

ScottishPower Foundation

Annual Report 2019



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Welcome

Since 2013, the ScottishPower Foundation has helped to support inspiring projects benefiting many thousands of people across the UK. In 2019 alone, we were able to award funding of £1.25 million to support 25 charitable initiatives, directly helping over 51,000 people.

We kicked off 2019 with a welcome meeting for all of the charities who were successful in securing funding, providing them with an insight into what to expect over the year as well as opportunity to network with other like-minded charities.

As part of our investment announcement, I had the privilege of seeing the Clowndoctors programme being delivered by Hearts & Minds within a Special Educational Needs school in Edinburgh. It was captivating to see first-hand the joy and laughter which the Clowndoctors brought to the pupils, reaffirming the powerful impact which the Foundation has.

Continuing the Foundation's support for environmental projects, in 2019 we funded the Climate Change Champions project, run jointly by Size of Wales and the Welsh Centre for International Affairs. The project provided an opportunity for young people aged 14-18 to participate in MockCOP which is modelled on the UN's Conference of the Parties (COP) where representatives from countries across the world meet to negotiate resolutions to tackle climate change. The project has been a great success, empowering young people to debate and discuss important issues facing our society.



Funding awarded to 25 charitable initiatives

In September, the Foundation held its sixth annual Awards Ceremony to celebrate the achievements of the 25 charitable organisations we funded during the year. More than 130 guests joined in the celebrations, including representatives from all 25 charities as well as the judging panel, the Foundation's Board of Trustees and ScottishPower staff. A number of charity representatives had the opportunity to talk about the impact of their work, which really moved and inspired everyone in attendance.

None of these achievements would be possible without the team at the Foundation. I want to thank my fellow Trustees, our Company Secretary and the wider staff at ScottishPower for their continuing hard work over these past twelve months. I look forward to continuing to work with them, ensuring that the Foundation keeps growing from strength to strength.

I hope you find our report of interest and the Foundation will of course continue to support even more great projects in the coming year.

Mike Thornton, Chair

About the ScottishPower Foundation

The ScottishPower Foundation was established in 2013 by ScottishPower, which is part of the Iberdrola Group; one of the world's largest integrated utility companies and a world leader in wind energy.

ScottishPower is the first integrated energy company in the UK to generate 100% green electricity. It is committed to speeding up the transition to cleaner electric transport, improving air quality and over time, driving down bills - to deliver a better future, quicker for everyone. Its commitment to supporting communities throughout the UK is reflected in its overall contribution to the Foundation, which, as of the time of going to print, stands at over £8.5 million.

The Foundation aims to make a significant and lasting contribution to society, enhancing the lives of people living in communities throughout the UK. Funding awards, aligned to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), are made to registered charities in the following areas:

Education; Environmental protection; Citizenship & community development; Arts, culture & science; Prevention of poverty & disadvantage.

This year, the Foundation has again prioritised its work around three key themes:

- Developing future generations
- Fighting against climate change
- Supporting causes close to people's hearts

Decisions to award funding are made independently of ScottishPower by an experienced Board of Trustees who have a special interest in these themes.



APPLYING FOR FUNDING

When the application period is open, registered charities can apply via our website at **www.scottishpowerfoundation.com**



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Developing Future Generations

We hope that by targeting much of our funding at excellent progressive educational interventions, we will help to inspire and challenge the next generation to fulfil its potential, and support the search for better ways to meet our society's educational needs.

PRO JECTS SUPPORTED:



Bangor University: Bright Sparks



Community First:



Iunior Citizen Award





Powering Forward 2019-2020









Takeover Festival





Justice Programme

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Youth Focus North West: POSH Pioneers of Sustainable Hope

NATIONAL DEAF CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: Roadshow: Mobile classroom for deaf children and young people

The National Deaf Children's Society is dedicated to creating a world without barriers for deaf children and young people. The charity's Roadshow features an eight-tonne purple bus that transforms into a mobile classroom and tours the UK, raising deaf awareness and promoting equal opportunities. The Roadshow delivers fun and engaging workshops for deaf children and young people, their friends and families and the professionals supporting them. It helps to break down the barriers that can hold young people back.

