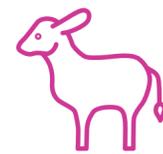


# SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITIES

At Lightsource bp we prioritise working with communities locally. Each solar farm could be in place for up to 30 years, and we want to build and maintain a relationship as long-term neighbours. We do this in a few ways:



Information events



Creating biodiversity plans to boost local wildlife



Hiring and training staff locally



Open days and guided tours of our operational solar farms



Providing community benefit funds where appropriate and feasible



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## More about community benefit funds

Where community benefit funds are offered, recipients typically receive either a single lump sum, or yearly payments. Recipients have included established community groups or councils, community centres and wildlife groups.

Since we started building solar farms in 2010, we've paid over £1,899,000 in total in benefit funds to communities across the UK. We like to keep in touch with the recipients to see how our benefit funds have been used to help and support the communities neighbouring our solar farms

## Here are just some of the ways our benefit funds have been used:



### **Bolsovermoor Quarry Solar Farm, Old Bolsover Town Council, UK**

- Community defibrillator in a disused phonebox
- New play equipment and area in the local park
- A Christmas tree provided to the village each year, decorated by the local community

### **Fields Farm Solar Farm, Tushingham, Macefen & Bradley Parish Meeting, UK**

- New "daily mile" running track installed at the local school
- Improved access to local church
- Funding 'Operation Shield', for every home in the Parish to have a security marking kit for their property to deter theft

### **Parsonage Wood Solar Farm, Pyworthy Parish Council, UK**

- Maintenance, new play equipment and safety fencing for the local park
- Repairs to heating and electrics in the local church
- Major refurbishments to the Village Hall

### **Shaftesbury Solar Farm, Donhead St Mary Parish Council, UK**

- New solar panels for the local school
- A defibrillator installed in the community
- Speed indicator device installed
- Trees planted to commemorate the centenary of the end of the First World War
- Improvements to the local playground

### **Trevemper Solar Farm, Cubert Parish Council, UK**

- New solar panels, ceiling and heating system for the Village Hall
- Roof repairs at the local church and Memorial Hall
- Materials and memory aids for the local Memory Café
- Repairs and sea defences for the local Surf Life Saving Clubs
- Two new defibrillators for the community
- Equipment for the Silver Surfer internet club
- Provision of a sustainable water supply for the allotment society

### **Upper Clayhill Solar Farm, Barcombe Parish Council, UK**

- Improvements to local cricket facilities
- Equipment for the local horticultural club
- Funding for a toddler group