Wilder Pentwyn Project: Information for Prospective Evaluators

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Project Summary

Wilder Pentwyn is a two-year funded project (from September 2023 until September 2025) to protect, restore and share natural heritage knowledge at Pentwyn Farm, Llanbister Road, Powys. This project has received funding through National Lottery Heritage Fund. The grant award will help RWT forge ahead with its 30-year vision for a Wilder Pentwyn, to transform the land and work with communities and landowners to deliver nature recovery at scale.

The project will promote access, inclusion and support wellbeing while creating a place to share knowledge and help deliver public goods, like regulating water flow and soil health, priorities emerging from future farming schemes, and important outcomes for nature and people.

Heritage will be in better condition – we will restore the natural landscape and native wildlife of Pentwyn.

Community will have a greater sense of stewardship of our landscapes.

Visitors and volunteers will have improved wellbeing.

Awareness will be raised of the local and global environmental sustainability challenges.

Brief for Tender

The Radnorshire Wildlife Trust wishes to appoint an independent, professional external evaluator to assess how the Wilder Pentwyn Project has performed against its forecast objectives and outputs. Overall, the successful evaluating organisation will be required to support the project in gathering evidence and produce an Evaluation Report at the end of the project. The consultant will work with a group of project representatives and staff to help capture learning and the impact of the project. The consultant will have experience of evaluation of National Lottery Heritage Fund projects alongside some conservation knowledge.

The evaluator will be required to:

- Assess the project’s aims, objectives and outcomes and develop a methodology for the collation of quantitative and qualitative data that is achievable within the budget and timeframe available (January 2024 – September 2025).
- Brief staff, partners, and volunteers on the delivery of evaluation using the proposed methodology.
• Assist in the gathering of data by a range of methods as appropriate such as face to face meetings and interviews and/or running workshops/focus groups and similar with stakeholders.
• Ensure that project staff are made aware at timely and regular intervals of the actions to be undertaken to gather data required.
• Provide an interim and a final 2nd year evaluation report. Reports will be used to help RWT in its future management, but also to demonstrate to stakeholders/landowners the benefits of our approach.

Contract details

The fixed price for the contract is £6,500. This needs to include VAT if applicable.

Your tender document needs to include:

• Your day rate, and how you anticipate that the budget will be spent.
• How you plan to deliver the contract and timescale.
• Your skills and experience that make you a good candidate for this contract.

Closing date for a tender is 5th January 2024. Shortlisting will take place in the week of 8th January 2024, and a decision will be made by the 12th of January 2024. The Report needs to be completed by 30th August 2025 with a first draft for discussion by June 13th 2025.

Please email your tender to Chloe Jackson, Pentwyn Project Officer chloe@rwtwales.org

Tender documents will be assessed by Chloe Jackson, Pentwyn Project Officer, Silvia Cojocaru, Head of Conservation, and a member of the Wilder Pentwyn Steering Group.

Radnorshire Wildlife Trust are committed to promoting equality, diversity, and inclusion in all our work and we are determined that this opportunity is accessible to everyone. More information is available on our equal opportunities approach at request.