

ROUND THREE PROJECTS

Community Climate and Nature Fund



BATTERY STORAGE INSTALLED AT PILLERTON PRIORS VILLAGE HALL

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Without this grant and other grant aid applications the village hall committee would not have been able to do the work which will help the long term financial and environmental sustainability of the hall, which is an asset shared by the two villages of Pillerton Priors and Pillerton Hersey. The committee is very grateful for the support of Stratford on Avon District Council during the application process and for the valuable grant aid made under the CCNF.

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ABOUT THE PROJECT

The aims of the project were to install two 2.9kWh storage batteries on the roof of the village hall, and to replace the existing inverter. Some other works were also identified, which included the installation of a rain cover to maximise equipment longevity, and addition of a Wifi dongle for monitoring purposes. The CCNF was one of three grants that the village hall secured to purchase the batteries and inverter, as well as the additional works outlined. The committee hired contractor M2 from Buckingham to carry out the works according to the desired specification. Various committee members were in discussion with M2 throughout the installation process, ensuring works were completed as planned.

IMPACTS

The installation of the battery is a major step towards the village hall becoming largely carbon neutral and will minimise the energy costs of hall. It also ensures that users will no longer have to use a slot meter to pay for heating of the smaller of the two rooms. Users of the larger room would normally have to pay for the wall heaters as their power demand could be much greater than that provided by the existing solar panels.

