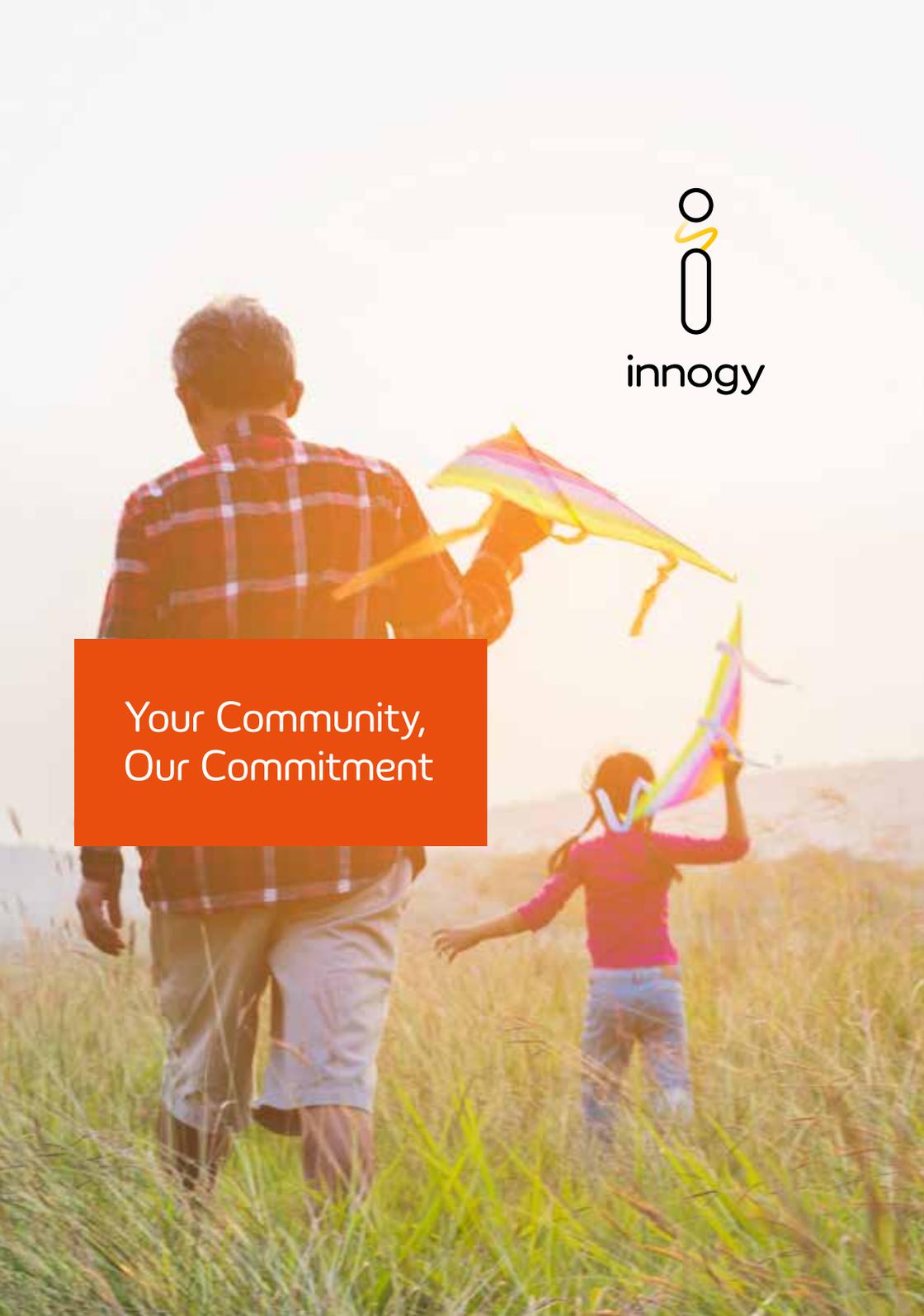




innogy

Your Community,  
Our Commitment





We are building lasting relationships and legacies

In 2018 innogy renewables UK's (innogy) renewable energy community funds continued to provide a sustainable income for communities close to our offshore wind, onshore wind and hydroelectric projects. In partnership with our fund administrators we are building lasting relationships and legacies, with local people deciding how the funds we provide can best meet local needs. Increasingly our funds are being used to unlock additional match funding, making them worth even more to the local area.

innogy's community funds are all about enabling local people to solve problems and make life enhancing improvements to their local area. Every community has different needs and ambitions, so it makes sense for our funds to be flexible and accessible and for us to listen to communities on how to make the most of them.

In 2018 funds have been used for a whole variety of projects that benefit the quality of life for local people, from community transport schemes and village halls to tourism initiatives and projects that provide training and develop job opportunities.

