



ANNUAL REPORT
2018-2019

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WELCOME TO THE 7TH WINDFALL ANNUAL REPORT!

The Windfall Fund is the community benefit fund set up from the proceeds of the wind farm on Oswaldtwistle Moor. It is a partnership between EnergieKontor, the wind farm developer and The PROSPECTS Foundation. There are currently 12 turbines and the Fund is awarded to community groups for environmental projects in Hyndburn. The wind farm was commissioned in October 2012 and the Windfall Fund started in April 2013.



Whittling with Adventure Hyndburn

There are 3 funding strands available – Mini, Small and Large:

Mini Grants are for projects up to £250 and are offered to groups to help out with small projects that don't cost very much but which require a helping hand to get off the ground.

Small Grants range from £250 to £2,000 and are offered for small-scale projects. These projects can be funded at 100% but a contribution from another source is always welcome and shows commitment from the local group.

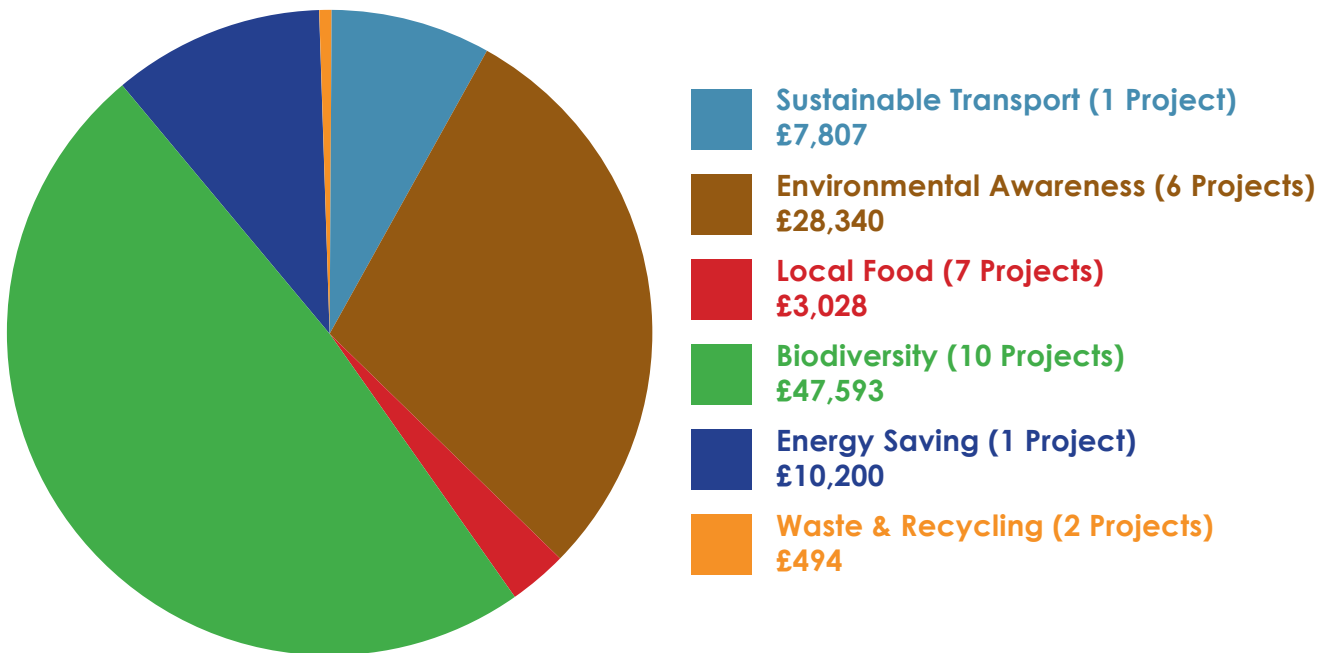
Large Grants are those which require funding of more than £2,000. These projects always require some match funding and should be discussed with the Windfall Fund Co-ordinator before an application is put together.

Groups can now apply for a Mini grant directly via an online form available on our new website **www.prospectsfoundation.org.uk**

Small and Large application forms can now be uploaded and submitted along with supporting documentation through the website too.

