



Vattenfall has been following closely the consultation that your Committee has been undertaking on the impact of the Covid-19 outbreak on the agriculture and fisheries sectors, food supply, animal welfare, climate change and the environment. We have been particularly interested in the oral and written evidence of the Environment Minister, together with Natural Resources Wales on the subjects of climate change and the environment, since Vattenfall has been, and is planning to play a greater role in assisting the Welsh Government in delivering its Green Recovery.

This letter is in direct response to your Committee's invitation to draw attention to any matters within its remit relevant to this particular consultation.

Our flagship onshore wind farm in Wales at Pen-y-Cymoedd includes the communities of northern Rhondda Cynon Taf and Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council. I have attached evidence of the way that our CIC has been distributing Vattenfall's Community Benefit funds during Covid-19. The details are displayed by local authority Wards within RCT and NPT Councils and distinguish between the funding for businesses and community activities to aid your analyses.

Vattenfall wishes to draw your Committee's attention to the funding that has been distributed in response to the impacts of the Covid-19 virus, and its attendant lockdowns. Indeed, it is continuing to distribute this vital funding to these vibrant but often deprived communities.

The social and economic impact of supporting businesses and organisations to deliver services and keep organisations afloat during such a challenging time will, in time, need to be measured. For now we are proud that our Pen Y Cymoedd fund has been able to inject cash funding to the heart of the Valleys economy.

If your Committee would wish to know further details of our funding process, then you are welcome to contact Kate Breeze at the CIC: [enquiries@penycymoeddcic.cymru](mailto:enquiries@penycymoeddcic.cymru)

Vattenfall also stands ready to appear before your Committee to give oral evidence if that would assist your consultation.



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**PEN Y CYMOEDD**  
Wind Farm Community Fund CIC

#### RCT

222 awards to date for £3,600,131 to 43 businesses and 179 community groups

Of which, 61 of those are in 2020 for £544,153 and 44% of that funding was COVID emergency (£237,060)

#### NPT

148 awards to date for £1,467,315 to 65 businesses and 83 community groups

Of which, 51 of those are in 2020 for £518,892 and 57% of that funding was COVID emergency (£297,903)

#### Across Fund Area

370 awards to date for £5,067,447 to 108 businesses and 262 community groups

Of which, 112 of those are in 2020 for £1,063,045 and 50% of that funding was COVID emergency (£534,963)

#### Notes:

- Some projects are across towns and villages and so have been assigned to location where initial or majority of activity will take place
- £485,000 of investment represents loans

**Funding in RCT (to 08.09.2020)**

Ward	Councillors	To Date		2020		COVID Survival	COVID Project
		Number of Businesses and Organisations supported	Total investment	2020 to date	Of which was COVID emergency funding		
Treherbert	CLlr Geraint Davies CLlr Will Jones	27 (3 Business / 24 Community)	£193,561	5 - £17,095	2 - £6,470  38% of funding this year	1 - £1,470	1 - £5,000
Treorchy	CLlr Emyr Webster CLlr Alison Chapman	51 (10 Business / 41 Community)	£820,439	17 - £174,531.05	8 - £83,265  48% of funding this year	3 - £43,190	5 - £40,075
Pentre	CLlr Shelley Rees-Owen CLlr Maureen Weaver	15 (0 Business / 15 Community)	£156,804	4 - £27,907	2 - £17,020  61% of funding this year	0	2 - £17,020
Maerdy	CLlr Jack Harries	6 (1 Business / 5 Community)	£16,889	1 - £585	0	0	0
Ferndale	CLlr Phillip Howe CLlr Susan Morgans	18 (2 Business / 16 Community)	£460,413	3 - £29,999	2 - £26,199  87% of funding this year	2 - £26,199	0
Rhigos and Penderyn	CLlr Graham Thomas	14 (6 Business / 8 Community)	£215,183	4 - £11,200	2 - £3,200  29% of funding this year	1 - £1,700	1 - £1,500
Hirwaun	CLlr Karen Morgan	14 (6 Business / 8 Community)	£197,137	4 - £28,301	0	0	0
Penywaun	CLlr Helen Boggis	4	£5,837	1 - £1,000	0	0	0

