



# Triton Knoll Offshore Wind Farm Construction Community Fund

**Final Report 2020** 



"The Trustees and staff at the Lincolnshire Community Foundation (LCF) greatly appreciate the opportunity to deliver the Triton Knoll Offshore Wind Farm Construction Community Fund. Most importantly, we relish the chance to further support local not-forprofit groups, operating for the benefit of people living in Lincolnshire, access grant

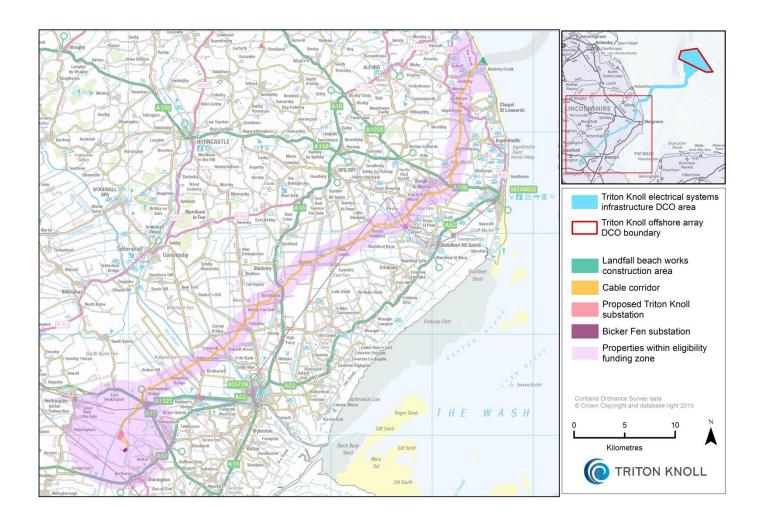
funding that wouldn't be available to them via any other means or channels.

The funds have made, and will continue to make, a tremendous difference to some of the County's most isolated communities."

- Sue Fortune, CEO, Lincolnshire Community Foundation

## **The Aims & Objectives**

The objective of the Triton Knoll Offshore Wind Farm Construction Community Fund is to support projects that improve the lives of people living in communities located within 3km of the landfall location near Anderby Creek, 5km of the onshore substation location near Bicker Fen and 1km of the onshore cable route:



The total fund was worth £500,000 and the aim was to distribute £250,000.00 per year, over the course of two years (2018-2020).

## **About Lincolnshire Community Foundation**

Lincolnshire Community Foundation has been operating for 18 years and has vast experience of bringing together people from the local community, training them and facilitating a robust, fair decision-making process to ensure grant funds go to those groups that make a big difference to local residents, whether it be a pre-school, a bowls club, one-off community event or improving local amenities. All applicants have been offered support and guidance throughout the application process and kept informed about next steps. Where potential applicants weren't eligible to apply, we've signposted to other funding opportunities.

As shown in our report below, we have awarded the full £500,000.00 available.

#### **Funding Allocation**

**Demand has been high and each round has been oversubscribed.** Through an open and transparent process, the decision making panel, made up of local volunteers, has reached sound, rational funding recommendations, welcomed (and ratified) by LCF's Board of Trustees.

## The Triton Knoll Offshore Wind Farm Community Fund offered:



Applications were received from a wide range of community organisations from bowls clubs to villages halls, all with the aim of serving and improving the communities in the outlined Triton Knoll Community Wind Farm Fund area; enhancing community cohesion and spirit and making a positive impact on the quality of life for the residents that live along the catchment area of the fund.

LCF has monitored the progress of the organisations who have received an award, and is delighted with the real difference to communities the funding has facilitated in many cases.

## **Achievements to Date Include:**

**57** Projects Supported

Grants under £10,000: 36

18 Projects Rejected

Grants over £10,000: 21

£278,227.83 awarded to organisations promoting community spirit & encouraging community activity

£55,302.97 awarded to organisations working to enhance the quality of life for local people

£155,472.94 awarded to organisations contributing to vibrant, healthy & successful communities

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Sports
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**Improving Donington's Environment for All, Donington** 

2 Awards: November 2018 - £5,940, June 2019 - £15,000

I.D.E.A. has been awarded over £20,000 over the course of the two years for the repair, maintenance and revitalisation of Matthew Flinders Park in Donington.

