




BRISTOL ENERGY COOPERATIVE

LOCATION: BRISTOL, SOUTH WEST
WHO BENEFITS: LOCAL COMMUNITY, FAMILIES & INDIVIDUALS IN FUEL POVERTY
DATE OF INVESTMENT: MAY 2016

Bristol Energy Cooperative (BEC) is a community-owned energy cooperative, growing Greater Bristol's local green energy supply and making the benefits available to all. SASC invested £800,000 from the Community Investment Fund alongside a grant from Power to Change to support the development of a solar farm in the Lawrence Weston area, a community facing multiple indicators of deprivation. Over the last 12 months the solar farm has generated enough electricity to power 1,000 homes. The project has also begun to generate surpluses which will be invested back into the Lawrence West Community via local community organisation Ambition Lawrence Weston and to fund other fuel poverty initiatives in the Bristol area from May 2018. Ambition Lawrence Weston has a strong track record of improving livelihoods for its residents. It has developed services and programmes to improve access to employment, community planning and engagement and is working on a new affordable homes scheme.

 Bristol Energy Cooperative

2017 IMPACT DATA



1000

HOMES POWERED BY RENEWABLE ENERGY



£155K

GRANT LEVERAGED FOR COMMUNITY USE



RESILIENT ENERGY MOUNTENEYS RENEWABLES

LOCATION: KINGSWOOD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE
WHO BENEFITS: LOCAL COMMUNITY, FAMILIES & INDIVIDUALS IN FUEL POVERTY
DATE OF INVESTMENT: OCTOBER 2016

At the end of 2016, SASC provided a £1.6m loan from the Community Investment Fund to a community benefit society called Resilient Energy Mounteneys Renewables (REMR). The loan financed the construction and installation of two wind turbines. REMR's turbines were built to deliver renewable energy and community benefits to the residents of Kingswood, Hillesley and Wickwar in Gloucestershire. They began generating energy in April 2017.

REMR will put the surplus generated from the energy assets into a community benefit plan. The plan will focus on community resilience and on fuel poverty initiatives. In the first 12 months of operating the turbines, REMR will have donated £13,500 to the Community Resilience Fund. REMR's Directors are in the process of putting together a local advisory panel to help choose which projects the fund should support. REMR's turbines will also have also saved 850 tonnes of CO₂ emissions in their first year of operating; and have provided employment for 10 local contractors.



RESILIENT ENERGY
 Mounteneys Renewables Ltd
 TWO COMMUNITY WIND TURBINES

2017 IMPACT DATA



£13,500

TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY



850

TONNES OF CO₂ SAVED



STOREROOM2010

LOCATION: ISLE OF WIGHT

**WHO BENEFITS: LOCAL COMMUNITY,
LOW INCOME FAMILIES, LONG TERM
UNEMPLOYED**

DATE OF INVESTMENT: JULY 2016

Storeroom2010 sells furniture and household goods donated by the public. Last year the charity sold 15,000 items that helped deprived families on the Isle of Wight furnish their homes. In 2016 a loan of £360,000 from the Community Investment Fund, combined with a Power to Change grant of £80,000, allowed Storeroom2010 to buy the warehouse where it stores and sells furniture. This was a key move forward in an area that has few buildings suitable for such use. In 2017, Storeroom Education, a subsidiary offering education and training, also provided free or low cost accredited vocational training courses to 240 individuals (up from 221 in the previous year). These courses helped improve skills and employment prospects. Across both activities Storeroom has created dozens of volunteering opportunities for the local community.



2017 IMPACT DATA



179,581

KGS SAVED
FROM LANDFILL



240

INDIVIDUALS
TRAINED



CASE STUDY:

STEWART KEY (APPRENTICE)

Stewart joined Storeroom2010 as a volunteer in 2015. Storeroom Education went on to offer him training. Over a relatively short period of time, Stewart has now acquired two qualifications: NOCN Level 1 Health and Safety in Construction and NOCN Level 1 Carpentry & Joinery in Construction. He is working towards NOCN Level 2 in Carpentry & Joinery in Construction. Stewart has shown he can work on complex projects and has an ability to plan and design on-site works. His efforts and dedication to supporting charity and social enterprise projects at Storeroom Education are second to none.

