

Blooming and colourful use of wind farm funding

- **£2,500 awarded to enhance floral displays in two villages**
- **£2,500 to upgrade village tennis club**

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Two Perthshire villages are a mass of colour this summer thanks to an award of £2,500 from innogy's Lochelbank Wind Farm community benefit fund.

This is the second award of £2,500 from the fund that has enabled the Glenfarg and Duncricvie in Bloom group to enhance the appearance of the villages for the benefit of residents and tourists alike.

The £2,500 has been used to create different floral displays in each community. Glenfarg now has new colourful hanging baskets and extra window boxes on the school railings, whilst in Duncricvie they are enjoying new barrel-shaped planters that also contain a water reservoir to reduce the amount of time volunteers spend watering the plants.

Irene Findlay, Treasurer of the Glenfarg and Duncricvie in Bloom group said: "We are delighted to receive a second grant from the Lochelbank community fund. Glenfarg and Duncricvie are two small communities and this funding has enabled us to create a colourful and inviting environment for residents and for people passing through."

In addition, Glenfarg Tennis Club also received a cash boost of £2,500 from the renewable energy scheme's community fund. Tennis enthusiasts in the village will now benefit from the refurbishment of the Astroturf on Courts 2 and 3.

Katy Woodington, innogy's Community Investment Manager said: "Funding a variety of projects, particularly those that bring a brighter summer and that enable residents to enjoy their surroundings is, for innogy, an inspiring use of our renewables' project community funding."

Decisions on how the fund is spent are made by a panel of local representatives, drawn from the communities of Earn and Glenfarg. A grant of up to £2,500 can be applied for particularly where "significant and wider community benefit" can be demonstrated.

Foundation Scotland was appointed by innogy to administer the Lochelbank Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund in 2011. The next deadline for applications to innogy's Lochelbank Community Fund is 12 September 2018.

For further information on how to apply to the fund and an application form visit:
<https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/lochelbank/>

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