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By G.G.Lerry (1946) (Information supplied by Mr VaughanWilliams)

Under Ruabon in Lewis's Topographical Dictionary of 1833, the following reference to the coal and iron industry at Ruabon is made:

This parish comprises an important part of the Denbighshire coal tract, of which the principal seam of coal is here nine feet thick. Its mineral wealth in coal and iron-ore, particularly in the southern and western parts of it, has caused the establishment of numerous works, which till the year 1830 were in full operation, and extensive mines have been opened; so that a great part of the parish is now occupied by pits, charcoal hearths, and mineral works of various kinds, and is intersected in different directions by rail-roads. At Acrefair, within its limits, there are a very extensive ironfoundry and colliery, belonging to the British Iron Company in which three hundred men were constantly employed. There are also numerous blast furnaces and forges in other parts of the parish, for the manufacture of iron; and at the Cefn, a large straggling village at the northern bank of the Dee, near a bridge over the river, called Newbridge, is a large establishment, in which are mills for rolling hoop and sheet iron; there are also considerable coal -works and a manufactory for coarse earthenware in this part of the parish. The Ellesmere canal, after passing over the Pont y Cysylltau aqueduct, terminates in this parish; there is also a branch canal from the aqueduct, on the north bank of the river Dee, which passes by Trevor and Llangollen, and terminates at Llantysilio, where it receives from the Dee a supply of water for the whole line of the canal. It is in contemplation to construct a rail-road, to proceed directly from the Ellesmere canal to Chester, and to be continued thence to Liverpool; a railway, three miles and a quarter in length, already extends from the Aqueduct through an extensive coal-field to Ruabon brook. Fairs are held annually on the last Friday in February, May 22nd and November 20th; and a post office has been established in the village.

Sensory Garden

The Froncysyllte Community Centre Committee wish to thank Llangollen Rural Council for their donation of £500 towards the sensory garden planned for the grounds of the Community Centre. Although there is not much evidence of development on the ground, we're working very hard behind the scenes with planning and costing for the project in order to secure further grants. Thanks also to all those who've written in support of the project. Your letters confirm that there is a need of such a facility and that it will be used and appreciated. Thanks also to those individuals who have made contributions to our funds. We hope there will be visual signs of progress in the very near future.

Chairs report

I have had the pleasure in attending the Celebrations on Saturday 3rd October to mark the tremendous award of World Heritage Status for Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and the 11 mile stretch of the canal

The event started with a very enjoyable trip across the canal on the Thomas Telford, a boat that is used by many visitors to our beautiful valley to travel from Llangollen and across the Aqueduct, where we were welcomed by singing from the choirs from the two local schools, Garth and Froncysyllte, along with Llangollen Silver Band, and the man himself Thomas Telford. The unveiling of the Commemorative Plaque happened after Thomas Telford gave his address. We were then invited into the Marquee where we were entertained by our World Famous Froncysyllte Male Voice Choir. This was very enjoyable, although I do believe we were the privileged few as there was no outside broadcast this being a great shame.

I was very honored to sign on behalf of our community The Concordat, this being an agreement between ourselves and all the communities along the 11 mile stretch to agree to the terms and conditions of the award of World Heritage Status and something I hope that our children and our children's children will uphold in the future.

We were then taken through to the Hospitality Marquee where a sumptuous afternoon tea was provided and served by one of our very successful community groups namely Cakes and Co. based in Froncysyllte. The afternoon then proceeded with many attractions, shows and community stalls on the main site. All in all a very enjoyable and successful day!

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Tracey Pugh

Fruit and Oat Scones

175g SR Flour 1/2 tsp Cinnamon

1 tsp Baking Powder50g Butter50g Castor sugar50g Dried Fruit

125g Porridge Oats 150ml Natural Yoghurt

1 egg, beaten

Preheat over to 200c. Lightly grease baking sheet. Sift flour, baking powder, cinnamon into bowl and rub in butter until mixture resembles breadcrumbs. Stir in sugar, dried fruit and oats. Beat yoghurt and egg together, add to bowl and mix to form a soft dough. Tip dough onto floured surface and knead lightly. Press dough out gently to form a 23cm circle, cut into 12 wedges. Place on baking sheet and bake for 10 – 15 minutes until well risen and golden brown.

