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The Albert Hall calls out for votes to get a share of Tesco's Community Grants fund

The Albert Hall are bidding for a cash boost from the Tesco Community Grants initiative. Tesco works with community charity Groundwork to run its community funding scheme, which sees grants of up to £1,500, £1,000 and £500 awarded to local community projects.

Three groups in every community have been shortlisted to receive the cash award and shoppers are being invited to head along to Tesco stores to vote for who they think should take away the top grant.

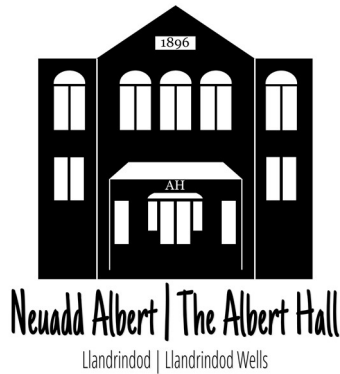
The Albert Hall is one of the groups on the shortlist.

We want to upgrade our community meeting space, our Lesser Hall, by purchasing folding tables, and a sound system. This will allow greater use of the space, and enable us to host different community events for wellbeing purposes.

"The Albert Hall is your community venue, meaning that if you vote for us, we will give you the benefit! Please support us on your next visit to Tesco!"

Voting is open in all Tesco stores in October, November, and December, and customers will cast their vote using a token given to them at the check-out each time they shop.

Tesco's Community Grants scheme has already provided over £85 million to more than 36,000 projects across Britain. Tesco customers get the chance to vote for three different groups every time they shop. Every three months, when



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votes are collected, three groups in each of Tesco's regions will be awarded funding.

Claire De Silva, Head of Community at Tesco, said: "Tesco Community Grants help support local good causes but especially those projects supporting young people, those providing food, and local causes close to our colleagues' hearts."

Groundwork's National Chief Executive, Graham Duxbury, said: "Tesco Community Grants continues to give local projects the boost they need to help their communities thrive. By funding services which support young people and reduce food poverty, we hope to facilitate positive change from the ground up across the UK. We are pleased to have been able to help so many local good causes over the years and look forward to seeing what community organisations can achieve in the future with the right resources."

Funding is available to community groups and charities looking to fund local projects that bring benefits to communities, particularly those helping to provide food and giving children the support they need for a good start in life. Anyone can nominate a project and organisations can apply online. To find out more visit www.tesco.com/communitygrants.

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