Funding For Windfall Projects 2018/2019

Pie Chart Showing the Funding for Windfall Projects by Sustainability Theme 2018-2019.



- In 2018/2019 the Windfall Fund has approved £97,462 to support 27 projects (10 projects and almost £35,000 more than last year).
- 13 Mini grants have been awarded for projects up to £250
- 4 Small projects were supported with grants up to the value of £2,000
- 10 Large projects received funding, with grants over £2,000, ranging in value from £4,460 to £15,982
- Projects were funded under all 6 of our Sustainability Themes
- In total 20 different groups received funding during 2018/2019
- Total value of projects in 2018-2019 £336,600



All Saints Church Gardening Group in Clayton

List of Projects Funded

BIODIVERSITY

Adventure Hyndburn

£250

- To carry out a condition survey of the woodland at The Park Child & Family Centre to prioritise future management of the woodland for wildlife and the safety of those who use it.

Lancashire Wildlife Trust

£7,817

- To develop a butterfly walk and carry out access improvements at Foxhill Bank Local Nature Reserve in Oswaldtwistle.

The PROSPECTS Foundation

£15,313

- To run a schools and community conservation action programme across Hyndburn working with groups and schools to improve the local environment.

Hyndburn Butterfly Project

£1,717

- To create butterfly-friendly glades and rides at Whinney Hill woodland and create more butterfly-friendly areas in Milnshaw Park in Accrington.

All Saints Church Clayton-le-Moors

£250

- To enable the Church Gardening Club, which particularly supports people with dementia and social isolation, to plant trees and snowdrops in the Churchyard to enhance biodiversity.

Friends of Arden Hall and the Coppice

£4,747

- Towards improving the access to the northern entrance to the newly designated Peel Park & The Coppice Local Nature Reserve.

Hyndburn Arts Ltd

£1,800

- To establish four pollinator friendly planters on Windsor Road in Knuzden and at the bottom of Rhyddings Street in Oswaldtwistle.

The PROSPECTS Foundation

£10,000

- Towards a new Hyndburn woodlands project, funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund, to assess the state of the woodland estate in Hyndburn and to manage eight Lancashire County Council owned woodland sites in the Borough.

Rishton PROSPECTS Panel

£225

- To create a pollinator friendly cottage border bed next to the canal in Rishton.

The PROSPECTS Foundation

£5,474

- Towards the Rewilding project to encourage more people to help look after local green spaces in Hyndburn.

Wildflower Meadow in Milnshaw Park



Wildflower Planting at Foxhill Bank Local Nature Reserve, Oswaldtwistle



Pollinator Planter in Oswaldtwistle



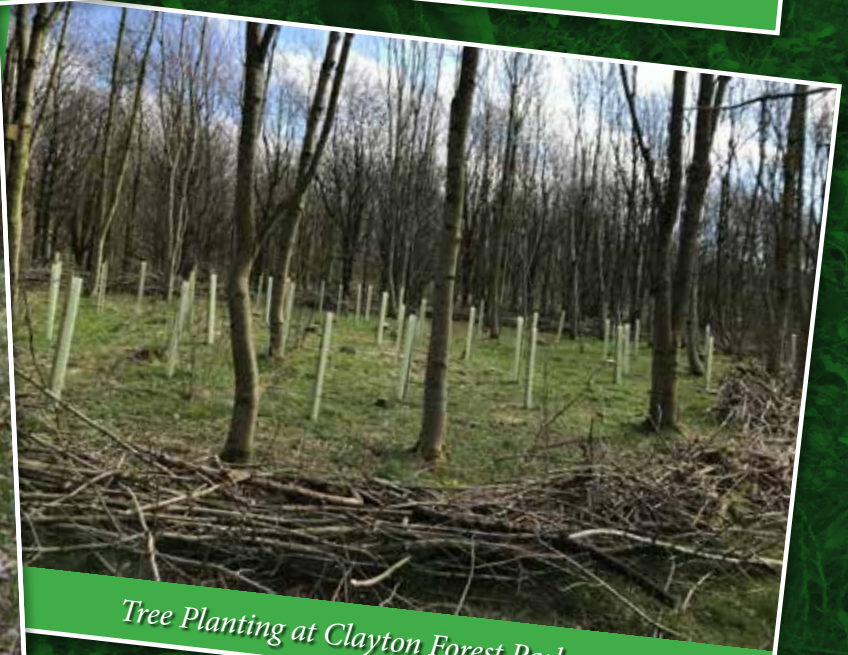
Pollinator Planting with Rishton PROSPECTS Panel