World Heritage event goes with a bang!

A major event to celebrate Wales' newest World Heritage Site was capped-off with a spectacular fireworks display. Thousands of people turned up for the celebrations at Trevor Basin to mark Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and Canal gaining World Heritage Status. There were stalls, fairground rides and even a spot of duck-herding and ferret racing for spectators to enjoy! While a full-on entertainment programme saw Froncysyllte Male Voice Choir, Llangollen Silver Band and lots of other local acts keeping the crowds entertained. Organisers estimate that at least 5,000 attended the event, which finished with superb fireworks display that lit up the Dee Valley.



Clean Up Day - Will You help us????????

'The Aqueduct Community Association and the Community Canal Project will be working in partnership on a clean up day. The clean up will concentrate on Trevor Basin and also the area surrounding 'The Clinker'. Can you help to litter pick the canal towpath and surronding area? Many hands will make it light work, so if you could spare some time to help us out we would be very grateful. We will be meeting on Saturday 23rd January 2010, 10.00am at Trevor & Garth Community Centre. '

This project has received funding through the Rural Development Plan for Wales 2007-2013 which is funded by the Welsh Assembly Government and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development.'

'If you would like any further information please contact – Piers Warburton, Community Canal Project, Mobile No. 07920 810349'

Message from the Vicar of Llangollen

By Andrew Sully

During the week of the Fringe Festival in Llangollen I went to see the film 'The Age of Stupid' starring Pete Postlethwaite, which is a documentary film based in the year 2050. It asks the question why our present generation did nothing to stop climate change while we had time on our side. I found it deeply moving, and also disturbing. The basic truth is this: if we are to contain global warming to within 2°C, rich countries like ours, which bear the historical responsibility for the problem, need to cut their carbon dioxide emissions by up to 40 per cent by 2020. The richer countries should also provide the resources necessary for poor countries to develop using clean energy and adapt to climate change as it will inevitably impact upon them the greatest.

That's why the forthcoming climate-change talks in Copenhagen are so important. World leaders need to put these talks at the top of their agenda, and attend in person. It is not clear at present whether Gordon Brown will attend, not to mention US President Barack Obama and Chinese President Hu Jintao. America and China, as the world's biggest fossil-fuel emitters, are key players at the talks which take place from 11th to the 14th of December.

The lack of urgency by rich countries has prompted a sharp response by the UN's climate-change chief Yves de Boer. He warned a UN preparatory meeting in Bonn recently that offers by industrialised countries to cut their emissions 'did not amount to enough.'

I've decided to take up Christian Aid's invitation to get on my bike and join climate-change campaigners from all over the world in Copenhagen. They are staging a London to Copenhagen Bike Ride from 9-16 December – with three days of cycling covering 140 miles. It's a fantastic chance to raise funds for Christian Aid while adding my own voice to the chorus of campaigners.

If you'd like to sponsor me, I'd be delighted! You can do so online by going to the 'Just Giving' website and entering my name when it asks who you want to sponsor. Otherwise a cheque made out to 'St Collen's Church' and Gift Aided if you're a British taxpayer would be great.

Christmas services at St David's Church, Fron:

Tuesday 22nd December, 7.00 pm Nine Lessons and Carols Christmas Eve, 7.00 pm:-Christmas Family Communion.

Christmas services at Trevor Church:

Sunday 20th December, 9.30am
Carol Service
Christmas Day, 9.30am
Holy Communion & Service
Sunday 27th December 9.30am
Family Service

Remembrance Sunday Although it was wet and windy, the service of Remembrance at the Cenotaph in Garth was very well attended. The service was conducted by Mr Mike Rawlings and the music supplied by Mr Eric Hughes. A special thank you to David, Claire, Geraint and Morgan Lewis for looking after the Cenotaph throughout the year and for keeping it so clean and tidy.

Cakes and Company

Another season of Cakes and Company has come to an end, and what a busy season it's been. The highlight of course, has to be the visit by HRH the Prince of Wales in March and this was a fitting tribute to the dedication of all the volunteers.