Funding from the ScottishPower Foundation has enabled the charity to reach almost 2,000 deaf children and young people across the UK, and has facilitated over 500 workshops. Taking part in the workshops gives them a confidence boost and helps them feel more included in school life. By improving their learning environment, the Roadshow helps deaf children and young people to raise their aspirations for the future.





"It really helps people boost their confidence for the future because no matter what anyone chooses the future is yours to make!" 13 year old, Dumfries

"I wanted to say how wonderful the Roadshow Bus visit was. The kids loved visiting the bus and Henry was delighted to show them everything "Deaf" and teach some sign language. The whole school assembly was utterly brilliant. Luke captured the attention of hundreds of kids. Other teachers in his school have been adapting everything since for him to be included. So, it works!" Parent of a deaf child, Kent



PANATHLON FOUNDATION: Primary Panathlon

Panathlon Foundation is a national charity which provides sporting opportunities to over 17,500 disabled young people each year. Its values are firmly rooted in inclusion and flexibility – ensuring all disabled children can participate in sport regardless of their disability, celebrating difference and recognizing everyone's achievement. The charity work in partnership to drive expansion across the UK and to increase its impact upon disabled children.



Funding from the ScottishPower Foundation has allowed Panathlon Foundation to:

- Deliver its Primary Panathlon Programme to give young disabled children aged four to eleven from Special Schools and Special Educational Needs Units an opportunity to experience competitive sport.
- Deliver the event day programme which comprises of a series of 'mini-paralypmic' style sports such
 as parachute popcorn, polybat, precision bean bag, new age kurling, boccia blast, Messi football skills
 and table cricket.
- Hold borough, county, regional and divisional competitions with finals held in iconic and inspirational venues such as the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park's Copper Box Arena, the English Institute of Sport and the home of the Paralympics, Stoke Mandeville Stadium.

TECHNIQUEST: Schools Outreach

Techniquest is Wales' largest provider of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) enrichment activity and its mission is to work with a wide range of relevant partners to embed science in Welsh culture through interactive engagement. Funding from the ScottishPower Foundation allowed Techniquest to deliver its Schools Outreach programme, and in turn, achieve the following outcomes:

- Delivered engaging STEM education to 11,902 pupils from 58 different schools across Wales who rarely
 experience interactive, practical science lessons.
- Encouraged more girls to take up and maintain their interest in STEM subjects by delivering inclusive science workshops and shows that actively promote the vital role of women in STEM.
- Science Communicators provide tangible role models for pupils, motivating them to continue to study STEM subjects and to consider careers in technology industries.
- Over 81% of participants of the programme felt that their knowledge of STEM had increased, and 76% felt greater awareness of career pathways.





"Our children can't get involved in many of our after-school clubs because they come to school on transport, so this gives them a sense of achievement. Everybody can be involved here in Panathlon and they can feel that sense of competition and team spirit. Their achievement will be celebrated in the school to recognise their talent in a sporting capacity – a feeling they won't be used to."

Swain House Primary School

"One lad who is part of the boccia team finds school extremely difficult. He's someone that isn't always in the classroom. He doesn't engage in lessons and struggles to read or write. But after that event he was so, so proud of himself. There were photos taken afterwards with the medals and he wouldn't let go of the trophy!"

Braidwood School



"Excellent presentation to grab the interest of the children. Activities kept the children engaged throughout. A great learning experience. Thank you."

Catwg Primary

"Lovely workshop, the children really enjoyed it and it was pitched accurately at the correct age group. Thank you!" Whitchurch Primary



Fighting Against Climate Change

We want to promote a deep and lasting connection to nature and a passion to protect it. We are also proud to support talented young men and women who will be at the forefront of the next generation of experts tasked with developing new solutions to the challenge of climate change.

