

Supporting community projects across the Island

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Community projects across the Island are benefiting from thousands of pounds of grant funding thanks to the Isle of Wight Foundation – a charitable trust established in 2014 by the partners in Island Roads.

To date just under a quarter of a million pounds has been given to projects tackling social exclusion on the Island. Projects which enable people to gain qualifications and training to help them get jobs, or which bring communities together by helping make people more mobile or providing facilities or other resources that encourage social inclusion. You can read more about the projects and their achievements on our website:

www.islandroads.com/137-iw-foundation.html

This year a further nine projects have benefited:



Ability Dogs for Young People

Awarded funding to help transform their training centre into an environment that is fully accessible for the disabled young people coming to classes, as they prepare to work with their new ability dogs.



Shanklin Football Club

Awarded funding to provide training and qualification in FA Level 1 and First Aid for Sports to increase opportunities for the youth in the Shanklin and South East Wight area.



Storeroom2010

Awarded funding to further improve their training programme and introduce certified training in Horticulture to help increase the employability of unemployed younger people and those who are long-term unemployed.



IOW Island Games

Awarded funding to provide match funded grants to talented young sports people living in poor and/or deprived social situations to enable them to take part in the Gotland 2017 NatWest Island Games.



The Links Trust – Betty's Bus

Awarded funding to provide a new wheelchair accessible minibus to enable the Links Trust to provide their services to those who are wheelchair reliant/wheelchair bound. The Links Trust help provide days out for those people aged 50+ years who do not have the physical ability to leave home without help, helping them to meet others and integrate with their local community.



Blue Sky Arts - The Growing Together Project

Awarded funding to develop and alter their premises to make their land management programme for young people with learning disabilities, fully inclusive and accessible to all.



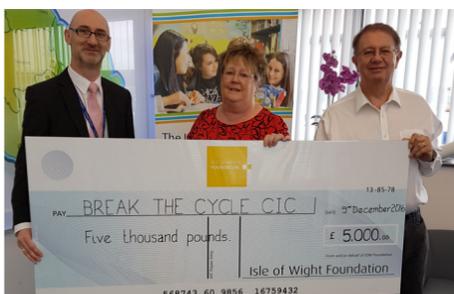
YMCA Young Carers My Time Project

Awarded funding to support young carers under the age of 18 with personal grants to support their individual educational, social and wellbeing needs.



Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust - Woodland Apprentice Scheme

Awarded funding to help support the recruitment of three apprentices over a four-year period, aged between 18-24 years, to learn new skills and gain experience in environmental conservation to prepare them for future employment in this sector. connect, learn and exchange information.



Break the Cycle – Mind the Gap

Awarded funding to assist all survivors of homelessness, and those that are currently homeless, to ensure that they get the help and support they need to build confidence and self-esteem to enable them to move forward with their lives

Our next round of grant funding is open for applications from 3 February 2017 until 5 May 2017. Funding awards will be made by the end of December 2017. Could you benefit this time? Visit our website now for more details.