The daffodils planted in our memorial garden in memory of loved ones were an absolute picture in the spring.

Among the events this season, charity stalls were held in the cafe raising money for various charities including the Kenyan School Project and Fron School PTA.

'Cakes' were delighted to provide the catering for the dignitaries at the World Heritage Celebrations in October, gaining many compliments from the guests served.

This is an ideal opportunity to say thank you to all the volunteers of Cakes and Company, for their hard work, and for caring about the community of Froncysyllte. As a result of their efforts, £500 has been donated to ten worthy organisations in the village. Darby and Joan, Pensioners Club, Seion Chapel, St Davids Church, Youth Club, Home Educated School Group, Fron School, Hopscotch Nursery, Fron After School Kids Club, Fron Community Centre.

If you would like to give up a couple of hours on a Saturday or Sunday next season, only your time is needed, you don't have to buy or cook anything before hand (unless of course, you wish to). Please call into Cakes, you would be more than welcome to join our team.

We now look forward to the Christmas celebrations on Saturday 12th December when the Christmas tree lights will be switched on. Last year little Matilda switched on the lights with her fairy wand, I wonder who will switch them on this year? This is a friendly, family event that is a must in the village calendar. Why not join us for some carol singing, seasonal refreshments, entertainment and of course a visit from Santa.

Merry Christmas and a happy new year, from all at Cakes and Company.

The cafe will reopen on Saturday 24th March (Easter Saturday)



Shirly Viney from Cakes and Company presents a cheque for £500 to Betty Thelwell for the Fron Pensioners Group



Anne Jones from Cakes and Company presents Pauline Roberts with a cheque for £500 for St David Church Fron

Fron News

£500 was raised for Kenyan Schools Project by Pat Wilson of Cakes and Company Community Café. The amount was raised through a charity stall at the Café, prize bingos and selling refreshments.

Fron After School Kids Club received a donation of £100 from Llangollen Rural Council. The money has been spent on Christmas Craft items for the Christmas grotto in the After School Kids Club, ensuring the children will be busy in the run up to Christmas. A big thank you from the Kids Club Kids!

Autumn Fayre held in aid of Seion Chapel on 7th November. £345.80 was raised.

Harvest Scarecrow Mrs Anita Jeffares of Fron School made a scarecrow for the harvest service in school at the end of term which proved very popular. The scarecrow proved quite a challenge to move from school at the end of the day, but after a few hiccups it was transported to its next destination, Seion Chapel Autumn Fayre, and £70 was raised through a 'guess the name of the scarecrow' competition.



Mrs Gwennie Jones and Miss Mary Davies enjoying afternoon tea.



Mrs Anita Jeffares and the Scarecrow

History Talks we very much appreciate the History Talks given by Mr Emrys Roberts who has agreed to continue to inform and entertain us this year. Evenings spent at the Community Centre in his company are extremely popular and all proceeds have been raised for St Davids Church, Fron. A total of \$346.50 to date.

We also wish to thank Geoff Alcock for bringing along old photographs of the village to the talks.

As a follow up to so much interest in local history, we now have a History Cabinet in the Community Centre. Items giving an insight into the past have been kindly loaned by Rosemary Wyles, Gron Roberts and Geoff Alcock amongst others, and we wish to thank them for their contributions

Amongst the items have been old photographs, books and publications of local interest, war memorabilia, and items of significance to local industry.

Anyone wishing to display items of interest in the History Cabinet for next season, please call into Cakes and Company.

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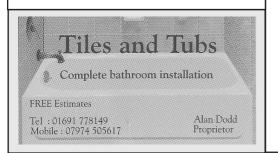
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Trevor Bowls Club meets regularly on a Thursday evening at the Garth & Trevor Community Centre from 8pm during the Winter months (September to March). If you are interested in playing or learning the game of indoor bowls then why don't you come along. We have plenty of bowls of various sizes on site so you don't need to bring your own. Games can be played for fun or competitively so why not try something new. The cost is £1.50 and includes refreshments. For further information contact Joyce on 823244 or Moira on 824401.

