

West Devon TAP Application Form

1. About the Town or Parish Council making the application

Please give us the name of the lead Council, (the accountable body) below.

Name: Gulworthy Parish Council

Please tell us the names of other Councils and groups (stakeholders) collaborating on the project.

Stakeholders: Lamerton Parish Council
Tavistock & District Local History Society

2. Main point of contact for this application

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Town/Parish Council: Gulworthy

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TAVISTOCK

Please enter the post code in the following format PL21 0PP

Post code: PL19 0LG

3. Geographical area

Please describe the geographical area your project will benefit.

Area: The whole of the West Devon area and also wider afield in Devon, Cornwall, Somerset and Dorset.

4. Project name

Please tell us the name of your project.

Name: The Ward and Chowen Archive

5. Project objectives

Please tell us, in 3000 characters or less, what the aims of your project are.

The Tavistock and District Local History Society have embarked on a project to make available, to the general public, the Ward and Chowen Archive in a digital format.

Aims: Daniel Ward the founder of Ward & Chowen was the land agent for the Duke of Bedford Estates operating firstly from Uppaton in Chillaton and then Brentor, besides working for the Duke of Bedford he also did work for the Fortescue, Radford, Tremayne, Eastlake, Baring Goulds Lew Estate, Chicester estates at Chillaton, Hayne, Arracott, Bickham and Efford etc. to name but a few.

Ward and Chowen who are now the second oldest firm of auctioneers in Devon offered the Tavistock and District Local History Society the opportunity to scan and index documents initially from the 1830's to 1930, making them available to the general public in a digital format. Other documents from the 1930s onwards will be made available at a later date. The History Society have accepted this offer and are now in the process of gathering together the Archive.

Some of the books are suffering from the damp and we are taking advice from both the Plymouth Record Office and the Devon Record Office at Exeter as to the best way to proceed, but because of their fragile condition it is unlikely that they will be available for the general public to see. The only way that the public would be able to access the information would be through the digitized images, which we hope to make available on the internet.

For the project to proceed the purchase of an A2 book scanner is necessary, which holds the book/document in a cradle and copies from the top down instead of the bottom up.

The project has the potential to produce further income for parish projects through exhibitions from the archive, which will be available for all the parishes in the Southern Link area.

6. Funding use

Please tell us what the funding will be used for.

Spending: The purchase of an A2 book scanner (of the type approved by the British Library) costing £8,400.

7. Local benefits

Please describe the specific benefits for your local area.

The whole of the Southern Link area will benefit from the information contained within the Archive.

For instance besides the information from sales etc. details have been found of the design specifications for some of the Duke of Bedfords properties which could be useful for anyone renovating their property.

Benefits:

There is also information on the people employed breaking stones for the new road at Lydford, this was done to save money on the parish rate.

The list is endless.

8. Local support

Please demonstrate the local support for this project.

Does your project link to a Parish or Neighbourhood Plan? Do you have evidence of community support or need? Town and/or Parish Councils are encouraged to discuss their applications with their Ward and County Members prior to submitting an application. Please briefly describe their support.

Support: Support for the project was given at the previous Southern Link application, also the project is being launched at the Lamerton Tractor event when the general public will be invited to give their support or otherwise for the project.

9. Project duration

Please select the date when your project is scheduled to start.

Start date: 03/11/2014

Please select the date when your project is due to end.

End date: 05/09/2016

10. Funding

How much are you applying from us for this grant? (£100 minimum)

Amount: £3309

How much is the total cost of your project?

Total: £8400

Please tell us about any other funding, if applicable, that your project is receiving.

11. Other funding

Organisation: Tavistock & District Local History Society

Amount: £1,000

Organisation: Tavistock & District Young Farmers

Amount: £300

Organisation: Elmhirst Trust

Amount: £100

Organisation: Dartmoor Trust

Amount: £700 applied for

Organisation: TAP Fund previous application

Amount: £3001

12. Long term success

Please explain how you intend to make this project sustainable in future years if successful?

Comments: The digital archive will be available both locally (probably in the library and or the museum) and on the internet.

Data Protection Notice:

Your information will be used for processing your application and, if applicable, contacting you about any queries.

The information will be held securely by the Council.

The Council will not share the information with anyone else.

If you wish to see the personal data the Council holds, please contact the Data Protection Officer