Now a true community asset, the park is used regularly by over 300 children, from Donington and nearby villages. Using the grant awarded by the Triton Knoll Wind Farm Community Fund, I.D.E.A. have been able to repair the surface of the playground area and install new locks, ensuring that dogs are kept out of the playing area, thus providing children with a safe and stimulating environment in which to play. As well as children, adults from the local area enjoy having access to outdoor space that remains safe and in use all year round.



## **Hogsthorpe Memorial Recreation & Playing Field Association**

Award: November 2018 - £19,755.00

# To help with the rejuvenation of the children's playpark/relaying of playpark surface and installation of CCTV cameras and equipment.

Children have been able to use the playpark and equipment safely and it has been very popular, especially during the Summer of 2019. There has been positive feedback from members of the local community and families from the wider area e.g. Mumby and Chapel St Leonards. The applicant has held a fundraiser Summer Fete on the grounds and the community is beginning to take pride in this valuable asset. CCTV identified some low level vandalism and there is now an awareness that the park and playing field are being observed, deterring vandals. The surface is hardwearing and will last for many years to come.

## **Our Finances**

## All grant awarded from the fund:

Name of Applicant	Project description	<b>Awarded</b> £
Improving Donington's Environment for All (IDEA)	Repair safety surface in play area and install locking system	5,940.00
LIVES	Training and providing Community First Responders with equipment including defibrillators	15,000.00
Anderby Village Hall	Replacing tables and storage	2,081.22
Hogsthorpe Parish Council	Heritage project	4,310.00
Swineshead Village Hall	Contribution to new roof	10,000.00
Great Hale Newsletter	Production costs of village newsletter	1,200.00
Hogsthorpe Memorial Recreation & PFA	Replacement of play surface at playing field	19,755.00
Anderby Rocks	Community music event	6,596.49
Brothertoft Village Hall	Replacement of table and car park resurfacing	10,000.00
7 <sup>th</sup> Boston (Swineshead) Scout Group	New Equipment and box trailer	6,317.95
PCC of St Mary's at Swineshead	Refurbishment of village hall (windows, car park, heating etc)	30,000.00
Swineshead Bowls Club	Storage container for equipment	3,300.00
Bicker Village Hall	Link to sewage system, improvements to facilities	30,000.00
Flinders Founders, Donington	Multi use games area	12,788.40
Northlands Village Hall	New toilet facilities for the disabled and changing facilities for babies	9,974.00
Anderby Parish Council	Lay-by construction and speed signs	6,876.00
Sibsey Lancaster Memorial Trust	Heritage project for children and young people	4,071.00
National Coastwatch Inst	Replacement of old equipment including a high power telescope, lap tops and hand held radios	2,985.98
Thorpe St Peter Parish Council	2 x public access defibrillators	3,231.20
Donington Summer Fest	Equipment and resources for village event	3,443.61
Helpringham Memorial Hall	Repair and refurbishment of parquet floor	5,489.58
St Swithuns PCC, Bicker	Repairs to footpath used by the community	10,830.00
Huttoft Village Hall	New car park	5,000.00
Swineshead Bowling Club	Essential repairs to club house	15,000.00
Swineshead Silver Band	Replacement of musical instruments	10,000.00

