Connah’s Quay Scout Group is being helped to complete its renovation plan with a £20,000 Bringing Energy to Life grant from National Grid which is working on two major projects in the area to secure future energy supplies.

The grant will help the group replace the roof on the scout hut, completing a five-year renovation project.

The Bringing Energy to Life grant of £20,000 was requested for a new roof on the scout hut. This will be the last part of a renovation plan that has taken place over the last five years that has so far included new insulation, windows, kitchen and toilet upgrades and new furniture.

Connah’s Quay is the oldest scout group in Wales and has been running for over 100 years with Beaver, Cubs, Scouts and Explorer sections with over 200 boys and girls aged 6-18 every week. The local community also uses the hut for coffee mornings, bingo and other social events and parties.

National Grid is currently replacing equipment at Connah’s Quay substation so that it is able to connect new sources of electricity into its network, including the Western Link project which will bring renewable energy from Scotland to homes and businesses in England and Wales and help the UK meet its carbon reduction targets.

“This generous grant will make a big difference to us in these difficult times,” said David Rowlands of Connah’s Quay Scout Group. “and we’re very grateful for the support from National Grid. The new roof will add at least 50 years to the life of the building, and help make the hut more energy efficient.”
David Tyrer, Project Manager of work at the substation, explained, “Bringing Energy to Life is a wonderful grant scheme aimed to help communities and charities, funding projects that benefit the community in the areas where we are carrying out work. This project particularly deserved the grant because it will keep a vital community service running for many years to come, as well as improving efficiency and minimising heat loss.”

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