PROJECTS SUPPORTED:







SIZE OF WALES: Climate Change Champions

Size of Wales is a climate change charity based in Cardiff, working to mobilise Wales to help secure, sustain and restore tropical forests as part of its national response to climate change. The "size of Wales" is often used as a measure of global deforestation, so the charity is turning that negative into positive action on climate change. Its work includes education and awareness raising activities in Wales, as well as supporting overseas forest protection and restoration projects that cover an area of forest twice the size of Wales.

Funding from the Foundation has enabled the charity to grow its MockCOP and Climate Change Champions programme this year. MockCOP is an event modelled on the UN's Conference of the Parties (COP) where representatives from countries across the world meet to negotiate resolutions to tackle climate change. Groups of three students aged 14-18 years from across Wales are each given a nation to represent. They research and prepare their position, then present their allocated country's case, aiming to negotiate an agreement with the other delegations.

As a result of the Foundation's funding, 250 young people took part in MockCOP events during the year, and many more were engaged through workshops and activities in their schools and communities.

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MockCOP gave me a real chance to get my voice heard on climate change, I love to get involved in debate and I want people to understand that I will keep talking about it until something

Fatimah, Olchfa School

"I've taken part in MockCOP and it was one of the most engaging, interesting and fun speaking activities I've ever done!" Same, Bryn Celynnog School

"It was my first time speaking in an event like this but they were really kind to me. It helped me to explore what my country thought and how we need to work together to tackle climate change.

Nadine, Westbourne School

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SUSSEX WILDLIFE TRUST: The Wild Side Of The Track

The Deneway Nature Reserve runs between the back of suburban gardens and the London to Brighton railway track. A haven for foxes and home to a large badger sett, the former brownfield site is now a valuable urban environmment.

Funding from the ScottishPower Foundation has helped to improve and develop the reserve for wildlife and the local community. This includes:

- The installation of an environmentally friendly composting toilet
- Two forest school sites
- 34 guided school visits
- Over 900 students engaged in wildlife
- Five community events
- 10 conservation volunteer days
- Three wellbeing workshops to support adults with mental health needs
- Created woodland glades and spaces for wildlife
- Established partnership with two local schools for regular forest school workshops each term

The Wild Side of the Track project has provided a hub for the activities and repeat engagement with nature for all groups. This can make a huge impact allowing children to develop a strong emotional connection with a place and a desire to protect it.

"It was really nice that you let us come with you on this amazing trip. I'm not normally comfortable going to a nature reserve. But now I am and make dens and bread. I love it. It was so much fun! This is something I'm going to remember for decades. And it was free! It was the nicest thing anyone could do." **Primary School Pupil.**



students

in wildlife

Made in Corby: Connect

Supporting Causes Close to People's Hearts

We are committed to enriching the lives of people in communities throughout the UK by tackling disadvantage in society, promoting care and wellbeing, celebrating diverse cultures and strengthening citizenship.

PROJECTS SUPPORTED:

The National Autistic Society: Young People's Social Groups



Credit Philip Durrant

Credit Holly Falconer

Young Women's Trust: Work It Out

BENDRIGG TRUST: Adventure For All

Bendrigg Trust is a residential outdoor education centre working specifically with disabled and disadvantaged people.

Bendrigg opened its doors in 1978 to challenge historic perceptions of disability and bring about social change through the integration of able-bodied and disabled people in adventurous outdoor pursuits – activities previously thought to be the remit of able-bodied people only.

This year the ScottishPower Foundation has supported Bendrigg's Adventure for All – Promoting, Sharing, Inspiring project. This project has supported financially disadvantaged groups through a Sponsorship Fund, inspired more disabled people to consider outdoor adventure through the production of five inspirational films and shared knowledge of other

funding sources through a Funding Pack to tackle disadvantage head on and help visitors.

So far the inspirational films have been viewed over 15,000 times and are helping to raise awareness of the support on offer at Bendrigg. As well as inspiring more young people with disabilities to challenge perceptions of what they are able to do, these films brilliantly showcase the impact that a residential at Bendrigg can have. Together with the Funding Pack, they are proving useful in helping individuals and groups to secure their own funding to support their outdoor residential experiences.

