food security, supporting community resilience, resource sustainability, strong local economies and social connection.</p> <p>Tregovenek will be an exemplar of community action and regenerative agriculture for those inspired to change how they live, work together, farm, grow food and manage their land.</p> <p>More information can be found on our website https://www.tregovenek.org.uk/ and annual report https://www.tregovenek.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Tregovenek-Directors-Report-Financial-Statements-2023.pdf</p>
15	<p>Do you think that your 'final' project will support any of the Good Growth outcomes listed in the Guidance document?</p> <p>If applicable, please list those that are relevant and explain how your project will support these outcomes?</p>	<p>Percentage of workforce earning Real Living Wage or above. We aim to create a small number of paid roles. These will offer the Real Living Wage or above.</p> <p>Improved connectivity to work, training and skills. We will create opportunities for entrants to rural businesses in a supportive environment. Our vision for Tregovenek is to be a place where people can learn about regenerative livelihoods, including learning practical skills.</p> <p>Increased capacity and place-leadership in communities. Tregovenek is a CBS which means that everyone involved will have the opportunity to be a member and have a say in how it is run. The people at the core of Tregovenek are experienced community builders, place-leaders and facilitators, and have been sharing their skills with training in community engagement, communication and decision-making skills with people involved with the CBS.</p>

		<p>Reduction in CO2 emissions. We are working in partnership with Plymouth University on a collaborative research project to assess the carbon capturing capabilities of different habitats and land management practises. The scientific work will be completed collaboratively between researchers, community volunteers, students and children from our local primary school.</p> <p>Regenerative agriculture is a method of farming that uses natural systems to build soil and soil health, restore water cycles, and encourage biodiversity. Regenerative agriculture promotes systems that capture atmospheric carbon dioxide, storing it in the soil in a more stable form (otherwise known as carbon sequestration).</p> <p>Nature recovery - The current 8 acres have been grazed intensively for the past 40 years and compacted by machinery. Hedgerows have been neglected and non-native fir trees planted. Using regenerative farming practices and organic methods we will support nature recovery and build biodiversity. We envisage a mixed use with some field-scale crops, some agro-forestry and/or silvopasture, wildlife corridors, extended and enhanced hedgerows, coppice and areas of grazing. The monoculture grass will be replaced with herbal leys, made up of legume, herb and grass species which support biodiversity.</p>
16	If relevant, do you own the site/building that this application relates to? If not, please explain who owns it.	Yes
17a	How much funding are you requesting? <i>The minimum grant size is £2,000 the maximum is £25,000.</i>	<p>The total cost of our project is £20,788.44 including VAT. We are requesting £15,814.44 including VAT.</p> <p>Quotes are attached for all of the expenditure. The figure above includes VAT where applicable.</p>
17b	Does this include VAT?	YES Choose an item.

18	<p>Do you need funding to cover 100% of the project costs? If you have answered 'No', what other funding has been secured and how much?</p>	<p>NO. Whilst our current funds are tied to basic running costs or specific grant funding requirements, we have negotiated an agreement with Mr William Knight to provide planning services pro bono to the value of the planning quote from TPG plus the planning element (£1200 plus VAT) of the Martin Perry quote. This reduces the funding we are requesting from £20,788.44 to £15,814.44 including VAT.</p>
19a	<p>Has your organisation received any grant funding in the last 3 years? <i>Please list all funding received (funding body and amount received).</i></p>	<p>Plymouth University research grant £360 Reach Fund £9900 for expert advisor support to become investment ready and prepare for a community share offer Cornwall Council Community Chest £390 to run a permaculture course for local residents.</p>
19b	<p>Have you applied for other Good Growth Funds? If so, which fund have you applied for and, if this has been decided, what is the outcome of the application?</p>	<p>No</p>
20	<p>What will this grant be spent on? <i>Provide details of what you would spend the funds on with a breakdown of costs, if it is more than one item.</i> <i>Please read the guidance about what is eligible project development activity for this fund.</i></p>	<p>The grants would be used for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expert advisors (RIO) to test and refining our business proposition, including feasibility analysis of local need amongst current and potential small businesses £5000 incl VAT ● Expert advisors (Martin Perry Associates) (structural engineer/planning advisor/specialist surveys and drawings) to undertake a feasibility study for a small scale workshop unit. £4560 incl VAT ● Reports and Expert advisors to prepare and submit planning applications. £6254.44 incl VAT where applicable ● See document <i>Summary of quotes Regenerative land-based enterprise centre feasibility study</i> for a full list of the quotes
1	<p>Project Delivery (maximum 150 words) <i>Describe how your project will be delivered. Who will lead the project? Will there be any delivery partners or stakeholders? What will their role be?</i></p>	<p>The project will be led by a Director of the CBS and a project group consisting of members of Tregovenek CBS and the technical advisors funded by this grant. It will report to the Tregovenek CBS Board.</p> <p>The consultants appointed to deliver this project will be assigned a lead contact at Tregovenek, who will set up regular contact</p>

		<p>points and monitor progress against the delivery contract.</p> <p>A number of the CBS Directors and members have significant project management experience including managing building projects. CVs can be provided if required.</p> <p>Stakeholders will include the wider community of people involved with Tregovenek, who will be consulted as part of the feasibility study.</p> <p>We will seek advice and feedback and maintain good communication with a wider stakeholder group comprising Parish and Liskeard Town Councils, County Councillor Phil Seeva, Parish of St Ives Community Resilience Project. The Real Ideas Organisation Pathways Team who are based in Liskeard will work with us to promote the hub and support young entrepreneurs based there.</p>
22	<p>Proposed dates for delivery <i>Please provide a start date and end date.</i> Projects must be paid for and delivered by March 2025. Your grant should be spent within 6 months of receipt.</p>	<p>Project delivery can start as soon as funding is approved and will be spent within 6 months.</p>

4. Declaration & Signature:

23	<p>I declare that I have read and understood the applicant guidance note, that there are no conflicts of interest between any members of the applicant organisation and suppliers used to undertake project activity, and that we have arrangements in place to ensure no such conflicts of interest arise during the project</p>	
	<p>Signature: (An electronic signature is sufficient)</p>	
	<p>Date: 6th November 2023</p>	

5. Privacy Notice & Declaration

24	Please tick below <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
I have read the privacy notice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
I give the Council permission to contact me about the Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly Good Growth Programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
I give the Council permission to share my information with officers and Members relating to this programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Name: Fiona Wood	
Signature:	
(An electronic signature is sufficient)	
Date: 6th November 2023	

6. Supporting Documents

25	Please tick below <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
I have enclosed our constitution	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
I have enclosed our most recent bank statement or accounts for the most recent year See Annual Report and accounts here: https://www.tregovenek.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Tregovenek-Directors-Report-Financial-Statements-2023.pdf	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
I have included copies of quote(s) (if already gathered)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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