Tree Felling at Huncoat Woods



Tree Planting at Clayton Forest Park



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ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

Adventure Hyndburn

£5,498

- To improve the woodland at The Park Child & Family Centre, purchase equipment and provide staff training for a Forest School For All programme.

1st North East Lancs BP Scout Group

£150

- For coach hire for a visit to the wind farm for the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers.

Piggy Park Community Garden Association

£2,000

- To build and install a pergola in Piggy Park, Rishton, which will be used for educational activities and will also provide shelter from the rain and sun.

The PROSPECTS Foundation

£4,460

- To run an environmental awareness project engaging local people in outdoor events and activities including the Canal Partnership volunteering project and a programme of cycling and walking.

The PROSPECTS Foundation

£15,982

- To run a programme of activities and events to build on the success of our 21st anniversary celebrations and raise our profile in the Borough.

Belthorn Academy Primary School PTFA

£250

- Towards the cost of a weather station for the school to help introduce the pupils to the issues around climate change.



Bug Hunting with Adventure Hyndburn



Canal Volunteers in Rishton



Weather Station at Belthorn Academy Primary School



*1st North East Lancs BP Scout Group
Checking Out The Size of a Wind Turbine*



Beginners Cycling at Oakhill Park



New Pergola at Piggy Park in Rishton

List of Projects Funded

LOCAL FOOD

Lancashire Women

£250

- For a replacement shed door and equipment for the gardening group at the Women's Centre in Accrington.

Belthorn Academy Primary School PTFA

£232

- For compost and veg seeds for food growing sessions with pupils.

Lancashire Wildlife Trust

£220

- Towards installing a pond and creating new raised beds at Miller Fold allotments near Bullough Park in Accrington as part of the Myplace Eco-therapy project.

Hyndburn Leisure

£250

- For equipment for the Gardening for Health project which works with community groups across the Borough, including compost, manure, gloves, trowels, seeds and plants.

Baxenden Allotments and Gardens Society

£250

- For the hire of the hall at The Hollins and the purchase of awards for the annual Society Show.

Intack Primary School PTFA

£1,576

- To purchase and construct a polytunnel in the school grounds to enhance the Forest School provision

Carers Link Lancashire

£250

- For vertical herb/flower/veg kits, compost and seeds for the new garden area at the back of the premises on Blackburn Road, Accrington.



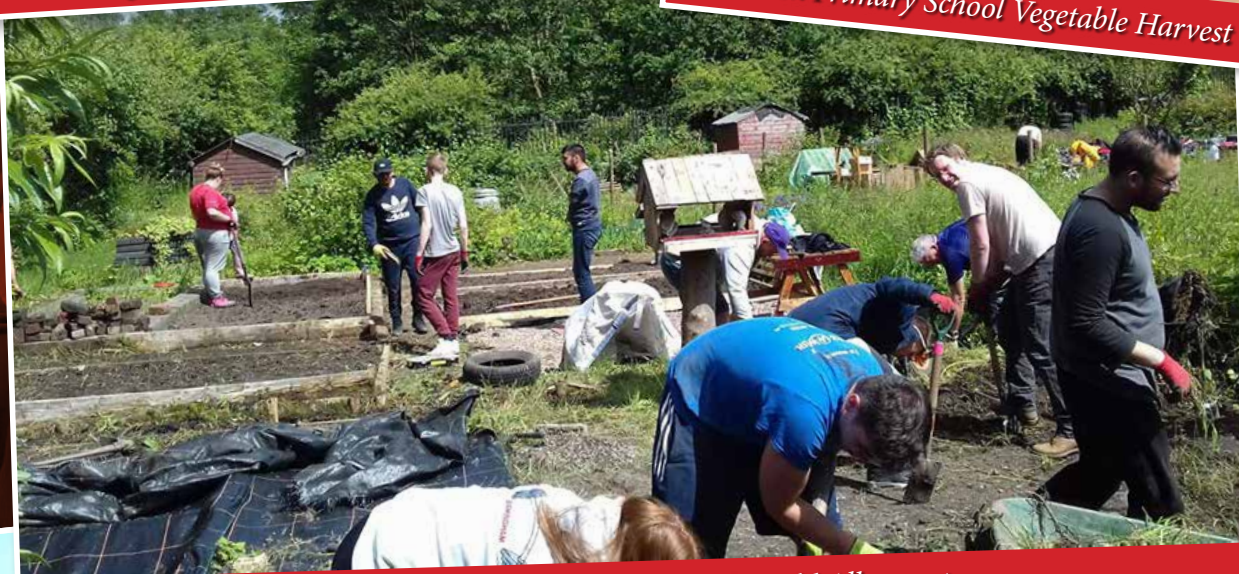
*Rishton Primary School Home-grown Herb Sachets, Produced as Part of
The PROSPECTS Foundation Rewilding Project*



