Leiston and Sizewell Community Fund
Terms of Reference

Scope

RWE Innogy is leading the development and construction of the Galloper Offshore Wind Farm project, which is a partnership between RWE Innogy, Siemens Financial Services, the Green Investment Bank and Macquarie Capital. The Galloper Offshore Wind Farm is situated off the Suffolk coast.

To support their operations in Suffolk, the partnership wishes to establish a fund to help local community groups, aiming at small grass root organisations. A contribution of £12,500 per year for 7 years will be made to the fund to support a grants programme for the Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council Area.

The fund will be administered by EDF Energy, Sizewell B power station in accordance with the principles set out in a Deed of Variation dated 20 October 2015 made between EDF Energy NGL and Galloper Wind Farm Ltd.

The sum of £50,000 has been paid, in respect of contributions due for 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015. The tenant shall pay the remaining contributions each of £12,500 in 2016, 2017 and 2018. The total sum of £87,500 to be paid.

Focus and Objectives

The Community Fund would focus primarily, but not exclusively, supporting a wide range of community issues and initiatives addressing local priority needs. The below list is not exhaustive:

- Support local solutions to meet local needs
- Promote community interaction
- Develop sustainable and supportive communities
- Tackle disadvantage
- Promote health and wellbeing
- Supporting education
- To fund not for profit organisations and local charities – preference given to less than £100k turnover

Membership

Membership committee comprises the following:

- A representative from Sizewell B power station, EDF Energy
- Community Action Suffolk (CAS)
- Option for representative of Galloper Offshore Wind Farm to attend – for information only
Meeting Preparation

The Community Fund Committee will meet quarterly to review submitted requests and approve or decline as appropriate. Meetings can be attended by teleconference to avoid travel and will last approximately one hour. All papers will be circulated to the committee members at least two working days in advance of the meeting date. It will be taken that all committee members will have read and be familiar with all items to be discussed.

Meeting Inputs

Committee members will assess each request against the criteria stated above, bearing in mind the available budget. The Committee has an absolute discretion to award monies

The Community Benefit Fund will not support:

- welfare of animals
- direct replacement of statutory obligation and public funding
- promotion of political or religious causes
- grants to individuals or families for personal needs
- national charities that are not providing clear local benefits
- payment of deficit funding or repayment of loans
- overseas travel or expeditions for individuals and groups
- projects unable to start within six months
- purposes adverse EDF Energy’s or Galloper Wind Farm Ltd’s’s interest
- Funding should be given to a specific application rather than a bid for general funds, to include capital and revenue (costs of the project and its running costs).
- No sponsorship should be undertaken which is considered to be outside our 10km geographical area, unless beneficiaries are within 10km.
- The maximum amount of sponsorship given to one cause in any 12 months will not normally exceed £5,000.

As well as requests for sponsorship, the committee can be proactive in identifying causes which meet the above criteria.

Organisations or individuals requesting funding must provide a business case, either by written application or email, outlining a clear and appropriate application focus and benefit to the community/group from which they are applying.

Decision Making

Decisions of the Committee will be by a majority vote. Committee members must not take part in any decisions involving charities or causes in which they, or members of their immediate families are involved.
Meeting Outputs

Actions and decisions will be recorded by the Chair and applicants will be notified in writing. Public attribution of fund disbursements will recognise both EDF Energy and Galloper Wind Farm Ltd and potential public relations of each application should be taken into account.