## Community funding from our renewable energy sites is different

- It is tailored to the community – every community is different and we take a bespoke approach to setting up funds
- It is long term – for up to 25 years allowing communities to plan for the future
- It comes from the private sector – so can be used to secure even more match funding
- It is simple – making it easy to access, with less bureaucracy than many other funding options
- It is very flexible in terms of:
  - Who it could support;
  - What it could fund;
  - Ways it could be delivered.
- It puts communities at the heart of decision making – giving local people more control over their communities' future.



# How we set up community funds

- 1 We consult with members of the community to collect local views on who should benefit from funding, who should be on the community panel and how funding should be invested.
- 2 We appoint an independent administrator with the appropriate legal structure and experience to support the community panel in administering funds, usually through an open and transparent tender process.
- 3 A legal agreement between innogy and the administrator secures community fund for the future.
- 4 A community panel is recruited and trained.
- 5 The community panel and administrator agree terms of reference for the panel.
- 6 The community panel and administrator finalise criteria of fund.
- 7 The administrator advertises availability of funds, supports panel, manages application process, provides support for applicants, monitors awards.
- 8 The community panel makes decisions about fund applications.
- 9 The administrator shares an annual report with the local community.

# Local decision making

We put decision making in terms of how the funds are spent into the hands of local representatives, so that local people make decisions about how their community is supported and can address what is most important to them.

Community decision making panels are a diverse group of local people, recruited by the community fund administrator, usually through a simple application process. Applications are usually invited from local people who have an interest in, and passion for, making a difference in their local area. Panel members may be young or old, working, retired or unemployed. They may come from a wide range of backgrounds and experiences. The more mixed and diverse the panel, the more representative of the local community it is likely to be.



“I see the community benefit fund as the most incredible opportunity”

Photo: Brechfa Forest West Wind Farm

“I only came on the panel because my wife told me to put myself forward. I was worried about the amount of work, but I’ve found myself seeing my community in a new way, and find myself seeing hope and potential during a time of unprecedented global challenges. I see the community benefit fund as the most incredible opportunity our community has ever had, this is a game changer for the next generation...truly a once in a lifetime gift horse. It’s made me passionate and committed to get this right as this money holds the answer to creating jobs and retaining young people in our community.” (Brechfa Forest West Wind Farm Community Fund Panel Member)

## Community funds from projects operated by innogy in 2018



£2,476,352  
invested into  
community funds



£1,612,455  
of grants made



220  
community projects  
supported



£148,285  
paid in administrative  
fees



Arts, Culture and Heritage	£375,260
Community Facilities	£588,903
Economic Development	£17,999
Education and Young People	£194,438
Environment	£57,560
Health and Wellbeing	£241,166
Social Welfare	£130,627
Tourism	£6,500

Grants reported in 2018 do not equate to the total funds paid out by innogy because of our flexibility in how they can be spent. There is no pressure to spend in the same year if the right projects are not available or ready. Most important is meeting the community needs and delivering what works best for each local area. This means that funds can be carried over and saved for projects in subsequent years. A very small number of funds did not return monitoring forms in 2018.

## Supporting social welfare



Gwynt y Môr Offshore Wind  
Farm in North Wales



The Trinity Community Centre  
[www.trinitycentre.btck.co.uk](http://www.trinitycentre.btck.co.uk)

**The Trinity Community Centre** has over 130 members, aged over 50, from their local community. They support people with dementia, recovering stroke victims and people with no family or support network providing them with social interaction. Social inclusion, improved nutrition and general well-being is at the core of what they provide their service users.

**A £9,999 investment** from Gwynt y Môr Community Fund came at a critical time when the centre was struggling to survive due to funding cuts. The grant has helped continue to fund staff salaries including hiring a new cook and a secretary/treasurer.



"My wife and I moved to North Wales over 20 years ago from the south and settled happily in Llandudno. She passed away around 5 years ago and I was feeling very lonely and isolated and starting to sink into depression. We had not made any real friends although we had some good neighbours, our family were some 200 miles away.

On my first visit to the Trinity Centre I was welcomed by many happy faces, especially from the staff. I soon became a regular visitor. What a godsend it was to have three hot meals a week – I am no cook! The Centre is very important to me as a place to find warmth and comfort which has helped me immensely and I have made friends who also enjoy the benefits of the Centre. If the Centre was to close down, I would be back at square one." (Norman)

# Supporting Community Facilities



Grudie Hydropower Station  
in the Highlands of Scotland



Torridon Mountain Rescue Team  
[www.torridonmrt.org.uk](http://www.torridonmrt.org.uk)

**Torridon Mountain Rescue Team** deliver a life-saving rescue service. They offer a world class, volunteer, front line search and rescue service. They maintain the ability to deploy personnel and operate effectively and safely 365 days a year, 24 hours a day and in all weather conditions. For many years they had been operating from a cupboard in the local youth hostel and were desperately in need of a permanent base. Torridon Mountain Rescue had already secured significant support from St John Scotland and then a **£50,000 lump sum community fund** from Grudie Hydropower Station allowed them to push the start button on construction of a brand new base for the Rescue Team.