Trevor & Garth WI News

By Jean Roberts

The Institute celebrated its 80th Birthday in October with a party held at the Community Centre. There were several guests from other Institutes present as well as friends of the WI. Three members entertained the guests with their version of the John Cleese/Ronnie Barker/Ronnie Corbett sketch "I Know My Place" Veronica Lancaster amused everyone with her version of Catchphrase. The evening was brought to a close with some very rowdy singing!! A good time was had by all.

Trevor Cubs & Beavers – are holding a Christmas Bingo on Wednesday 9th December at 7.30pm at the Trevor Scout HQ. All welcome.



The Commonwealth Baton arrived at Fron Basin by barge and crossed over the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct to Trevor Basin. The baton had arrived at Chirk Marina earlier in the day and after leaving Trevor it was going on to Wrexham, where it was being received by an official ceremony the following day. Pictured is Jack Hughes holding the Commonwealth baton.

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Garth C.P. School News

By Mrs Clough

We have had a very busy term and have again gained the Healthy Schools Award for the sixth year. Teachers and pupils attended the award ceremony at William Ashton Hall, Glyndwr University.

Three pupils were invited to attend the Forestry Commission Conservation Conference at Plas Tan y Bwlch in October and they will help the teachers to develop Forestry learning Skills in the Spring and Summer Term. Here is a photograph of Andrew, Josh and Taliesin using their map reading skills to find their way around the activities.

Year 5 and 6 enjoyed a visit to RAF Cosford where we were able to see the war planes and James May's Spitfire made as a great big Air fix model. All of us enjoyed the experience and learned a great deal about life in World War 2.





This is a picture of the pupils by a large tank named Ann

We will be holding the Christmas Concert in Trevor Community Centre on Tuesday 8th December.

Bird Watch

By Anne Arnold

Sparrows, Great Tit, Blackbirds, Robin, Collared Doves, Starlings, Goldfinch, Blue Tit, Nut Hatch, Coal Tit, Crow, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Magpies, Buzzard, Chaffinch & Tawny Owl.

The Pontcysyllte Aqueduct has recently been drained to allow for a four day inspection of the structure to take place. The Aqueduct was drained by the removal of a large plug located in the middle of the structure When released it sent a huge torrent of water cascading into the River Dee almost 130 feet below, it took around two hours to drain.



Youth Club News

By Helen Jones

Fron

The last few months have seen us planting bulbs by the bungalows, banner making, Drugs and Alcohol night and running a stall at the World Heritage Day. Also big thank you for the £500 donation from Cakes & Company and thank you again to the Cornmill for donating their kitchen and Chef's for the soup that we sold at the Heritage Day.

Garth & Trevor

Allsorts ranging from kickboxing, nail art, games night, baking cookies, Alcohol and ginger beer making to a trip to Alton Towers. More thank you's to all the volunteers at the club and to Steve and his band-night at the Telford, which raised funds to pay for the coach to Alton Towers at October half term.

Hope everyone has a fun packed and truly enjoyable Christmas and New Year from all at Fron, Garth & Trevor Youth Club's







First is Chris and Ross Second picture is Tom busy grating ginger for the ginger beer Third is Gary and Darnell at the kickboxing night

Local walks

Julie and Vaughan have trained as walk leaders through Wrexham and Flintshire Groundworks and will be taking walks on a monthly basis starting and finishing at Fron Community Centre on the 3rd Saturday of each month, beginning on the 23rd January 2010. Walks will commence at 12.30pm.

Aspects of local heritage and points of interest will be pointed out en route.

All walks are free and last approximately 11/2 to 2 hours. Good footwear and a reasonable level of fitness are required, however if you would be interested in shorter walks. We would be willing to accommodate. More details in the Walkabout Wrexham and Flintshire leaflets, available in libraries, Community Centres and local shops. From Easter Saturday the walks will coincide with Cakes and Company Community Cafe opening times. Keep a look out on the Community Centre notice board or email Williams-julie@hotmail.com

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Bird list

By Julie Williams

Still plenty of natural food for the birds to eat as it has been such a mild autumn. Robin continues to call at the gate post for its food. Long tailed tits still feeding young.

