

Forgandenny to bloom brighter after wind farm cash boost

- **£2,487.00 awarded to volunteer-led Forgandenny in Flower**

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The Perthshire village of Forgandenny will be “blooming marvellous” come summer 2018 following a cash injection from Innogy Renewables UK’s (innogy) Lochelbank Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund.

Almost £2,500.00 has been awarded to Forgandenny in Flower, to purchase gardening equipment, including a shed, hand tools, hanging baskets, compost and plants and to distribute hanging baskets across the village.

Chris Williams, Chair of the Forgandenny in Flower group, commented: “We are absolutely delighted to have been awarded the full amount of the grant we applied for, and thank Lochelbank Wind Farm Community Fund for their support.

“We only started Forgandenny in Flower last July and have already provided and planted out some planters throughout the village. However, this substantial grant will allow us to buy equipment, a storage facility, plants and compost to continue a sustainable planting project for the local residents to enjoy, and hopefully become involved in.”

Kathryn Harries, UK Community Investment Officer with innogy said: “We are delighted that through our renewables projects we can provide funding where it can make a difference to the day-to-day life of the communities that neighbour our wind farms.

“I would urge other groups in the area who could benefit from some funding to make an application to the Lochelbank fund.”

Deadlines for funding applications in 2018 are:

- Wednesday 14 February 2018
- Wednesday 13 June 2018
- Wednesday 12 September 2018

Decisions are made around 7-8 weeks later.

innogy’s Lochelbank Wind Farm, which began operating in June 2010, will provide around £500,000 over its 25 year lifespan, for use by the community for local projects, organisations and groups.

Lochelbank Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund is administered by Foundation Scotland. For more information about their work, the fund and the funding criteria visit:

www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/lochelbank.aspx

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