The charity's total Sponsorship Fund has enabled 915 people to access its services who would otherwise have been unable to afford the opportunity.

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"I can't stress enough how our pupils benefit from these trips to Bendrigg – the changes can be seen sometimes immediately or over the coming months. As a group leader I know we are in the best of hands! It feels like home from home."

St John Vianney School

"We have found as a family we have been failed by so many professionals that we have not been able to trust people. Letting go and being able to do the activities as a family with your support has given us hope and to begin the healing process that has been so raw."

Eyryn Family





"I absolutely love it when the Clowndoctors come onto the Ward. I find that the Ward is a lighter happier place when they are here".

Charge Nurse

"My daughter has been in and out of hospital for most of her life, we came in today to get a tracheostomy. Through the use of silk scarves, music and song I just felt they snapped her back to life post-surgery. It was pitched perfectly for her and she was alert, happy and smiling. It was great that someone else was entertaining her for a change. For a child like mine, what the Clowndoctors did with her was educational. It's the kind of stimulation and interaction that suits her."

Parent

"Everyone in our class, staff and pupils, enjoy Clowndoctor visits. There have been some lovely interactions between the Clowndoctors and the children. In our class this year we had a new pupil who started in October. Clowndoctors came to visit on her third day with us and it was the first time we heard her laugh. She was captivated from the start and even cried when they left! We learned much more about our new pupil from that visit."

Teacher



HEARTS & MINDS: Clowndoctors

Hearts & Minds' Clowndoctors programme is a unique therapy that supports children in hospital, hospices, respite and schools for learners with complex additional support needs.

Many of these children and young people feel isolated, powerless and anxious because of their situation; children who have lost their place in that carefree, playful world that every child should have the right to enjoy.

Clowndoctors work to create a valuable outlet for the child's own personality and humour, offering individually-tailored creative,

physical and mental stimulation. Encouraging smiles, laughter, communication and playful interaction is life-affirming, reduces stress and anxiety and helps to alleviate negative feelings and emotional challenges.

Support from the ScottishPower Foundation has allowed the charity to increase hospital visits across Scotland from Inverness, Dundee and Aberdeen, to Glasgow and Edinburgh. Hearts & Minds is now also able to take its therapeutic clowning into schools for children with complex additional support needs across Scotland, delivering to two additional schools in 2019.



CHANGING FACES: The Youth Champions - #FaceEquality

Looking different in a society where there is such pressure to look a certain way can be tough. Changing Faces aims to support people with a visible difference; a mark, scar or condition that makes them look different. They provide advice, support and psychosocial services to children, young people and adults.

Funding from the Foundation enabled the charity to deliver the Youth Action group project bringing on 12 young people in Scotland, with and without a visible difference, to help empower them to become champions for Face Equality. Through training and support, Changing Faces has helped give the young people the confidence, skills and voice to lead the charge in helping to create a society that fully accepts visible differences. The charity has worked closely with the media, schools, government and local communities.





"I am really enjoying being part of the Youth Action Group with Changing Faces because I have met new friends who also have a visible difference. Things have changed a lot for me, and I have become much more confident since I joined. I have been helping to run Face Equality workshops in schools which I couldn't have done before. My proudest moment so far is when I did a Face Equality workshop for 220 people in their first year of secondary school. It was a huge step for me as I started with a Face Equality workshop in the primary school I went to, and that was just a group of 12 pupils." Hannah, aged 15, Youth Action Group member





"I can honestly say that being part of the Changing Faces youth champion programme has been quite a life changing experience for Hannah. I have seen her self assurance blossom and morale soar. The programme has allowed her to build her skills and confidence at a pace she was comfortable with until she has undertaken challenges I never imagined she would be able to."

Donna, Hannah's mum

"I have been astounded by the development of the Youth Action Group's voice, determination and confidence. From tentatively taking part in our first training day 10 months ago, many of them have surprised themselves by the opportunities they have chosen to embrace."