Blackbird, Buzzard, Blue Tit, Chaffinch, Crow, Coal Tit, Collar Dove, Chiffchaff, G.S. Woodpecker, Greenfinch, Goldfinch, Gt Tit, Hedge sparrow, Housemartin, Jay, Jackdaw, Long Tailed Tit, Magpie, Nuthatch, Pheasant, Robin, Rook, Swallow, Sparrowhawk, Tawny Owl, Wren, Woodpigeon.

Froncystllte CP School News

By Kim Dodd

With yet another school year now underway, we have 6 new nursery children, giving us a total of 57 full time and 4 part time pupils. Our breakfast club is also fully operational with many children taking advantage of a free breakfast before school starts. We have managed to maintain our staffing levels this year, thus keeping class sizes small, although Hopscotch, which is now able to take children from age 2 1/2 has moved from mornings to afternoons.

So far this year we have had a workshop about recycling of waste, and the cycling proficiency course has started for year 6 pupils. We have received our third leaf in the Healthy Schools Award, and the children have all worked hard setting up a healthy tuck shop, which they run themselves during break time. Gardening club is continuing with the help of Mr Pimborough, and the school garden is developing well with the children helping out. The Pontcysyllte Funday was a great success, with pupils from both Garth school and Froncysyllte school joining together to learn two songs, which they sang beautifully for the visiting dignitaries. The school also ran a stall which raised £55 on the day.

We have recently received a major honour in being asked by the Commissioner of Wales for Children's Services to take part in a working party to develop children's rights. We are one of only three Wrexham schools chosen. Members of the School Council also attended a meeting at Glyndwr University last week to participate in an anti bullying workshop.

The end of term Halloween party organised by the PTFA produced some ghastly ghoulish sights and that was just the helpers. The children had a great time singing on the karaoke; watch out X Factor.!!! Congratulations to Thomas Jones (infants) and Adele Hughes (juniors) for winning the fancy dress competition. Many thanks to 'Disco Dave', and all the parents who gave their time to help. Your contribution is appreciated and you all did an excellent job. Congratulations also to Barbara for her brilliant face painting you should wear it more often!! Thanks again for everybody's contribution and for raising £88 for school funds.

An update on the World Heritage Site

Dr Dawn Roberts

Partnership working by the three Local Authorities (Wrexham, Denbighshire and Shropshire) with British Waterways to manage the site continues a pace. Work is underway on a public transport initiative for 2010 which if successful will see many of the buses coming out of Wrexham Town Centre to the World Heritage Site badged with the logo, together with signs at bus stops and at Ruabon and Chirk Train stations. The idea is that more visitors are encouraged to visit the site by public transport rather than coming by car. The 11 mile linear site is well served by buses between Wrexham and Llangollen, Llangollen to Chirk/Oswestry and Oswestry/Chirk to Wrexham. The initiative will see bus timetables enhanced with information on how to access the various parts of the World Heritage Site. Other than this imitative and coverage in the North Wales Borderlands and Real Wrexham general tourism literature, there will be no major tourism marketing campaign promoting the site as a single destination until the issue of additional car parking is resolved. It is hoped that by taking this stance, issues of car parking and traffic congestion will be reduced.

Community Police

As the festive season approaches I would like to wish you all season's greetings from myself and your local Community Beat Manager Gary Robertshaw. Looking back on the year there have been numerous developments in the ward and next year promises further changes hopefully all for the benefit of the community. The attraction of more visitors to the area is already apparent and measures to cater for the influx of people and vehicles by local authorities should be in place for next year. Although crime levels in the ward have continued to be low this year I would urge everybody to have a commonsense approach to prevent presenting unnecessary opportunities to thieves or distraction burglars. These include locking doors whether you are at home or out, not allowing people into your home if you do not know who they are or have seen appropriate ID, leaving a light on during the evenings and to be suspicious of callers at the door offering work around your property. If you feel the need to report anything suspicious please contact your local policing team, or if anything requires immediate attendance you can now call 101 which is the new non emergency number to reach the Police control room.

Finally I would like to thank my colleagues at Cefn Mawr for keeping an eye on the ward when I or Gary has been unavailable.

