

Maximising local benefit

A power for good

RES and TRIG seek to be a power for good in communities that neighbour our projects by working openly and constructively to ensure tangible local benefits. We believe that onshore wind should provide direct, lasting benefits to local communities and there are a number of ways that this can be achieved.

The Altahullion Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund has been providing annual funds to local community groups since 2004. This grassroots approach has ensured that investment reaches the people and projects that matter most. From local facilities and services to community initiatives that strengthen culture and community.

We are committed to ensure this continues. A tailored community benefit package will form part of the repower proposal and we are looking to hear from you as to what you think the community benefit package should be used for and how. Please fill in a comment form to provide your feedback.

Local Electricity Discount Scheme

RES' unique Local Electricity Discount Scheme (LEDs) was developed in response to research and feedback from local communities around RES' operational wind farms, and seeks to deliver direct and tangible benefits to people living and working closest to them. LEDs offers an annual discount to the electricity bills of those properties closest to a participating renewable energy project and there is no need to change energy provider.

LEDs could form part of a tailored Community Benefit Fund package for Altahullion Repower project, should that be the priority of the community.

“We are deeply grateful for the generous support that has enabled us to sustain and strengthen our efforts.

As we move forward, we remain dedicated to serving our community and ensuring that resources are used efficiently to create lasting change.”

Inward investment

Some of the most direct and meaningful benefits that can be delivered from a project like this are jobs and employment for local businesses and contractors, in addition to the use of local services and amenities, all of which can generate a significant amount of inward investment within the area.

We have a strong track record for working with the local supply chain around its projects and, in order to maximise the opportunities from the Altahullion repower proposal, we are looking to build our knowledge of the local skills and capabilities within the area. If you're a local business (or know a local business) interested in getting involved in onshore wind, please speak to our project team.

During the construction of **Castle Craig Wind Farm**, near Drumquin, over **£3 million** inward investment was realised into the local economy. The wind farm construction also provided employment for around 50 local people. The construction of **Altaveeden Wind Farm**, near Loughguile was an economic success for local area, with **£1.3 million** invested directly into Co. Antrim with £772,000 of this spent within 5 miles of the site. A number of local contractors were used including P. Keenan and Sons, F.P. McCann and William and Henry Alexander (Civil Engineering) Limited.

Altahullion Wind Farm Proposal

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