

Annual Review 2015/16

£1,001,703 distributed to communities, supporting
over 340 voluntary and community projects and individuals



**Thank you
Surrey**

Foreword

In the year that we celebrated our 10th anniversary, the Foundation awarded over £1 million in grants, more than in any other year and meeting the target set when we first established.

2,088 grants totalling almost £6 million have been awarded over the 10 years to support inspiring local community and voluntary groups working across the County to support people in need. Permanent Community Funds of almost £10 million have been established ensuring on-going funding and a strong basis for growth.

The Community Foundation has inspired a growing philanthropic movement in Surrey generating significant new community resources and playing a vital role in helping the most vulnerable and isolated across our County.

Surrey families, businesses, trusts and individuals have come together to invest in their local communities and we would like to thank all our Donors for their on-going and generous support that makes such a difference to people's lives. This report is a celebration of our Donors, the inspiring local communities that we support and our dedicated and hugely experienced team of Trustees, Advisers and Staff.

We are ambitious in our plans to raise awareness of local needs and significantly increase the level of philanthropic giving not just for today but in perpetuity. We hope that you will join us to help transform lives and build thriving local communities across Surrey.



David Frank
Chairman



Wendy Varcoe MBE
Executive Director



Highlights

Over £1 million awarded over the year

340 inspiring community projects in 2015-16

Almost £6 million awarded over 10 years

Inspiring a growing philanthropic movement

A growing family of Donors

Inspiring local community projects across Surrey

A Message from Our Sponsor

It is a huge pleasure once again to sponsor the Community Foundation Annual Report – and to see how each year it continues to build so strongly on the successes of the year before.

And what a way to celebrate its 10th Birthday – with more than £1,000,000 in grants awarded for the first time and every pound spent a contribution to transforming lives and building strong communities throughout the county.

We have been delighted this year to welcome Wendy and the team to our office in Godalming; we are so pleased to be able to provide this practical support to the day to day working of the Foundation.

Another brilliant year of growth, but the great thing is you will not find anyone at the Foundation resting on their laurels. I look forward to reading of more success in a year's time!

Gordon Reid
Head of Charities Barlow Robbins LLP



About Us

What is the Community Foundation for Surrey?

The Community Foundation for Surrey is a philanthropic organisation, dedicated to inspiring local giving for local need. By building permanent community resources we are able to support those in need and improve the lives of people in Surrey.

We offer a tailored service to philanthropists who have a commitment and passion for making a difference to people's lives by connecting them to causes they care about, inspiring local philanthropy to develop thriving communities now and in the future.

“The benefits of working with the Community Foundation are very simple. Their small team of staff work hard to find local grassroots projects for us to support, going through proper due diligence with grant applicants, to provide a seamless giving process.

Financially we benefit from the skills and experience of their investment team, who ensure money is invested safely and effectively. By investing funds collectively, they generate ongoing income at a higher rate than they would if invested separately, generating more funds to be awarded as grants to local projects.”

Mike Moss, Tandridge Community Fund

Surrey Uncovered

In 2013 we commissioned an independent report, Surrey Uncovered, to identify the need for local giving in Surrey.

This report revealed the significant need in our local communities and, using the latest statistics, told the story of stark inequalities and social disadvantage throughout the county.

Surrey Uncovered looked at the overall statistics for Surrey but also drilled down to the local level to uncover need that is often masked by the county's overall wealth.

The UK Community Foundation Movement

The Community Foundation for Surrey is part of a national network of 46 Community Foundations, one of the fastest growing philanthropic movements in the UK, continuing to be hugely successful in supporting local communities across the country.

- Over half a billion pounds in endowed funds held nationally
- The average size of a grant is £3,200
- Community foundations are collectively the tenth biggest grant maker in the UK with the second fastest growing endowment.
- Community foundations have established 2,300 funds on behalf of individuals, families and companies
- Work closely with the Charity Commission to bring dormant trusts back into public use



27,000

children and young people live in poverty in Surrey, over 10% of the 0 –19 age group

12,000

young carers and 7,500 carers over the age of 65 living in Surrey

1 in 4

people will experience poor mental health in Surrey in any given year and 1 in 10 children face mental health problems

