

2019/20 Projects Funded

Lydd Community Hall Committee

£5,000 was awarded to the group at the October 2019 panel to support the cost of general repairs and entrance improvements for the hall. Most of the funding enabled the group to improve the internal flooring of the main hall, which has benefited all hirers of the venue, especially the local fitness groups who have found the improved flooring reduces accidents while individuals take part in sessions.

The Marsh Harrier

£500 was awarded to The Marsh Harrier at the March 2020 panel, towards the cost of a new laptop to help production of the local newspaper. The new laptop has made it easier for those on the paper to collate and create the newspaper to be printed and sent out locally. The newspaper has really benefitted the community with many of the local elderly residents finding it a great connection to the local community.

1st Lydd Scouts and Guides

£2,458 was awarded to the group at the March 2020 panel towards the improvements of the outside area for the use of the scouts. The funding supported the purchase of trees. This area has enabled the 61 children and young people who are a part of the scouts

and guides access to more outdoor

space, giving them a place to explore nature in their group sessions.

All Saints Church, Lydd

£1,500 was awarded to the Church at the March 2020 panel, this award supported the cost of the organ overhaul. This has allowed the Church to improve the organ for years to come, they are planning to run an inaugural concert but as the pandemic this has been put on hold until a later date.

Overview of Funding Since October 2017

October 2017: Ivychurch Amenities Association - £2,500 / Kent and Medway Charity Team - £5,000 / The Marsh Harrier - £1,500 / Art In Romney Marsh Education - £3,500

March 2018: New Romney & District Sea Cadets - £1,500 / 1st New Romney Scout Group - £700 / Lydd Community Hall Committee - £1,888 / Lydd Methodist Church - £2,500 / Brookland Cricket Club - £1,500 / Lydd Club Day Committee - £2,500 / John Armitage Memorial Trust - £5,000 / Romney Marsh Day Centre - £2,500 / Romney Resource 2000 Limited (RR2K) - £2,000

October 2018: St Mary in the Marsh - £2,000 / Screen South - £2,400 / Kent Wildlife Trust - £4,680 / Academy FM Folkestone - £3,000 / Kent and Medway Charity Team - £5,000

March 2019: Lydd Youth Set - £4,907 / Caring All Together on Romney Marsh - £2,893 / Art in Romney Marsh - £3,000 / John Armitage Memorial Trust - £4,000 / Sabotage Theatre CIC - £3,000

October 2019: Strange Cargo Arts Company - £3,000 / Folkestone Rainbow Centre - £5,000 / Lydd Community Hall Committee - £5,000 / Romney Resource 2000 Limited (RR2K) - £3,000 / Romney Marsh Day Centre - £3,794 / IMOS Foundation - £500

March 2020: The Marsh Harrier - £500 / Art in Romney Marsh - £2,500 / 1st Lydd Scouts and Guide - £2,458 / Kent and Medway Charity Team - £1,500 / Kent Wildlife Trust - £2,000 / Lydd Twinning Association - £2,000 / Brookland Village Hall Committee - £2,800 / All Saints Church Lydd - £1,500 / Brookland Cricket Club - £1,600 / RNLI Littlestone on Sea - £5,000

October 2020: Shoreline FM radio station - £1,000 / parkrun Romney Marsh - £2,000 / Romney Resource 2000 Limited (RR2K) - £4,900 / Lydd Community Hall Committee - £2,850 / Romney Marsh Day Centre - £4,680 / Brookland Village Hall Committee - £2,370

Since October 2017

★ **£127,420** given in grants

🏠 **45 projects** supported

👥 **77,872** beneficiaries

💰 **£2,831.55** average grant



Little Cheyne Court Wind Farm Community Fund Impact 2019/20



Folkestone Rainbow Centre

The grant - £5,000 was awarded to the organisation at the October 2019 panel to support the costs of Shepway Foodbank across the Marsh.

The impact - Across the funded period the organisation was able to use the funding to support the costs of food parcels, delivery costs as well as volunteer and staff costs to run the foodbank. The service supported 1,645 beneficiaries to be able to receive food parcels with 32 volunteers helping to make sure all these beneficiaries had access to food.



Due to the coronavirus pandemic the final five months of the project saw a 15% increase in need across the Marsh, with the organisation gaining more volunteers in the area to accommodate supporting this need. It has allowed beneficiaries to have nutritious food which has allowed them to have balanced diet, helping to promote better health and overall wellbeing.

Across the year, the service became a lifeline for many beneficiaries with those who were self-isolating being able to access food and a friendly face, of which for many was their only contact with the outside world through the first lockdown.

Art in Romney Marsh

The grant - £2,500 was awarded to the organisation at the March 2020 panel towards the Marsh Enterprises project.

The impact - The funding supported the costs of staff and materials for the project. Sessions were run digitally on a weekly basis and supported 20 beneficiaries across the sessions.

Adhering to the lockdown restrictions the group helped to support the local elderly and children, to take part in sessions by giving them technology support to get them online for zoom calls, but also supplied them with the materials in packs to be able to create artwork in sessions. The sessions have allowed groups in social isolation to have connections with the outside world, while taking part in relaxing and creative activities.



For many that took part the biggest benefit that came out of sessions was the skills on technology. Many found their confidence in their own skills and abilities improved, with many finding technology and apps less daunting now from volunteer and sessional support.

Romney Resource 2000 Limited

The grant - £3,000 was awarded to the group at the October 2019 panel to support the Plant, Cook, Eat, Relax project.

The impact - Funding support sessional staff, materials and a bench to be purchased for the project. Sessions ran on a weekly basis after-school and supported 26 children and young people.

Romney Resource 2000 used the funding to run extracurricular activities for their students on the Study programme, this included the introduction of a gardening club with an outside space being created for the young people to grow vegetables and plants, A cookery club and an Art club.

All young people involved in the sessions were able to expand their knowledge and gain new skills, with many being able to feel more confident in their own abilities.



Sessions also allowed the young people to take part in more social activities promoting the reduction of social isolation. Through the first lockdown the session delivery changed with most work being online, but this enabled more to attend and increased the learning experiences for the young people.

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Brookland Cricket Club

£1,600 was awarded at the March 2020 panel to support the cost of replacing the boiler. By replacing the boiler, the group have been able to improve the cricket club venue for future use to support their teams and visitors the venue.

RNLI Littlestone

£5,000 was awarded to the group at the March 2020 panel to support the station revamp. This has allowed the group to cover many of their core running costs and improvement needs for the year for them to be able to welcome visitors and support the community, at this stage 47 people have benefited from the support but numbers will increase overtime due to ongoing benefits of the revamp.



Romney Marsh Day Centre

£3,794 was awarded to the group at the October 2019 panel to support the purchase of new chairs and kitchen equipment/crockery for the centre. The new items have been a great benefit to the centre, allowing those who attend a comfortable place to sit and have their lunch, while assisting the kitchen staff to prepare the meals.

IMOS Foundation

£500 was awarded to the group at the October 2019 panel to support the Hope All Saints project, which enabled the group to support the upkeep of All Saints Church.