

**Copies of all emails between Welsh Government officials and WCVA in respect of the CEW bid to WCVA**

**Email One: WCVA Official to WG Officials 3, 4 and 5 on 29 January 2020**

**From:** WCVA Official 1

**Sent:** 29 January 2020 08:18

**To:** WG Official 3

**Cc:** WG Official 4 and 5

**Subject:** RE: [This text has been removed as it relates to a different subject and is not captured by this request]- Nationally Significant Project Submission

Hello WG Official 3,

We had only 5 applications, from:

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Circular Economy Wales

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WCVA Official 1

**Email Two: WCVA Official to WG Officials 3,4 and 5 on 30 January 2020**

**From:** WCVA Official 1

**Sent:** 30 January 2020 15:31

**To:** WG Official 3

**Cc:** WG Official 4 and 5

**Subject:** RE: [This text has been removed as it relates to a different subject and is not captured by this request]- Nationally Significant Project Submission

Hello,

One of the NS applications is for a network of community fridges – so redistribution of surplus food. How do you feel about this as a national project, just under the £250,000 mark. As it is a Nationally Significant application, could I speak to a member of your waste team to ascertain whether food redistribution is high up on the waste agenda.

Thanks,

WCVA Official 1

**Email Three: WG Official 3 to WCVA Official 1 copying WG Officials 1, 4 and 5 on 4 February 2020**

**From:** WG Official 3

**Sent:** 04 February 2020 09:02

**To:** WCVA Official 1

**Cc:** WG Officials 1, 4 and 5

**Subject:** RE: [This text has been removed as it relates to a different subject and is not captured by this request]- Nationally Significant Project Submission

Hi WCVA Official 1

In the first instance, please speak to WG Official 1 from the Steering Group copied into this message. He will either advise or point you in the right direction of who can help.

WG Official 3

**Email Four: WCVA Official 1 to WG Official 3 copying WG Officials 1, 4 and 5 on 4 February 2020**

**From:** WCVA Official 1

**Sent:** 04 February 2020 10:08

**To:** WG Official 3

**Cc:** WG Officials 1, 4 and 5

**Subject:** RE: [This text has been removed as it relates to a different subject and is not captured by this request]- Nationally Significant Project Submission

Thanks WG Official 3, WG Official 1 so you have any availability for a chat at any point this week? if so can you let me know and I will give you a call.

Thanks,

WCVA Official 1

**Email Five: WG Official 1 to WCVA Official 1 and WG Official 3 copying WG Officials 4 and 5**

**From:** WG Official 1

**Sent:** 06 February 2020 11:09

**To:** WCVA Official 1 and WG Official 2

**Cc:** WG Official 4 and 5

**Subject:** RE: [This text has been removed as it relates to a different subject and is not captured by this request]- Nationally Significant Project Submission

Hi WCVA Official 1

Yes, I would be happy to talk this through. I can outline some previous bids for a similar scheme and share some thoughts.

When might be good for you?

WG Official 1

**Email Six: WCVA Official 1 to WG Official 1 and 3 copying WG Officials 4 and 5 on 6 February 2020**

**From:** WCVA Official 1

**Sent:** 06 February 2020 16:34

**To:** WG Official 1 and 3

**Cc:** WG Official 4 and 5

**Subject:** RE: [This text has been removed as it relates to a different subject and is not captured by this request]- Nationally Significant Project Submission

Hi WG Official 1, thanks for coming back to me, here's a little info from this app, ahead of talking:

**Project Description:** Community Fridge is a Community facing, non means tested, zero-stigma system enabling both the donation and collection of surplus in-date food to and from community members and local businesses. Community Fridge unites rich and poor alike.

The project can start as soon as funding is available. The 18 month duration ensures that a legacy of sustainable community run provision is created.

10 community serving organisations are interested in hosting a fridge, twelve in total, in every corner of wales covering: Newport Wastesavers, TooGood2Waste Aberdare, Sussed Wales Porthcawl, Choose2Resue Llanelli, Cooptions Rhyl, Given to Shine Wrexham, Antur Waunfawr Carnarfon , Tyddyn Mon Dulas, Flint Refurbs, Pembrokeshire Frame (2nd Fridge in Milford Haven). All 10 are based within eligible areas.

The grant will pay fully for catering standard fridges, development, training, logistics planning, business planning and promotion skills per site.

At first view I would question the need for the network approach as this is not evident from the application form, it seems that they are locally reactive to need/surplus food available for distribution and probably isn't feasible to redistribute to other locations within the network, no transport costed either. Also the project has costed 10 catering fridges at £11,000 which seems very expensive.

I can give you a call in the morning, if you are around?

Many thanks,

WCVA Official 1

**Email Seven: WCVA Official 1 to WG Official 1 and 3 on 16 March 2020**

**From:** WCVA Official 1

**Sent:** 16 March 2020 15:59

**To:** WG Official 1

**Cc:** WG Official 3

**Subject:** Circular Economy Wales

Hi WG Official 1,

We spoke about the circular economy wales application to LTDCS and its fit or lack of fit with WG waste strategy. I just wanted to notify you that we have received a letter of support for the project from Carwyn Jones.

WG Official 1, if you have a moment to give me a call, that would be great. This project is not recommended for funding by WCVA and the panel are meeting virtually at 10am tomorrow.

Thanks,

WCVA Official 1

**Email Eight: WG Official 1 to WCVA Official 1 copying in WG Official 1 and 3 on 16 March 2020**

**From:** WG Official 1

**Sent:** 16 March 2020 16:26

**To:** WCVA Official 1

**Cc:** WG Official 2 and 3

**Subject:** RE: Circular Economy Wales

Hi WCVA Official 1 – we spoke. The letter of support identifies the good that could be provided by such a scheme. We have considered this scheme previously – and considered the application again when received for this grant - and were clear that at a cost of somewhere between £11k and £20k per fridge - with a possible additional circa £90k for administration costs (depending how you look at it), this was quite clearly not a proper use of public funds, nor was it good value for money.

This letter does not change that advice.

WG Official 1



**Email Nine: WCVA Official 1 to WG Official 1 on 23 April 2020**

**From:** WCVA Official 1

**Sent:** 23 April 2020 09:57

**To:** WG Official 1

**Subject:** RE: Circular Economy Wales

Hi WG Official 1

Have you got a spare 10 mins for a quick call re applications to LDTCS?

WCVA Official 1

**Email Ten: WG Official 1 to WCVA Official 1 on 23 April 2020**

**From:** WG Official 1

**Sent:** 23 April 2020 10:09

**To:** WCVA Official 1

**Subject:** RE: Circular Economy Wales

Hi WCVA Official 1– hope you are well. Yes, I have plenty on but can certainly make the time for a call.

When is good for you?

WG Official 1

**Email Eleven: WCVA Official 1 to WG Official 1 on 23 April 2020**

**From:** WCVA Official 1

**Sent:** 23 April 2020 10:28

**To:** WG Official 1

**Subject:** RE: Circular Economy Wales

in about half an hour, what number can I call you in?

WCVA Official 1