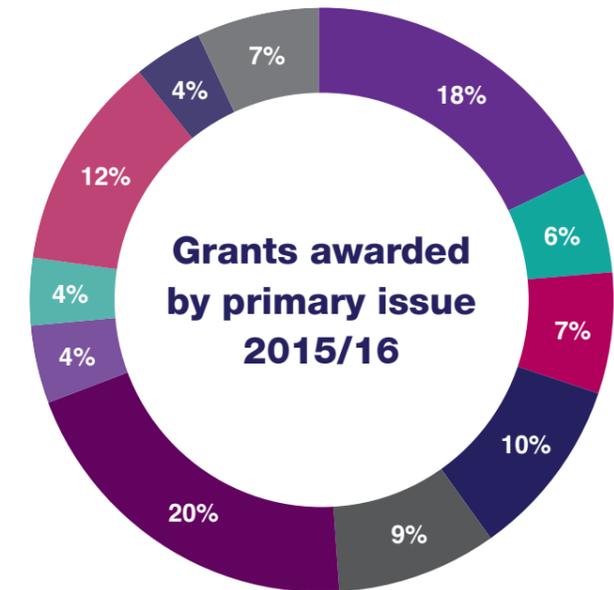
The impact of our grants

We work closely with individuals, families, trusts and businesses to build permanent community resources and support the work of individuals, charities, and community or voluntary groups in Surrey for generations to come.

The Community Foundation strives to provide excellent donor care services, inform those with the desire to give as to the need in the county and increase the overall level of philanthropy in Surrey.

Grants awarded by primary issue 2015-16

Our grants are made to community and voluntary groups and individuals across the county. The average size of grant awarded in 2015-6 was £2,953 and the diagram (right) shows the huge range of causes that benefited from grants awarded.



- Arts and Culture
- Health and Wellbeing
- Community Support and Development
- Homelessness
- Counselling/Advice/Mentoring
- Poverty and Disadvantage
- Disability and Access Issues
- Sport and Recreation
- Education and Training
- Supporting Family Life
- Employment and Labour
- Other

Encouraging learning through nature

A grant of £2,000 was awarded to Autism and Nature in July 2015, from the Orchid Environmental Trust Fund. The funding enabled the production of an illustrated storybook, 'Alex and Rosie's Adventures in Surrey', to help parents/carers and teachers in Surrey encourage autistic children to engage with the natural environment.



Providing a safe environment for young people

The Elmbridge Community Fund awarded its third grant to the Cobham based SAY Youth Club. A grant of £2,400 has supported the club's expansion to support older teenagers.



“We are delighted to have supported such a worthwhile local project and are excited by the huge potential of the Fund to support more and more local community and voluntary groups in the future.”

Dominic Raab MP

Funds established in 2015/16

Gold-i Innovation Fund



Gold-i, a Guildford-based world leader in trading systems integration, established a bespoke fund which will help organisations across Surrey to do something new, innovative or remarkable, with clear benefits for people in the community.

“We created our own Fund for Innovation to provide funding and support for initiatives which push boundaries, providing clear benefits for people in the Surrey community. We look forward to a long partnership with the Community Foundation.”

Tom Higgins, CEO, Gold-i



Tom Higgins, CEO, Gold-i joined our Trustee Martin De Forest-Brown to present a cheque to Jenny Seagrove of Mane Chance.

The Mane Chance Sanctuary was the first recipient of funding. A grant of £2,500 helped to fund bursaries for their pioneering Chance 4 Trust (C4T) Programme, a unique therapy which involves working one to one with a trained practitioner and the horses at Mane Chance. Children are taught mindfulness in a nurturing environment, helping them regulate emotional responses so they are better equipped to deal with challenging situations. A further £2,500 was donated by the Dora Fedoruk Memorial Fund.

Parkes Fund

The Parkes Fund supports projects and improvement to facilities combatting social isolation and disadvantage, particularly those helping families and children. FamilyLine received a grant of £9,810 towards the salary of a Helpline Manager who focuses on the recruitment, training and retention of volunteers.

Charles Russell Speechlys Community Fund



Charles Russell Speechlys established their fund this year, focussing on helping people gain confidence and raise aspirations through training and development of new skills; as well as widening horizons by providing opportunities to young people. Staff from across Charles Russell Speechlys sit on the Fund's panel and decide on recommendations made by the Community Foundation about which projects to fund.

RAISE Challenge Fund

The RAISE Challenge Fund, established in partnership with the regional charity RAISE and Community Foundations across the South East, supported innovation, leadership, creative thinking, resourcefulness and piloting activity within the voluntary sector. A total of £100,000 was awarded across the South East. Local grants awarded in Surrey included £10,000 to Elmbridge Rentstart as they expanded their Rentstart Rescue service and piloted a new scheme offering additional financial support to rough sleepers.

