

**Application for funding: Coal Tip Safety Grant**

Name of scheme	Coal Tip Safety Grant FY2025/26
Organisation name	Neath Port Talbot CBC
Project Manager name and contact details	Name: [REDACTED] Email address: [REDACTED] Tel No: [REDACTED]
Grant Recipient for Award Letter contact details (name, address, phone number and email address)	Name: [REDACTED] – Director of Environment & Regeneration Address: Environment & Regeneration, The Quays, Brunel Way, Baglan Energy Park, Neath SA11 2GG Phone Number: [REDACTED] Email Address: [REDACTED]
Total capital funding requested:	£6,345,000
Total revenue funding requested:	£
Wider benefits/Wellbeing Goals Please include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> any wider additional benefits how the proposed works will contribute to the well-being goals Link to Well-being of Future Generations Act	<p>The works to the coal tips will help to ensure the long-term stability of the legacy coal tips in Neath Port Talbot. The benefits will be that the local communities will have a greater peace of mind and security knowing that the tips in their locality are safe.</p> <p>There is also a benefit to the Biodiversity of the tips themselves as existing habitats can be managed within the works as opposed to undertaking clean up works should the tips fail. If the tips were to fail there would also be habitat loss.</p> <p>A number of the tips are adjacent to watercourses so failure could result in temporary blockage & potential flooding incidents along with pollution.</p> <p>The removal of the potential blight may increase the likelihood of further development & job opportunities within the valley communities.</p>



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Planned Schemes for FY2025-26

Scheme Name <i>(please give each scheme a name which should be used for the duration of the scheme to allow for easy identification by WG officials)</i>	Site or Tip Name/Location	Grid Ref &/Tip Ref	Category (A,B,C,D)	Ownership (public / private / multiple)	Date of inspection report	Period works to commence in <i>(immediate/ within 3, 6, 12 months)</i>	Description of works to be carried out	Works undertaken by (org):	Date works to be completed by	Cost of works
Dyffryn Rhondda Colliery Tip Stabilisation	Dyffryn Rhondda Colliery Riverside	A02	B	Local Authority	06/06/23	Ongoing	Reconstruction of gabion wall and armouring	WSP/NPT/ Walters UK	March 2026	£5,850,000
Complex at Centre of Cwmafon Drainage Works	Complex at Centre of Cwmafon	A001	C	Local Authority	7/11/24	May 2025	Vegetation clearance & drainage	NPTCBC	Nov 2025	£35,000
Torymynydd Rhondda Colliery Drainage Works	Torymynydd Rhondda Colliery	A025	C	Local Authority	7/11/24	May 2025	Vegetation clearance & drainage	NPTCBC	Nov 2025	£35,000
Bryn Tip Drainage Improvements	Bryn (Navigation), Port Talbot	A27	B	Local Authority	03/08/23	May 2025	Vegetation clearance & drainage	NPTCBC	Nov 2025	£20,000
Cwmgors Tip Drainage Improvements	Cwmgors	L69	B	Local Authority		June 2025	Vegetation clearance & drainage	NPTCBC	Nov 2025	£35,000
Cilmaengwyn Tip Drainage Improvements & Bund	Cilmaengwyn	L44	D	Local Authority + Private	9/9/24	Ongoing	Drainage works and creation of a containment bund	Earth Science Partnership/ NPTCBC	Sept 2025	£50,000



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Tre-Shenkin Colliery Tip Stabilisation & Drainage	Tre-Shenkin Colliery East	A73B	C	Private	3/5/24	June 2025	Blockstone protection to toe of the tip & culvert works	NPTCBC	Sept 2025	£45,000
Old Dyffryn Rhondda Aerial Tips Drainage Improvements	Old Dyffryn Rhondda Aerial Tips	A08	B	Local Authority	4/4/23	May 2025	Drainage improvements	NPTCBC	Sept 2025	£150,000
Pen Rhiw Colliery Tip B Drainage Improvements	Pen Rhiw Colliery - Tip B	N030B	D	Local Authority	20/09/24	May 2025	Drainage improvements	NPTCBC	Sept 2025	£25,000
	Various					Immediate	Tip remapping + Additional Inspections	NPTCBC	March 2025	100,000
							Total Cost of Works			£ 6,345,000

Technology - Capital

Technology Type <i>Drones / sensors/ Monitoring equipment / data package / training</i>	Brief description of proposed use of technology i.e <i>monitoring / inspection / investigation</i>	Total cost

Resources - Revenue

Job Title	Brief outline of role	Contract term	Total cost



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Consultation

What consultation do you intend to do prior to commencing any works? (Include any access consents to privately owned tips)

Prior to commencing works on publicly owned tips the local members will be informed.

Prior to commencing works on privately owned tips, we will be contacting the owners and discussing the proposed works. We will ensure that written permission is received prior to commencing work.

Environmental Impacts:

Are there any environmental impact issues associated with the works? (*Provide details of any impacts for each individual tip*)

All our sites will be inspected by our in-house Biodiversity teams with regard to any ditch clearance, devegetation or tree felling works.

Consents:

What statutory consents/permissions are needed? (*List consents per tip*)

Are all statutory processes to implement the work in place?

A Temporary Works Frap will need to be applied for on the Dyffryn Rhondda Colliery Riverside. Our contractor is already in discussions with NRW and the application for phase 1 will be extended so it should not impact on the programme of works

Value for money:

How will Value for Money be addressed?

The design work for Cilmaengwyn & Dyffryn Rhondda Colliery Riverside is being undertaken by consultants selected from the South West and Mid Wales Regional Civil Engineering Services Framework.

Similarly the contractors will either be selected from the South West Wales Regional Civil Engineering Contractors Framework, by our direct labour or for the smaller schemes by contractors selected from our select tender list.



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Risks:

What are the risks that work may not be complete by the end of the financial year
(please detail the risk per tip)

Dyffryn Rhondda Colliery Riverside requires work in a main river that is susceptible to heavy increases in flow. There is a risk that if the deterioration over winter 24/25 has increased the amount of work needed on site works will not be completed before the October embargo for works in water.

Any other relevant information

Please include and other information you feel would be relevant to support your application

Supporting document attached to application:

- Inspection reports for works >£10k : ~~Yes~~ / No
- Outline scope of works >£100k : ~~Yes~~ / No

Signed:

Name of authorising officer	[REDACTED]
Job Title	Engineering Manager
Signature	[REDACTED]
Date	30/01/25

APPLICATIONS TO BE SENT TO: CoalSpoilTips@gov.wales

CC: [REDACTED]

DEADLINE: **Friday 31st January 2025**