Photo: Construction of Torridon Mountain Rescue



An Suidhe Onshore Wind Farm  
in Argyle and Bute, Scotland



South Loch Awe-side Community  
Company (SLACC)  
[www.loch-awe.com/local-groups/south-loch-awe-side-community-company/](http://www.loch-awe.com/local-groups/south-loch-awe-side-community-company/)

In their community consultation, **South Loch Awe-side Community Company** (SLACC) identified it could potentially take up to 50 minutes for an ambulance to reach an incident.

In 2015 SLACC was awarded funds to purchase portable automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) and have them installed in redundant phone boxes. In 2018 a further investment of **£5,320 investment** was used to purchase two more AEDs.

"The community feels much better prepared and confident in the event of an emergency" and that the defibrillator is "a permanent asset and tool of resilience in this isolated area" (Catherine Hill, volunteer director with SLACC)

# Supporting arts, culture and heritage



Photo: Prints for packaging



Photo: Getting ready for asbestos removal team



Gwynt y Môr Offshore Wind  
Farm in North Wales



[www.llandudnomuseum.co.uk](http://www.llandudnomuseum.co.uk)



**Match funding of £138,148.10**

A £125,000 community fund investment secured an additional £138,148.10 of match funding to support the refurbishment of **Llandudno's historic museum building** allowing many more generations to enjoy the artefacts history and culture that it showcases.

A group of local volunteers have already assisted with decanting of the museum's collections into storage ready for the refurbishment to start: "The expansion and re-display at Llandudno Museum is a big and exciting project for our small charitable trust and we have been thrilled by the support of Gwynt-y-Mor and organisations from all sectors." (Museum volunteer)

"I found the training given was invaluable as it gave me the confidence to handle this valuable collection and also to work with and meet other volunteers". (Museum volunteer)

"We are now looking forward to the next phase of the project when the builders work is complete and they can fit out the refurbished museum and make it a place to be proud of for the people of Llandudno" (Roy Haley Chair of Trustees)

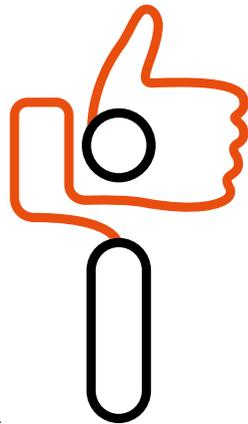
# Supporting education and young people



Photo: Castaway

## Goole Fields Onshore Wind Farm in East Riding of Yorkshire, England

Castaway provides performing, leisure and training opportunities for adults and young people with learning and physical disabilities and autistic spectrum conditions. **£9,827 from the wind farm fund** has helped pay for volunteer training and improving the disability access to the theatre.



## Brechfa Forest West Onshore Wind Farm in Carmarthenshire, Wales

The local secondary school at Brechfa Forest West Wind Farm in Wales has been **awarded £55,000** over 2 years towards the first all-weather 3G sports pitch of its kind in the county. This is a significant contribution towards the final funding shortfall for this project meaning that it will go ahead in 2019 as planned. At the request of the community panel the school will also provide free sessions to clubs and groups closest to the wind farm.

# Four new community funds launched in 2018

## Brechfa Forest West Onshore Wind Farm £459,200 per year\*

Carmarthenshire; 28 turbines;  
Installed capacity 57.4MW

- Following a competitive tender, Antur Teifi have been selected as the fund administrator.
- Following an innovative approach, Severn Wye Energy Agency have also been appointed to deliver community development support with the aim of maximising the benefits of the fund for the local community.

“We are thrilled to have won this contract and excited by the huge potential and significant opportunities that the Brechfa Forest West Wind Farm Fund can deliver.” (Kevin Harrington, Antur Teifi)

[www.brechfawestfund.cymru](http://www.brechfawestfund.cymru)



## Mynydd y Gwair Onshore Wind Farm £240,000 per year\*

North of Swansea between Ammanford and Clydach; 16 Turbines;  
Installed capacity 32.8MW

- This flexible funding has the potential to significantly benefit communities both very local to the windfarm and more widely across Swansea regional area.
- [www.scvs.org.uk/myg-commfund](http://www.scvs.org.uk/myg-commfund)

## Triton Knoll Offshore Wind Farm

East Coast: 90 Turbines;  
Installed Capacity 857MW  
Project owners innogy (59%) and partners J-Power (25%) and Kansai Electric Power (16%)

Officially launched in August it is a £1.5million two-part Community Fund with an initial £500,000 to support local community projects and priorities over the two years of onshore construction works.

Once generating, a second fund, worth £40,000 a year, (index linked each year in line with inflation) will support communities closest to the onshore substation and landfall sites.

[www.tritonknoll.co.uk](http://www.tritonknoll.co.uk)

## Grudie Hydropower Station

Highlands of Scotland, 2 MW

£50,000 one off community fund payment to Torriodon Mountain Rescue Team.

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