Burgh Community Complex	Installation of energy efficient lighting	11,270.54
Great Hale Parish Council	Replacement of outdoor play equipment	17,000.00
6 <sup>th</sup> Boston Scout Group	Camping equipment and resources	9,877.37
Bicker Village Hall	To make safe boundary wall and tables & chairs	11,160.00
Stickney Bowls Club	Renew felt roof and boards around the bowling green	1,998.50
Bicker Bowls Club	New scarifier	2,050.00
Langriville Parish Council	Tables and chairs for village hall	3,181.82
Stickney Community Hall	Car Park resurfacing	9,344.00
Swineshead Parish Council	Defibrillator	1,000.00
Sunshine Children's Centre	Outdoor play equipment	7,788.26
Donington Parish Council	Replacement of slabs at the village market place	7,000.00
IDEA, Donington	Maintenance/improvements of Flinders Park area	15,000.00
Castle Bowmen Archery Club	New equipment and resources	5,000.00
Firsby Group Parish Council	Traffic calming system	4,631.43
Mumby Parish Council	Traffic calming system	6,626.98
Bicker Parish Council	Toddler play equipment	23,802.48
Amber Hill Parish Council	Village noticeboard	1,316.16
St Swithins PCC	Pollarding of trees and tree management	10,000.00
Huttoft Village Hall	Kitchen refurbishment	3,000.00
Burgh Bowls Club	Facilities improvement	6,796.00
Ruby Hunt Trust	Contribution towards purchase of a community building that hosts a variety of activities including luncheon club, knitting group, walking group, carer and toddler, voluntary car scheme, quizzes etc	30,000.00
Hale Magna Village Hall	Solar panels and bar shutters	4,963.20
Eastville, Midville & New Leake Playing Field Committee	New playground equipment	3,374.40
Burgh le Marsh Town Council	Play equipment	10,000.00
Heckington Singers	Replacement piano	2,452.74
Swineshead Parish Council	Wetpour for play equipment	10,000.00
Hogsthorpe Village Hall	Hall refurbishment (carpets, blinds etc)	5,047.39
Donington Parish Council	Children's play equipment	26,160.00
Bicker Bowls Club	Access for people with disabilities	5,100.00
Swineshead Silver Band	New instruments	4,372.14
Swineshead Bowls Club New fencing		6,210.00

## **Expenses:**

	Total - £
Decision making panel expenses/plaques	286.10

Some projects have unfortunately been delayed as a result of COVID 19 but many other projects have progress and communities are already experiencing the benefits grant funding has brought:

Organisation	Award	Outcomes/feedback
	<u>£</u>	ovember 2018
Swineshead Bowling Club	£3,300.00	To purchase a shipping container to securely house the equipment required to maintain the lawn of the bowling green: The introduction of the shipping container has allowed the members of the club to safely and securely house new equipment, such as a ride-on mower, onsite. The club house facilities have also improved as various items are now able to be stored in the new shipping container, increasing the space available for club members and visiting teams to convene during and after games. The club has 34 members who can make use of this provision, and welcomes in excess of 300 visiting club's members into their club house during the bowling season.
I. D. E. A. Donington	£5,940.00	To repair the safety surface and replace broken safety locks on the two gates of the children's play area in Flinders Park: All the children from the local primary school use the park regularly, meaning over 300 children and adults have benefitted from a more secure park, as well as the children in the neighbouring villages of Quadring and Bicker. The life of the play area itself has been prolonged following the repair of the surfaces, and the safety issue that the wearing of it had caused has been rectified. The installation of new locks prevents dogs from entering the play area, ensuring the safety of the children who use it.

Swineshead Village Hall	£10,000.00	To purchase and fit a roofing oversheet: The roof of the village hall was leaking; and being asbestos created a lot of condensation. The addition of the oversheeting to the roof has provided much needed insulation and stopped condensation build up. The hall is now able to retain heat better, and therefore the cost of heating the hall has significantly reduced and it is a more comfortable venue to use. Many village groups and clubs have benefitted from this improvement; including Scouts, Slimming World and dance groups. The hall is also available to hire for parties and private events now, helping to increase income for the hall. The improvements made to the roof of the hall ensures that a safe, secure premises will be available for the people of Swineshead for generations to come.
Swineshead Church Hall	£30,000.00	To make improvements (inside and our) to the Church Hall, and prevent the yard wall from collapsing: All necessary work has been completed with the receipt of the grant. A new boiler has been fitted, along with double glazing to the windows and a new, safe, yard area. The Church Hall is now a safe, warm place which can serve the community of Swineshead for a variety of occasions; from Christenings to Youth Clubs, and festivities to Brownies. The Church Hall estimates that around 10,000 people a year pass through the doors, and coffee mornings, church festivals and clubs are held regularly all year round. The new yard area has enabled new groups to make use of the hall, too. Most of the users of the hall live in the Swineshead area, and a new Writing Club is set to attract attendees from Boston, Fishtoft and Donington. The Church Hall are incredibly grateful to the foundation for their help and guidance.