Picking Rosemary at Rishton Primary School



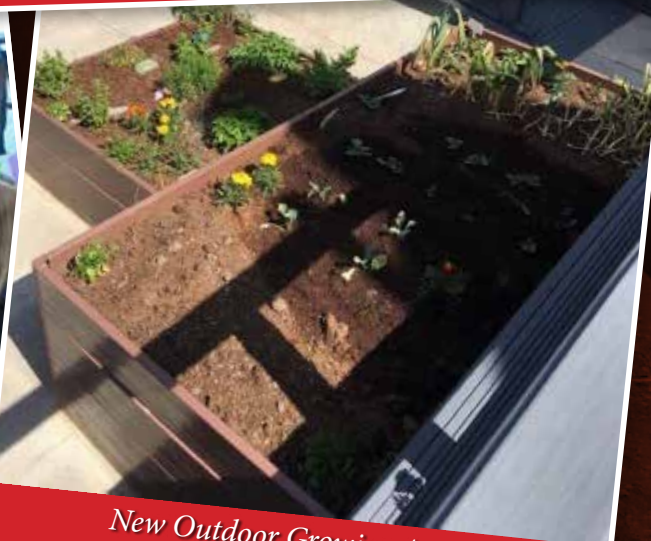
Intack Primary School Vegetable Harvest



Myplace Volunteers Working at Miller Fold Allotments



St Christopher's High School Pupils Working in their Polytunnel



New Outdoor Growing Area at Carers Link in Accrington

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WASTE AND RECYCLING

Friends of St Christopher's

£244

- For recycling bins for the outdoor areas of school.

Wrap Up Lancashire

£250

- For the purchase of 500 large heavy duty bags for delivering donated coats to various charities.

SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

Cycling Projects

£7,807

- To develop a Hyndburn Pedal Away programme offering low level accessible and predominantly off-road community cycle rides.

ENERGY SAVING

Stanhill Social Club

£10,200

- To install a new boiler and heating system in the clubhouse



Some of the Heavy Duty Bags Used for Collecting and Distributing the 9,250 Coats, Fleecees and Warm Items of Clothing Donated This Year



Pedal Away Volunteers Receiving Certificates of Achievement From the Mayor of Hyndburn



Pedal Away Cyclists

Since The Beginning...

The wind farm has been operational since November 2012 and has produced more than 527 GWh energy, which is enough to power more than 50% of homes in Hyndburn on an annual basis.

The Windfall Fund has been running since April 2013 and since then we have:

had 271 enquiries

received 160 applications

held 27 funding rounds

funded 138 projects

funded 70 different groups/organisations

awarded over £575,000 in grants

carried out 15 school/community visits to the wind farm

The total value of all the projects funded since 2013 is **£3.8m**.



1st North East Lancs BP Scout Group Enjoying their Visit to the Wind Farm



Discover Hyndburn Walking Group

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Pressing Elderberries Following a Foraging Walk