Regards
David Jenkins (PCSO)

Mobile Library

The mobile library will still be calling every three weeks on a Tuesday:

Garth Rockman's Arms 9.30 to 10.10 Garth Primary School 10.15 to 11.00

Pentre Village School 1.20 to 12.00 Trevor Community Centre 1.15 to 2.15

Rhosymedre Community Centre 2.30 to 3.45 Fron Lay-by by Cliff's Cafe 4.00 to 4.40

Dates for 2009: 22nd December.

Dates for 2010: 12th January, 2nd & 23rd February.

Any queries regarding the operating of this route should be referred to

Rhos Library 01978 840328.

Homelink Library Service

If you are disabled or have difficulty getting to your local library a Homelink library service is provided by Wrexham County. This offers a home visit every four weeks and provides access to the whole range of library and reference services, including books, Audios, CDs and DVDs. For further details contact Maifun Rogers at Cefn Mawr Library, by telephone on 01978 820938 or E mail Maifun.Rogers@wrexham.gov.uk

The dates of visits to your area for the next three months are as follows:

Thursday 7th January, Thursday 4th February & Thursday 4th March.

County Councillor's Diary

This is a brief update of the on going issues within the Llangollen Rural Ward. We are still busy with overgrown hedges, grass cutting, roads and footpath sweeping in the three villages, and other issues raised in the last Community Council meeting.

The Council's Parks Department, have allocated Daffodils and Tulips again this year, which will be planted throughout the Ward

Trevor Village Shop Closure

This was a blow to our community. I have been informed there is a lot of interest in taking the shop over, hence it has to go to tender. I have stressed the urgency to have it reopened. We wish Eric & Olwen a long and happy retirement.

School Transport

I will be calling a public meeting when we know the contents of the consultation paper, to see which will be the best way forward for our children. We did not meet the criteria for the 20 mph signs outside our schools area, however I did have slow down markings painted on the roads and also some playground and school signs installed where they were needed.

Car Parking

Reads Yard which is situated at the bottom of Station Rd in Trevor has been cleared as a temporary car park for the World Heritage Site. We are still in talks for a permanent parking site.

Welsh Assembly Funding for the Aqueduct bid

I would like to draw your attention to the rejection of a bid from Visit Wales which would have brought much needed infrastructure investment to the Pontcysyllte World Heritage site. This has resulted in North East Wales received nothing from the $\mathfrak L120m$ worth of WAG funding. I feel this is very disappointing that Ministers are ensuring that funding is piled into their own heartlands. It would appear the Welsh Assembly still don't see Wrexham as part of Wales!!

Policing

I would like to thank our C.B.M Gary Robertshaw and PCSO David Jenkins for all their hard work during the past year.

Overall I feel we have had a great year i.e.

World Heritage Status,
Prince Charles Visit,
Celebrations Day.
2nd in the tidiest Community competition.

All our local organisations have had a great fund raising year, and we can all look forward to our Xmas events. I would like to wish everybody in the ward a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. Thanking you for all your support during the past year. Any problems don't hesitate to contact me.

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AQUEDUCT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Christmas Activities

For Trevor, Garth and Fron

Father Christmas will be visiting the villages

Trevor-Wednesday 9th December from 6pm Garth- Thursday 10th December from 6pm Fron- Friday 11th December from 6pm

We will also be holding a Christmas fayre on Saturday 12th December at Trevor Community Centre from 2pm.

Switching on the Christmas lights - Salvation Army Band - Garth School Choir - Father Christmas-Lots of Festive Goodies. If you would like a stall contact:

Andrew Conde 07767845839

or Sue Kempster 810302. Everyone is welcome!



The Aqueduct Community Association

By Steve Edwards

We recently applied for some Big lottery Funding to purchase a Marquee, Public Address system, 6 tables and 12 benches to help promote the Association. The new equipment was purchased in time for the Aqueduct World Heritage celebrations on 3rd October 2009 and put to good use during the day, especially when the showers arrived!!

The equipment is now in storage but is available for local community groups to use free of charge (if available) for a community event, however a donation towards the equipment's upkeep would be appreciated.

If you would like to book any of the equipment please contact a member of the Aqueduct Community Association for further details.

Lottery grants are really easy to apply for and further funding is available to community groups who wish to apply. Go to **www.biglotteryfund.org.uk** to see if you meet the funding criteria.