The **Bluestone Foundation** was established in 2010 to help people to help themselves through environmental and social projects in Pembrokeshire. The Foundation underpins the ethos of Bluestone National Park Resort: our unique and beautiful county and its people. The **Bluestone Foundation Community Fund (BFCF)** provides financial assistance to communities across Pembrokeshire in partnership with Pembrokeshire Association of Voluntary Services (PAVS).

**Bluestone Foundation Community Events** offer a new way for Pembrokeshire organisations to showcase their work whilst raising funds to support their activities. In this exciting opportunity the Blue Lagoon Water Park will be open to the public and ticket sales shared between the chosen group and the Bluestone Foundation. Interested groups will need to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to be considered for this fundraising initiative.

This opportunity is worth up £5,000 depending on the number of tickets sold.

**Bluestone Foundation Community Event Expressions of Interest will be considered from Organisations providing Pembrokeshire based environmental or social benefits.**

Organisations demonstrating ***that they are prepared to help themselves*** will be prioritised.

**To register your interest to hold a Bluestone Foundation Community Event during 2026**

**Submit your Expression of Interest by Deadline September 15th, 2025**

**If successful;**

**Bluestone Foundation will;**

* Liaise directly with the chosen group to arrange the evening
* Work with the chosen group to promote the event
* Offer tickets via Eventbrite
* Open the Blue Lagoon at the agreed date and time
* Provide the facilities and lifeguards

**The Community Organisation will;**

* Have completed an Expression of Interest
* Work with Bluestone Foundation to promote the event
* Promote ticket sales
* Explore how it wishes to maximise this opportunity i.e. information stands about their service etc.
* Receive the fundraised proceeds\*\* from PAVS

**\*\*These funds are unrestricted, and this donation can be used to further the aims and objectives in line with their governing document.**

**Who can submit an Expression of Interest (EOI)?**

Any constituted non-profit distributing organisation based or delivering in Pembrokeshire and working for the benefit of the county. Please attach your governing document (Constitution, Memorandum and Articles of Association or Trust Deed).

Charities with a base outside Pembrokeshire may submit an EOI but must provide clear information showing funds raised would be used for delivery of a project in Pembrokeshire. Please set out the cost of project delivery and confirm that funds raised would be ring fenced for this project.

**EOI Form**

Organisations must apply using this Expression of Interest Form. Please complete your form electronically and email it to PAVS at [development@pavs.org.uk](mailto:development@pavs.org.uk). EOI’s must be sent to PAVS by 12 noon on **September 15th, 2025**.

**What Happens Next?**

EOI’s will be assessed by the Steering Group of the **Bluestone Foundation Community Fund** with support fromPAVS. Applicants will be notified of the decision by email. Unsuccessful requests will be able to submit a further EOI in the following calendar year.

**Help is available!**

Remember that if you have any questions or need any help completing the EOI please contact the Third Sector Support Team at PAVS (01437) 769 422 or [development@pavs.org.uk](mailto:development@pavs.org.uk)

1. **Name of organisation\***

Address for correspondence (**please include postcode**)\*

Contact name and position in organisation

Contact telephone number(s) (please include area code)

E-mail address

Social Media Handles (X, Facebook, Instagram) & Website address

**How your information will be used:**

PAVS Internal use only to administer the EOI opportunity, Bluestone Foundation will update the group on how this information will be used for approved EOI’s.

1. **Please tick to tell us which of the Foundation Priorities your organisation meets:**

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| **Social -** projects which address the effects of deprivation and poverty, with particular emphasis on youth. |  |
| **Environmental -** projects that address issues around two key factors: Reducing Carbon Footprint and/or Enhancing Biodiversity. |  |

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| Please explain how you meet the Foundation Priority/ies selected above: |

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| 1. **Tell us who your organisation supports (please indicate all that apply)** | | | |
| Older people |  | People with learning disabilities |  |
| People living with dementia |  | Unpaid carers/young carers |  |
| People with physical disabilities |  | People with mental health issues |  |
| Children & young people |  | Gender equality |  |
| Local Community |  | Other (please explain) |  |

**4. Please tell us about your Organisation’s aims and the main services/ activities you provide**

**5. How many people are involved with your Organisation?**

Committee Members \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteers \_\_\_\_\_ Paid staff \_\_\_\_\_ Members \_\_\_\_\_

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**6. Please tick to confirm that you have a bank account**

**in the name of your organisation.**

**7. Tell us how you would use the funds raised to maximise the impact to your organisation and what you deliver. If you are based outside Pembrokeshire tell us about the project that funds raised would deliver, tell us how much it costs and confirm that funds raised would be ring fenced for this project.**

**8. What difference will the money make to your beneficiaries?**

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**9. In a short paragraph tell us why your organisation would welcome this opportunity to host the Bluestone Foundation Community Event? i.e. volunteer efforts, anything special or unique about your organisation**

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**10. How would you market the event if your Expression of Interest is successful?**

**11. DECLARATION – TO BE SIGNED BY ALL EXPRESSION OF INTEREST APPLICANTS**

We declare that to the best of our knowledge and belief all the above information is correct and that in the event of being approved we will work with the Bluestone Foundation to deliver **Bluestone Foundation Community Event**.

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ am an authorised representative

of: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Name of organisation).

Signed\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

CHECKLIST - Please ensure that you:

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| Answer all the questions and a representative of your organisation has signed the declaration |  |
| Keep a copy of your completed Expression of Interest form |  |
| Enclose a copy of your constitution/ governing document |  |

**Please return your completed Expression of Interest to email:** [**development@pavs.org.uk**](mailto:development@pavs.org.uk)