Bicker Village Hall, Bicker	£30,000.00	Improving the services offered by the Village Hall for residents of Bicker and its surrounding hamlets: Feedback from residents of the village of Bicker had expressed the importance of having an affordable, accessible resource within the village that is equipped to hold a range of public and private events. Improvements to the hall made with the grant have allowed for disabled access to the Bowling Green to be installed, along with ramp access between buildings. To improve security, new
		fencing and lighting has been installed in the car pork and entrance areas, to ensure the safety of users coming to and leaving the hall. The hall has also been connected to the mains sewerage, protecting the hall from septic tank failure and flooding. The work completed with the grant is part of a long-term future-proofing plan for the hall, to ensure that it remains an accessible, welcoming resource for Bicker and the surrounding hamlets.
Northlands Village Hall, Sibsey	£9,974.00	To refurbish the toilets and store room of Northlands Village Hall: Through refurbishing the toilets of the hall, all users are now able to access up-to-date facilities; such as improved access for users with disabilities, children and elderly people. The hall is used by around 150 people each week; mostly based in and around Sibsey. Although, the hall hosts a number of groups (i.e. toddler mornings, Scouts) which
		attract users from further afield. The grant allowed the hall to provide a proper baby changing facility, along with safe disabled access and toilet facilities. A member of the Tai Chi group is now able to access full length sessions for the first time due to this improvement.

Flinders Founders, Donington	£12,788.40	To buy and install an end goal area with suitable hard surfacing in Flinders Founders Teen Park: The installation of the goal end has provided a suitable area, and great asset, to the Teen Park. It is visible to all passers by, and has received a great deal of compliments from the community. It is used daily by children before and after school, and is always busy in the evenings and weekends with older children and teenagers who need an extra area of activity. The goal end area has encouraged more girls to use the Teen Park for shooting practice, too. There are around 100 regular users of the Teen Park, many of whom have begun using the park differently (for ball games) as well as usual skating/biking. The park is a huge source of pride for the young people of Donington – during the installation of the goal end, local boys had pointed out a trip hazard caused by uneven surfaces. With their help, and within 2 days, the surfaces
		were levelled and the installation went ahead.  July 2020
Great Hale Parish Council	17,000.00	To improve play opportunities for children by refurbishing the play park, first installed in 2001: Local fundraising efforts ensured that over 34% of the cost of the refurbishment was raised by the community. This has incentivised the community to look after and maintain the park, and local feedback of the park itself has been extremely positive. Ongoing fundraising continues, and over 850 people have directly or indirectly benefitted from the park.

# Donington Parish Council

£7,000.00

Contribution to the costs of improving the Market Place at Donington and making it a safer place to walk. The surface, which is covered in concrete slabs was dangerous due to the base beneath the slabs being weak and uneven which allowed the slabs to wobble and lift. The Parish Council felt it



was dangerous and someone may be hurt badly if they fell. When it is resurfaced (planned July 2020) it will create a smooth and fresh look and planters and the

blue street furniture give colour and contrast the will portray a proud, caring and welcoming village, especially for visitors. Shop owners will directly benefit hopefully with a much needed increase in footfall and a safe space will be created for all. The area has become somewhere people can sit and relax, during shopping trips and appointments. The coffee shop can put their tables and chairs outside on a level surface, where people can sit and there be no fear of tripping. Wheelchair and mobility scooter users have a better surface beneath them.

## The future

The Lincolnshire Community Foundation is looking forward to working with Triton Knoll Offshore Wind Farm to deliver the annual fund which will be worth £40,000 per year to the areas immediately neighbouring the onshore and above ground infrastructure.

The fund will be open for applications when the offshore wind farm commences generation which we currently expect to take place during 2021.