



STAR ENERGY Community Fund



The *Star Energy Community Fund* has been established to enable us to support the various communities in which we operate around the UK. As an energy provider involved in the storage of gas and in the production of gas, oil and electricity, we have an important socially-beneficial role. We nonetheless recognise that, in helping to satisfy society's needs, our activities have the potential to affect our neighbours. We accept the responsibility to minimise those impacts and to operate in a socially and environmentally acceptable manner. But we also recognise that a good corporate neighbour is one who contributes to the wider well-being of the community.

The company

Star Energy is an energy company with a primary focus on gas storage. Founded in 1999, we are also the UK's second largest onshore oil producer and generate electricity. Our operations are focused on two key areas: the Weald Basin of Hampshire, Surrey and Sussex; and the East Midlands oilfields around Lincoln and Gainsborough. We employ over 150 people and have turnover in excess of £50 million.

The fund

The fund is run by a grant panel that includes representatives from Star Energy and from the various local authorities in whose areas we operate. The role of the panel is to evaluate applications made to the fund and to award grants accordingly. It also receives regular progress reports from projects that have previously been awarded funds. Reporting to the panel is a fund administrator responsible for day-to-day liaison with project leaders.

Where does the fund operate?

The *Star Energy Community Fund* will support projects that apply to towns/parishes in the immediate vicinity of its operational surface facilities. Usually this will mean the same parish or an immediately adjoining one. Operations may be onshore oil and gas production facilities, gas storage facilities, and electricity generation sites. Pipeline routes and related

construction facilities are included while they are being built, but not once complete.

Locations currently covered are as follows:

HAMPSHIRE

Humbly Grove oilfield
Herriard oilfield
Horndean oilfield
Stockbridge oilfield
Goodworth oilfield
Avington oilfield

SURREY

Albury gasfield
Bletchingley gasfield
Palmer's Wood oilfield

WEST SUSSEX

Storrington oilfield

LINCOLNSHIRE

Welton oilfield
Gainsborough/Beckingham oilfield
Corringham oilfield
Glentworth/East Glentworth oilfield
Scampton/Scampton North oilfield
Nettleham oilfield
Stainton oilfield
Cold Hanworth oilfield

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE/LEICESTERSHIRE

Rempstone oilfield
Long Clawson oilfield
South Leverton oilfield
Bothamsall oilfield
Egmanton oilfield



Projects we aim to support

The aim of the fund is to support initiatives that originate from within individual parishes and that have clear social benefits for the people living in those areas. Projects should tackle issues faced by rural communities and make a positive contribution to the social fabric, environment, economic development or regeneration of the area. They should promote sustainable development and demonstrate sustainability beyond the life of the grant. Funding will normally be available up to a limit of £20,000 per project per year and may be matched by funds from other sources.

Examples of projects that may be suitable for funding include:

- Local nature reserves
- Clearance of footpaths
- Schemes that encourage recycling and waste reduction
- Other environmentally-beneficial schemes
- Playgrounds and facilities for young children
- Initiatives focused on teenagers
- Facilities for older people

- Community transport initiatives
- Schemes that encourage community involvement
- Rural business initiatives
- Information technology projects in rural areas
- Initiatives designed to tackle crime and improve community safety
- Projects that celebrate local heritage.



What is involved in applying?

Applications should normally come from community or charitable organisations based within

the area concerned. You can download the necessary detailed guidelines, initial expression of interest and application forms from our website. Your application will be assessed and a decision advised. Grants should normally be spent within one year of the award. You will be asked to provide the administrator with regular progress reports and accounts to demonstrate how the funding is being used.

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Contact us

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