		(1 Business / 3 Community)					
Aberdare West / Llwydcoed	Cllr Ann Crimmings Cllr Sharon Rees Cllr Gareth Jones	16  (1 Business / 15 Community)	£319,079	6 - £140,625	3 - £25,193  18% of funding this year	1 - £13,813	2 - £11,380
Aberdare East	Cllr Steven Bradwick Cllr Michael Forey	28  (3 Business / 25 Community)	£1,102,239	5 - £65,218	3 - £41,866  64% of funding this year	2 - £36,577	1 - £5,289
Cwmbach	Cllr Jeffrey Elliott	4  (0 Business / 4 Community)	£7,997	3 - £7,510	0	0	0
Aberaman South	Cllr Anita Calvert Cllr Tina Williams	14  (7 Business / 7 Community)	£78,462	6 - £32,425	3 - £26,090  80% of funding this year	1 - £5,000	2 - £21,090
Aberaman North	Cllr Linda De Vet Cllr Sheryl Evans	10  (3 Business / 7 Community)	£21,090	2 - £7,757	2 - £7,757  100% of funding this year	1 - £1,200	1 - £6,557
Mountain Ash East (only Cefnpennar is included in fund area)	Cllr Pauline Jarman	1  (0 Business / 1 Community)	£5,000	0	0	0	0

#### Towns and Villages within fund area of benefit:

Rhondda Fawr: Blaencwm, Blaenrhondda, Tynewydd, Treherbert, Penyreglyn, Ynyswen, Treorchy, Cwmparc, Pentre

Rhondda Fach: Maerdy, Ferndale

Cynon: Rhigos, Penderyn, Hirwaun, Penywaun, Trecynon, Cwmdare, Llwydcoed, Aberdare, Abernant, Cwmbach, Aberaman, Cwmaman, Abercwmboi, Cefnpennar

**Funding in NPT (to 08.09.2020)**

Ward	Councillors	To Date		2020		COVID Survival	COVID Project
		Number of Businesses and Organisations supported	Total investment	2020 to date	Of which was COVID emergency funding		
Abergwynfi	Cllr Jane Jones	11 (3 Business / 8 Community)	£59,002	3 - £30,000	2 - £25,000  83% of funding this year	2 - £25,000	0
Cymmer	Cllr Scott Jones	25 (15 Business / 10 Community)	£259,748.24	10 - £180,803.24	7 - £103,308.24  57% of funding this year	5 - £88,258.24	2 - £15,050
Glyncorrwg	Cllr Nicola Davies	25 (13 Business / 12 Community)	£201,119.25	7 - £43,011	7 - £43,011.00  100% of funding this year	5 - £26,471	2 - £16,540
Pelenna	Cllr Jeremy Hurley	14 (2 Business / 12 Community)	£115,135.00	4 - £47,622	4 - £47,622.00  100% of funding this year	1 - £5,000	2 - £26,556
Aberdulais	Cllr Doreen Jones	4 (2 Business / 2 Community)	£54,467.00	0	0	0	0
Resolven	Cllr Dean Lewis	20 (8 Business / 12 Community)	£124,634.42	7 - £46,307.42	4 - £18,937.42  41% of funding this year	3 - £16,587.42	1 - £2,080
Blaengwrach	Cllr Carolyn Edwards	10 (2 Business / 8 Community)	£144,949.84	4 - £12,317.84	4 - £12,318.84  100% of funding this year	2 - £3,317.84	2 - £9,000

Glynneath	Cllr Simon Knoyle Cllr Del Morgan	39 (20 Business / 19 Community)	£508,259.80	16 - £158,830.80	8 - £63,772.80 40% of funding this year	7 - £51,552.60	1 - £12,220.20
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**Towns and Villages within fund area of benefit:**

Afan: Abergwynfi, Blaengwynfi, Cymmer, Abercregan, Croeserw, Duffryn Rhondda, Cynonville, Glyncorwg, Pontrhydyfen, Tonmawr

Neath: Aberdulais, Cilfrew, Resolven, Clyne and Melincourt, Blaengwrach, Cwmgwrach, Glynneath, Pontneddfechan

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