



## Knabs Ridge Wind Farm Community Fund Annual Report Spring 2020

This report details the grants made from the Knabs Ridge Wind Farm Fund during the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 to 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020. The fund was set up by Innogy Renewables UK Ltd and is administered by Two Ridings Community Foundation to provide grants that enhance life for residents in the communities around the wind farm.

Grants are available of up to £2500 for a wide variety of purposes supporting charitable activities that:-

- Enhance quality of life for local residents
- Contribute to vibrant, healthy, successful and sustainable communities
- Promote community spirit and encourage community activity

Micro grants of up to £500 are available throughout the year (subject to available funding). Larger grants of up to £2500 are made following decisions by a panel made up of local residents.

This year, seven micro grants were awarded, totalling £3235. Larger grants totalled £17,310, eight in all. In total, 15 groups were funded with a total of £20,545.



With the support of the Knabs Ridge Wind Farm Fund many communities provide amenities for all local residents. Blubberhouses cricket club (*pictured, left*), already welcoming people from a range of ages, were awarded £2056 to improve their play area. Families could watch the play at cricket matches while smaller children can still have fun. Everyone is welcome to use the play area.

When a community gets together to enjoy activities and time together, volunteers often shoulder the responsibility of organising and carrying out the events. Darley Memorial Hall applied for £1000 for (among other items) kitchen equipment. They intended that it would be used to replace old, lost and out-of-date equipment, and would make catering for events

much easier for the volunteers. In October, the Memorial Hall reported that one of their volunteers who helps in the kitchen was enjoying using the new equipment. She was even looking forward to their New Year's Eve event which would include a three course meal for 160 people! The volunteers say that they are able to spend more time socialising at events now their work is easier.



Being part of a community often involves supporting everyone to take part in the activities that they enjoy. Summerbridge and Dacre Silver Band used a micro grant of £500 to purchase a baritone horn so that members and potential members would not personally have to make the large outlay.

*Member of the Summerbridge and Dacre Silver band showing off their new baritone horn.*

Darley Playing Field Association were able to make their community shop, post office and café more welcoming and comfortable to all with the installation of a new ventilation system. Previous summers and winters had not been pleasant!



Trips out for people who might otherwise struggle to leave their homes can help older or less mobile residents be part of their communities. Both the Hampsthwaite WI and Hampsthwaite Wednesday Club ran trips with a micro grant.

Alongside smaller trips, large events can also bring the community together. Hampsthwaite Feast (*pictured left*) now has a new PA system for its events and to loan out to other community organisations. Fortunately, there were no lost children this year but they say that the PA system is still very valuable.

## Statement of Grants Awarded

**Accounting Period:** 01 April 2019 to 14 February 2020

### Statement

	Date	Credit	Debit	
<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>01/04/2019</b>			<b>£24,638.45</b>
Hampsthwaite Gardening Club	02/05/2019		£390.00	
Nidderdale Plus Partnership	02/05/2019		£500.00	
Birstwith Horticultural Society	28/06/2019		£2,499.00	
Dancing for Well Being	28/06/2019		£250.00	
Blubberhouses Cricket Club	28/06/2019		£2,056.00	
Christ Church Community Centre	28/06/2019		£2,500.00	
Darley Playing Field Association (DPFA)	28/06/2019		£1,755.00	
Haverah Park with Beckwithshaw Parish Council	28/06/2019		£2,500.00	
Fewston with Blubberhouses Churches	28/06/2019		£2,500.00	
Darley Memorial Hall	28/06/2019		£1,000.00	
Dancing for Well Being	28/06/2019		£2,250.00	
Returned Payment from Dancing for Well Being	16/07/2019	£250.00		
Hampsthwaite Feast	16/07/2019		£500.00	
Hampsthwaite Women's Institute	06/08/2019		£345.00	
Hampsthwaite Wednesday Group	29/10/2019		£500.00	
Summerbridge and Dacre Silver Band	29/10/2019		£500.00	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£250.00</b>	<b>£20,045.00</b>	
<b>Balance</b>				<b>£4,843.45</b>

### Grants Awarded

Applicant	Date approved	Amount	Description	Round
Darley Playing Field Association (DPFA)	28/06/2019	1755	Funding to install ventilation to the Sports Pavilion, shop and cafe.	2019-1
Christ Church Community Centre	28/06/2019	2500	Funding to create safe roadside parking to accommodate the overspill from the Community centre car park.	2019-1
Blubberhouses Cricket Club	28/06/2019	2056	Funding to purchase and install safety flooring to the children's play area at the cricket club, and viewing benches for parents.	2019-1
Birstwith Horticultural Society	28/06/2019	2499	Funding to purchase chairs, gazebo and a refrigerator for use at the annual village show. New equipment will then be used throughout the year by local groups and residents.	2019-1

Dancing for Well Being	28/06/2019	2500	Funding for costs venue and assistant leader for dancing group aimed at people aged 70+.	2019-1
Darley Memorial Hall	28/06/2019	1000	Kitchen equipment for catering to aid the volunteers in catering for events, and provide good experiences for visitors at events. A new CCTV security system to ensure the protection of hall and contents.	2019-1
Haverah Park with Beckwithshaw Parish Council	28/06/2019	2500	Funding to install traffic calming signs to reduce speeding.	2019-1
Fewston with Blubberhouses Churches	28/06/2019	2500	Funding to update heating system, kitchen, disabled access and accessible toilet.	2019-1
Hampsthwaite Gardening Club	02/05/2019	390	Funding to cover the total cost of coach hire for a trip to Stillingfleet Lodge to view the gardens, followed by supper at the Wetherby Whaler on the return trip. Many members are elderly.	Micro grant
Nidderdale Plus Partnership	02/05/2019	500	Funding to purchase display furniture to showcase Nidderdale themed merchandise to tourists (£200) with the remaining £300 being used for start-up stock/seed money. To make the group more self-sustaining.	Micro grant
Hampsthwaite Feast	16/07/2019	500	Funding to buy an outdoor PA system to support good information dissemination and, if necessary, provide clear emergency announcements, at public events.	Micro grant
Hampsthwaite Women's Institute	06/08/2019	345	Funding to cover the coach hire cost of the annual Women's Institute day trip.	Micro grant
Hampsthwaite Wednesday Group	29/10/2019	500	Christmas dinner for 50 members; many members find it hard to leave home alone.	Micro grant
Summerbridge and Dacre Silver Band	29/10/2019	500	Funding to purchase a second-hand baritone horn from a retired band member. The group do not have a baritone and they are expensive when new. Anyone can be involved having to make a large financial outlay.	Micro grant
Hampsthwaite Memorial Hall	14/01/2020	500	Funding to cover venue hire cost and dance tutor cost for the 2020 May Bank Holiday village street party event to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of V.E. Day 1945. The event is free and the 1940's Dance Party is aimed at our older residents.	Micro grant
Total		20545		
Micro grants (7 awards)		3235		
Main Fund (8 awards)		17310		