> Luisa Brown, Youth Engagement Worker

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Recognising Achievements



Eight charities, from across the UK, shared a slice of a £30,000 prize fund at the sixth annual ScottishPower Foundation Awards held in ScottishPower's Glasgow headquarters on 23 September.

The Awards ceremony celebrated each of the 25 organisations which the ScottishPower Foundation has supported this year and was an opportunity to bring them together to mark their achievements through presentations and videos. The winning organisation in each category received an additional £5,000 funding boost and four runners-up received £2,500 each to further support the work of their charities.

INNOVATIVE PROJECT AWARD

Winner – Bendrigg Trust

Runner-up – Theatr Clwyd

EDUCATION AWARD

Winner – Size of Wales

Runner-up – Hearts & Minds

COMMUNITY IMPACT / ENGAGEMENT AWARD



Winner – National Deaf Children's Society



Runner-up – Changing Faces

The highlight of the evening was when Robin Barr, from Orkney, was named Charity Champion in recognition of his outstanding efforts over the last 40 years to fundraise and raise awareness for Music in Hospitals and Care (MiHC). Robin, who is 77, challenged himself to walk to the seven farthest points in Orkney, while playing fiddle tunes that he had specifically composed for each location, to highlight the charity's 70th anniversary and to raise £5,000. Due to his commitment and dogged determination, he single-handedly attracted a great amount of attention across social media, radio, TV and with local press in Orkney and Milngavie, raising significant awareness for the charity in Scotland's central belt and in Orkney. Music in Hospitals and Care will put the extra funding towards delivering its services in the Northern Isle.

CHARITY CHAMPION AWARD



Winner – Robin Barr, Music in Hospitals & Care





Summary of Accounts 2019

During the financial period since inception in 2013, ScottishPower has contributed £8,583,912 to the Foundation.

Financial outturn for the year

The charity paid out £1,281,026 in grants and governance costs and had net outgoing resources of £110.843.

Unrestricted reserves at the period end were £228,565, with accruals of £3,398 held for creditors due within the coming year that have been approved in 2019.

Principal funding sources

The sole contributor to the Foundation is ScottishPower, and further funding has been approved for 2020.

Investment policy

Aside from retaining a prudent amount in reserves each period, most of the charity's funds are to be spent in the short term so there are few funds for long-term investment. The Trustees review the banking arrangements on an ongoing basis, thereby ensuring maximum returns for the Foundation as far as possible.

Reserves policy

The Trustees regularly consider the level of reserves required, taking into account their current and future liabilities. The Trustees aim to maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds at a level to cover any incidental costs that would be incurred in the event of the winding up of the Foundation.

The Trustees considered the reserve level at their meeting on 24 September 2019 and agreed that with no paid staff or fixed assets, it was high in relation to the anticipated outgoings of the Foundation and should be reduced. Accordingly, it was agreed to transfer a sum of £149.210 to the revenue account to fund awards for 2020.

The balance held as unrestricted funds at 31 December was £228,565, all of which is regarded as free reserves. The Foundation currently has a committed donation from Scottish Power Limited of £1,346,600 for 2020, to pay donations and grants that have been approved and agreed to be paid in 2020 and beyond. The current level of reserves is therefore sufficient to meet the Foundation's requirements for the next year.

The charity currently has unrestricted funds of £228,565.

Where the money comes from	
Donations from ScottishPower	£1,170,000
Investment income	£183
Total Incoming Resources	£1,170,183
Where the money goes	
Charitable activities	£1,249,963
Travel	£1,136
Management charges	£4,978
Publicity costs	£11,677
Bank charges	£12
IT support	£10,260
Governance costs	£3,000

Balance sheet as at 31 December 2019

£1,281,026

£228,565

Total Expenditure

Net Current Assets

Current assets Cash at bank and in hand £229.073 Debtors £2.890 **Total Current Assets** £231,963 **Current liabilities** Creditors: amounts falling (£3,398) due within one year

In the period to 31 December 2019, the Foundation made 25 grants of between £28.500 and £100.000 to charitable organisations.



