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EAST MIDLANDS

IGAS LOCATIONS

Gainsborough / Beckingham, Lincs

Glentworth, Lincs

Welton, Lincs

Scampton, Lincs

Cold Hanworth, Lincs

Springs Road, Notts

Connexions Community Hub – renovation work and sensory play equipment

£2,000 was awarded towards the cost of building improvements and the purchase of sensory play equipment for this volunteer-run community centre.

Uphills MUGA Group – refurbishment work and new portable floodlights

Awarded a grant of £5,000 towards the repainting of the Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) surface and the purchase of portable floodlights to extend the hours of use at this popular community facility.

Lincolnshire and District Scout Council – new wooden building for scout campsite

£3,000 was awarded towards the cost of a new wooden building to be erected at the Sudbrooke Scout Camp. The building will add much-needed indoor cooking and other facilities to this busy camp site.

Reepham and Cherry Willingham Parish Council – external CCTV

Awarded a grant of £1,115 towards the installation of CCTV cameras at the village hall to improve security for visitors to the hall and car park and reduce vandalism at the site.

Burton-by-Lincoln Parish Council – speed signs

£3,000 was awarded for the purchase of speed signs to help reduce the speed of motorists and improve road safety through the village.

Ranskill Primary School with Scrooby Gardening Club – gardening equipment

Awarded a grant of £1,500 towards the cost of equipment, seeds, plants and materials for an educational growing project that spans the generations.

Mattersey Primary School – Cyber Reading Café

£2,000 was awarded towards the cost of computers and other equipment to start a computer literacy project that reaches out to all ages within the community as well as providing a valuable resource for the school.

Everton Primary School – iPads for school and community use

Awarded a grant of £2,500 towards the school's Digital Age project which will see the children showing older members of the community the benefits of technology and how to use it. They also plan to record the memories of the older generation for a VE Day project. The equipment will be used for adult education and by other community organisations as well as the school children going forward.

SOUTH

IGAS LOCATIONS

Bletchingley, Surrey

Singleton, West Sussex

Stockbridge, Hampshire

Albury, Surrey

Avington, Hampshire

Godstone, Palmer's Wood, Surrey

Horndean, Hampshire

Holybourne, Hampshire

The Blue Bell Community Hub – external works

An award of £3,000 was made towards extensive external works to improve facilities as this recently established community hub alongside the South Downs Way.

Singleton Playschool – new equipment and furnishings

£1,000 was awarded for new toys, furniture and equipment for the playschool.

East Dean Village Hall – replacement windows

£2,000 was awarded towards the cost of replacement windows for the village hall.

Singleton Village Hall – emergency lighting

Awarded £738 to cover the cost of essential upgrades to the hall's electrical fittings.

Cocking Parish Council – community defibrillator

An award of £1,600 was made to enable the Parish Council to purchase a defibrillator for this rural community.

The Gratton Trust – riverbank stabilisation and conservation

A grant of £3,000 was awarded to help with the cost of stabilisation work on the riverbank at this popular open space. The work will allow families to continue to enjoy the river and adjoining picnic area while protecting the habitat of a wide variety of wildlife species.

West Clandon Parish Council – toddler play equipment

£2,500 was awarded towards the purchase of toddler equipment for the village playground.

The Pop-Up Gallery – materials for venue improvements and display materials

An award of £900 was made for 'Inspire Shere' – a pop-up art and nature project that aims to provide positive experiences for people suffering with mental health issues and/or social isolation.

Perins School – well-being garden

£1,000 was awarded towards the cost of creating a therapeutic well-being garden in the school grounds – a place where staff, students and members of local community groups can relax and enjoy nature. The garden will be created by the school children and will be used as a resource for various study topics within the curriculum. Vegetables and fruit grown in the garden will be cooked in Home Economics lessons. Other local groups, including dementia sufferers will be invited to use the garden. Planting will encourage butterflies and bees.

Itchen Abbas and Avington Village Hall – replacement LED lighting

An award of £2,053 was made to cover the cost of replacing old halogen light fittings in one of the village hall rooms with energy-saving LED lights.

Clanfield Junior School – outdoor tables and benches

£1,280 was awarded for the purchase of new outdoor tables and benches to improve facilities for children and their parents. The tables are designed to allow access for wheelchair users.

Clanfield Bowls and Sports Club – equipment for disabled and infirm players

£1,800 was awarded for the purchase of a bowls wheelchair, a bowling support frame and other specialised equipment to enable disabled players to enjoy the sport of bowls. The grant will also cover the cost of a storage shed to house the equipment.

Clanfield Sports and Community Centre – outdoor tables and benches

A grant of £1,500 will help towards the cost of new tables and benches to enable better use to be made of a patio area outside the community café at the centre.

KIDS Smile Centre – communications resources pack

£1,869 will enable the purchase of a pack of resources to help disabled youngsters to communicate more effectively with each other and staff, reducing the isolation that many experience around communication and raising their confidence while learning practical life skills.

Eggar's School – pop-up gazebo

£1,050 was awarded for the purchase of large pop-up gazebo for use at the many community events and regional school sports days that are held at the school.

Holybourne Village Hall – refurbishment of toilet facilities

A grant of £4,000 will go towards a major refurbishment project to improve and update the toilet facilities at this busy village hall.