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Dear Nick

Thank you for your recent query during Ministerial questions on 20 February, regarding the number of applications received to the Landfill Disposals Tax Community Scheme (LDTCS), from Monmouth and raising awareness of the scheme.

The new LDTCS supports local community and environmental projects in areas affected by the disposal of waste to landfill, providing support for projects which aim to offset these impacts.

The scheme went live on 1 April 2018 when Landfill Disposals Tax was introduced in Wales. It will fund environmental and community projects, which support biodiversity, environmental enhancements, waste minimisation and the diversion of waste from landfill, in communities within a five mile radius of an eligible landfill site or waste transfer station, sending a minimum of 2,000 tonnes of waste to landfill each year.

The Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA) administer the grant on behalf of the Welsh Government. WCVA has confirmed at present, there are no eligible landfill sites or waste transfer stations within the constituency of Monmouth. Therefore, no applications to the fund were received from your constituency.

A map of areas which are eligible to apply for grant funding under the LDTCS is available on the WCVA's website using the following link <a href="https://www.wcva.org.uk/funding/landfill-disposals-tax-communities-scheme/map">https://www.wcva.org.uk/funding/landfill-disposals-tax-communities-scheme/map</a>. This is updated annually in conjunction with Natural Resources Wales.

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The WCVA also publish a list of successful projects and this can be accessed using the following link <a href="https://www.wcva.org.uk/funding/landfill-disposals-tax-communities-scheme-round-1-grant-awards">https://www.wcva.org.uk/funding/landfill-disposals-tax-communities-scheme-round-1-grant-awards</a>.

A range of mechanisms are used to raise awareness of the scheme within eligible communities, working closely with County Voluntary Councils. These include WCVA and CVC newsletters, Twitter and events raising awareness of funding within communities.

WCVA monitor the applications made and target eligible areas where smaller numbers of applications have been received, in conjunction with local CVCs

I hope the information provided is helpful in answering the queries you raised.

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