

Blackstone Edge Wind Farm Community Benefits and Low Carbons Funds

Provided by Ventient Energy

Low Carbon Community Fund £100,000.

Grants of £1,000 - £25,000 for projects or schemes that facilitate the use of energy saving technologies in buildings used for community purposes within the area of benefit.

Examples: Improvements to community buildings, i.e a new energy efficient boiler, insulation to help reduce the cost of bills, installing rain water harvesting systems, energy saving bulb replacement schemes in community run buildings, swap shops.

Groups applying for this funding should be able to demonstrate how they meet the priorities. If planning permission is required this needs to be acquired before submitting a grant application. For larger grants you may be asked to provide additional information. See www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/renewable-energy/installation for guidance.

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How much can you apply for?

- Grants will normally be in the region of £1,000 - £5,000.

What are the priorities for the Fund?

Projects and initiatives, with the following priorities

- Advancement of education, culture or science.
- Encouraging public participation in sport involving physical skill and exertion
- The promotion of civic responsibility, volunteering, citizenship or community development.
- Environmental protection or improvement Bio-diversity and habitat conservation;
- Energy conservation and sustainable transport options.

Who can apply?

- Constituted, community or voluntary organisations
- Registered Charities
- Local schools and colleges
- Parish Councils

What is the Area of Benefit? Applicable for both grants

The wind farm is situated in West Barnsley located at Blackstone Edge, the area of benefit is a 5km boundary of the wind farm site*.

- This includes Dunford, Gunthwaite & Ingbirchworth, Langsett and Penistone Parishes, Upper Denby and parts of Holmfirth. (you may be asked to provide evidence of the number of beneficiaries you serve and where they reside as part of the application process)
- Projects outside the 5km boundary of the wind farm may also apply if the majority of the beneficiaries of the project/activity reside within the 5km area.

*As interpreted by Infinis. You can check the area map at www.sycf.org.uk

It is unlikely that panel will consider an application from a group if they have had a grant in the last 12 months.

Applicants must be able to satisfy South Yorkshire's Community Foundation's eligibility criteria, details can be seen on www.sycf.org.uk

All of the above must be benefitting the residents of the defined Area of Benefit (you may be asked to provide evidence of the number of beneficiaries you serve and where they reside as part of the application process)

Who and what cannot be funded?

- Town or Metropolitan Borough councils
- Registered Community Interest Companies, also known as CICs
- Individuals
- The promotion of religious or political views
- To replace existing statutory provision (but such facilities could be enhanced e.g. Parks)
- Against the interests of the developer or wind farm landowner(s) or anti-renewable energy/ wind farm activities
- Retrospective funding – i.e. things or activities that either have already been paid for, or have already happened

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How to apply? On-line via the web-site.

Access the form via the SYCF web-site.

If you require any technical help with the application form then please contact SYCF 0114 242 429.

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