Continued good progress saw Stewart start training as a Teaching Assistant. He has now begun his first paid job in two years with an activity workshop in furniture restoration and recycling. This includes drop in sessions that learners can take part in. Stewart has also now completed his Award in Education and Teaching. Being trained in NOCN approved courses allows him to provide accredited courses. Stewart is hard working and dedicated. Storeroom Education's long term plan is to develop Stewart into a tutor and integrate him as a fully established member of the teaching team.

Alongside his paid job, Stewart continues to volunteer at Storeroom2010.



CHIME

LOCATION: EXETER, DEVON
WHO BENEFITS: ADULTS AND CHILDREN WITH HEARING LOSS AND HEARING IMPAIRMENT
DATE OF INVESTMENT: AUGUST 2015

Based in Exeter, Chime CIC spun out of the NHS in 2011 as an independent social enterprise. Today the organisation runs dedicated hearing clinics for adults and children across 15 locations throughout Devon. It sees 30,000 patients a year. In 2015 SASC made a £170,000 loan from the Community Investment Fund. This paid for a leasehold property in Exeter city centre to be fitted out with five new treatment rooms. Over the last 12 months, Chime has continued to benefit from this high street presence. It was able to see an additional 2,500 patients at the Chime Hearing Centre in Exeter, many of whom were previously on waiting lists. The quality of care at Chime is high with consistently positive patient feedback. Chime recently opened a walk-in repair clinic at the centre to help more patients. It is also managing a government funded Veterans Hearing Fund, dedicated to supporting veterans who acquired hearing loss during military service. The fund is open to those facing needs that statutory services cannot meet. Chime has maintained the three new job posts created at the Hearing Centre and strengthened its relationship with hearing aid provider Phonak, giving the social enterprise the opportunity to set a new standard in high street hearing services.



2017 IMPACT DATA



2,500

NEW PATIENTS TREATED



3

ADDITIONAL JOBS CREATED



SPACIOUS PLACE CONTACT

LOCATION: BURNLEY, LANCASHIRE
WHO BENEFITS: UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE, INCLUDING MORE VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS
DATE OF INVESTMENT: OCTOBER 2015

The Community Investment Fund provided Spacious Place Contact (SPC) with a £1.5m loan alongside a £500,000 grant from Power to Change. This funded the purchase of Slater Terrace, a grade II listed former cotton mill in Burnley. The purchase enabled SPC to create a place of employment and training for disadvantaged people. In 2017 SPC moved away from acting as an employer of vulnerable individuals. It now focuses on pre-employment engagement and workplace support for employees in private companies, particularly in the call centre sector. This shift in delivery model allows SPC to deploy its strong engagement and support skills without having to take undue commercial risks. As part of this process, and as flagged in the lessons learned section, SPC has decoupled from its joint venture with Intelling, its former private sector partner. Intelling took over employment of all SPC's call centre employees and remains a key tenant at Slater Terrace. From its side SASC has amended existing facilities and provided additional capital to give SPC the time and space to develop its high impact model of support.



2017 IMPACT DATA



30

INDIVIDUALS HELPED INTO FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT



7

MANAGERS RECEIVED WORK PLACE TRAINING



**Child
Dynamix**

Communities where children
& young people thrive!

2017 IMPACT DATA



53

AFFORDABLE
CHILDCARE PLACES
CREATED



42%

CHILDREN RECEIVING
EARLY EDUCATION
FUNDING

CHILD DYNAMIX

LOCATION: HULL, YORKSHIRE
WHO BENEFITS: CHILDREN & LOW
INCOME FAMILIES

DATE OF INVESTMENT: JULY 2016

The Community Investment Fund provided a £260,000 loan alongside a £80,000 grant from Power to Change. This enabled Child Dynamix to buy and refurbish a new 53-place nursery in Hull. The Boulevard nursery opened in the Autumn of 2016. Since then it has steadily increased occupancy towards the levels seen at the other two nurseries that Child Dynamix operates in Hull. To put this in context, children at Boulevard speak 14 different languages, compared with 3-4 in the other two settings. Boulevard's more diverse community creates an extra challenge. So, too, does the implementation of the government's 30 hours of free childcare policy. Child Dynamix's nurseries form part of a much broader provision of support to children and young people growing up in challenging and difficult circumstances in Hull and Humberside. Overall, Child Dynamix works with 6,000 individuals every year.