

Pendle Hill Fund Year 1 Projects

Overview

The first window for applications opened on 8th October 2018 for 6 weeks. The Community Engagement Officer advertised the Fund through social media, local contacts and local press beforehand, and was available to discuss potential project ideas with applicants before they submitted their final application.

In total, the Fund received 8 project applications, 7 of which were successful. Due to funding cuts and lack of time only 5 projects were successful to completion.

Projects

PHF1_001 – Higham Interpretation Panel

Start date: January 2019

End date: May 2020

Pendle Hill Fund grant claimed: £2334.45

Total match funding: £1123.15 (cash match)

Higham Parish Council aimed to install an interpretation panel in the village, which would include information about the Parish, specifically information that is lesser known. Due to unforeseen circumstances, this project was slightly delayed and so the applicant was granted a project extension to 1st May 2020.

The interpretation panel was successfully installed in April 2020. Unfortunately, due to the Covid 19 situation, it was installed with no accompanying publicity, but these is something which can be developed over the next few months. This project involved 6 people and included around 75 hours volunteer time (which hasn't been included in match funding because it wasn't forecasted).



PHF1_002 – Pendle Hill Song Fellowship

Start date: 9th January 2019 **End date:** 17th August 2019

Final Pendle Hill Fund grant claimed: £2977

Final total match funding: £5831 (volunteer time and gifts in kind)

East Lancashire Clarion Choir hoped to deliver a series of free half day singing sessions, introducing people to the Pendle Radicals project through the Pendle Hill Song Fellowship.

This project engaged with approximately 300 people, included 21 volunteers who were trained in 4 sessions; and participants were either involved in outreach sessions, planned sessions or a final celebration event. Participants included people who lived within the Pendle Hill area, as well as those who live in the surrounding urban areas but who may not visit Pendle Hill because of different barriers, including physical and mental health and well-being. Outreach sessions delivered to specific groups were used to demonstrate the benefits of singing on well-being and the final celebration event included input from participants and volunteers that had been engaged in a range of other sessions.

Legacy of this project so far have included a performance at the British Textile Biennial in October 2019, which involved participants and volunteers from the Pendle Hill Song Fellowship, as well as a wider awareness of the Pendle Radicals project and key characters from the history of the Pendle Hill area.



PHF1_004 – Rise Up Community

Start date: 11th February 2019 **End date:** 3rd July 2019

Final Pendle Hill Fund grant claimed: £5037.50

Actual total match funding: £750 (volunteer time)

Community Arts by ZK delivered 12 art/textile workshops to individuals and families from a range of cultural, faith and social backgrounds – including British citizens but also refugees and asylum seekers that have arrived in nearby towns. The workshops involved hands on activity, taking inspiration from Pendle Hill heritage and landscape, providing individuals with new skills and giving them an opportunity to meet new people and engage socially. The project was supported by a volunteer translator, and so reduced certain

barriers, giving some individuals the chance to get involved in a project which they wouldn't have had the chance to without a translator.

The project engaged with approximately 30 people, who have developed new friendships and learnt more about the Pendle Hill area, as well as new art/textile skills.



PHF1_005 – Heritage Trails

Start date: January 2019 **End date:** December 2019

Final Pendle Hill Fund grant claimed: £3890

Final total match funding: £12900 (volunteer time)

Pennine Lancashire Community Farm delivered 6 different trips, to give individuals the chance to access the heritage and landscape of Pendle Hill. The individuals involved were predominately of BAME background, living in deprived areas of Burnley, and so this project gave them an opportunity they wouldn't normally be able to experience - to visit new places and learn more about the wider countryside. This project witnessed very successful levels of engagement, enabled people to experience the rich heritage and landscape of Pendle Hill, experience different ways of life, meet people and build friendships both inside and outside their usual communities.

The project also recorded 96 pieces of oral feedback and undertook 10 in depth 1 to 1 interviews with BAME community. This will be turned into a blog post, because some of the participants did not give consent for the recordings to be made public.

The projects engaged approximately 85 people, and the knowledge gained will hopefully result in several ongoing mini-projects, specifically around textiles and cooking. Participants will also be involved with the preparation of a fleece that came from the visit to a sheep farm, and will continue to forage for cooking sessions.



PHF1_006 – Roughlee Habitat Project

Start date: 17th November 2019 **End date:** 31st December 2019

Final Pendle Hill Fund grant claimed: £2384.00

Final total match funding: £800 (cash match)

This project focused on improving the habitat in Roughlee and increasing the engagement and awareness of environmental issues with the community. It was achieved by planting wildflower seeds; creating a Roughlee Habitat interpretation panel; developing the village website to incorporate a wildlife section; and commissioning Lancashire Wildlife Trust to identify local ecological corridors and nature trails. To increase engagement, a volunteer group has been set up to explore and understand the local environment and undertake tasks such as removing Himalayan balsam.

More local people have got involved in the engaging with local wildlife and habitats, and a village walking group now meets up regularly for walks. Positive feedback has been received from the village about the wildflower planting new buttress planters and the interpretation panel. This project has involved approximately 45 people of all ages and at least 200 hours of volunteer time (which hasn't been included in match funding because it wasn't forecasted).



Total amount spent from Fund

Total amount requested from Fund	Total amount claimed from Fund
£20798.50	£16622.95
Total amount of match funding offered	Total amount of match funding obtained
£34563.50	£24063.15