***Carmarthenshire Business Funds***

***Expression of Interest Form***

***Research & Development Grant***

***PLEASE READ THE GUIDANCE BEFORE SUBMITTING***

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| **Applicants Details** |
| Business Name: |
| Contact Name: | Position in Business / Company: |
| Business Address: |
| Business Postcode:  | Tel Number: |
| E-mail:  | Website:  |
| Business Sector:*(Please refer to listing below)* |
| Business Activity: |
| Current number of employees  | Year Business established |
| **Proposed Project** |
| Please give a brief description of your proposed Research & Development project and an itemised summary (including costs) of the key capital and/ or specialist revenue items you will need to purchase for your proposed project:  |
| Item(s) and indicative costs   |
| Proposed sales / turnover – Are you VAT registered? Y/N  |
| Proposed Project Start Date: |
| Approximate Total Project Cost£ | Grant requested*Grants are based on no more than 50% of total costs and are capped at £50,000*£ |
| How will you be funding the remainder of the project costs?E.g., Own Funds/ Bank Loan/Overdraft:  |
| If you are receiving business or energy advice from any consultants/ agencies please provide details:  |
| If you are invited to apply, would you like advice and support with your application and supporting documents(Y/N)? |
| **Business Sectors** |
| A wide range of business sectors are eligible including those shown below:* Advanced Materials & Manufacturing
* Construction
* Creative Industries
* Energy & Environment
* Financial & Professional Services
* Information Technology & Telecoms
* Life Sciences
* Food & Drink
* Tourism
* Retail
* Care
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| **Conflict** **of Interest** |
| Are you or a relative going to be providing a price for any items associated with your grant application? (Yes/ No): |
| If yes, please provide details: |
| Do you or any members of your family work for or are Elected Members of Carmarthenshire County Council?  (Yes/No): |
| If yes, please provide details: |
| *Please Note*: If you are invited to proceed onto the next stage of the application process, it would be in your interest to return the completed application form with the supporting information as soon as possible. The fund is limited, and each complete application will be assessed on a first come first served basis.It should be noted that the Carmarthenshire Business Fund R&D Grant is a discretionary grant and is subject to approval by Carmarthenshire County Council. The Authority maintains the right to refuse any application. PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU MUST NOT COMMENCE YOUR PROJECT BEFORE FUNDING HAS BEEN AWARDED. ANY WORKS COMMENCED /EXPENDITURE INCURRED PRIOR TO FUNDING AWARD WILL BE DEEMED INELIGIBLE. |
| PLEASE RETURN TO: Email: BusinessFund@carmarthenshire.gov.uk |
| Date Completed:  |