Christim Beck Community Fund

The Christim Beck Community Fund was established to support disadvantaged, encourage access to the arts, support innovation, conserve the Surrey Hills and improve people's health. In 2016, a grant was awarded to the Watts Gallery in order to fund workshops as part of an outreach programme providing 'Art for All', including young people classified as not in education, employment or training (NEET), as well as groups combating social issues such as homelessness, disability and mental illness.

Betty Parr Whitbread Music Fund

The Betty Parr Whitbread Music Fund has been established to support classical music projects in and around the Haslemere region. Previously the Betty Parr Whitbread Music Trust, the Fund was established as a trust transfer, enabling it to continue benefitting the local community.

How We Help

The Community Foundation supports philanthropists to make giving as effective as possible. With our local expertise, we find wonderful grassroots projects operating below the radar, where a modest sum of money can have significant impact. There are a range of ways in which our donors support the causes they care about, allowing all to be involved in philanthropy no matter the financial or time commitment intended.

Named Funds

By establishing a fund with us many find they are able to share in the joy of giving with their families, get involved in the grant making process and visit projects to see the impact of grants awarded. The creation of a bespoke fund allows donors to support causes that matter most to them and allows them to be as involved in the giving process as they wish, whilst at the same time benefitting from the Community Foundation's experience, contacts and grant making abilities.



Bloomin' Arts provides opportunities for people with learning difficulties to enjoy, develop skills, perform and work in the arts. A grant of £1,500 was awarded by the Bryn Siriol Fund for production costs for the production of "What the Dickens".



Westborough Allotments Self-Help Association were awarded a grant of £1,200 by the Orchid Environmental Trust Fund, helping the Association meet running costs and purchase new equipment.

Memory Funds

Many individuals, families and organisations wish to remember a colleague or loved one by setting up a charitable fund in their name to support local causes close to their heart. Family and friends are able to establish a bespoke fund, with a personal focus, which is both tax-efficient and professionally managed.

Rebecca Cannon passed away suddenly on the 31st July 2014 as a result of a bowel complication that was incredibly rare in a 22 year old. Rebecca will always be lovingly remembered as an affectionate and caring friend, daughter and sister, with a feisty personality and a passionate determination to change the world. The Rebecca Cannon Vitality Fund aims to provide a lasting legacy to her determination, raising money in her memory offering a brighter future for homeless and disadvantaged young people.



Surrey charity, Transform Housing & Support, work with people with a wide range of support needs to prevent homelessness. They received a grant of £4,000 toward a winter shelter project for homeless people in Elmbridge, Runnymede and Spelthorne.

Leaving a Lasting Legacy

The Community Foundation for Surrey offers an ideal way to leave a legacy efficiently and easily, with a number of options available to ensure that gifts from people who love Surrey continue to make a positive impact in perpetuity. A number of our existing funds were established by or have benefited from gifts left in the wills of people who love Surrey. We work closely with professional advisors to ensure the wishes of legacy givers are fulfilled and the family of the donor can have an input on how the funds are distributed too.

Corporate Giving

We work with businesses who want to give something back to their local communities to fund the charities and voluntary groups, providing vital services for local people and disadvantaged individuals.

Electronic Arts has two Community Foundation funds to support skills and training projects in Guildford for young people as well as specific educational programmes; the Electronic Arts Youth Fund and the Electronic Arts Educational Fund, both supporting young people in various capacities. In 2015 the Electronic Arts Educational Fund made a grant to SATRO in order to support the organisation of an annual Maths Challenge event for AS Maths students.



Maths students participate in the SATRO Maths Challenge.

Delivering National Programmes

We are delighted to continue our partnership with Comic Relief to deliver this programme in Surrey. Comic Relief continues to build on their work with the UK Community Foundations (UKCF) and Community Foundations across the UK, to deliver their Local Communities Programme. Local Communities makes £4.5 million available to fund projects across the UK which are addressing the issues of economic and social deprivation.

Meeting Point is a small community group offering a weekly social afternoon for residents of Stoke ward in the church hall at St Peter's Church in Bellfields, Guildford. The group aims to bring people together and develop friendships and support that extends beyond the weekly meetings. A grant from Comic Relief allowed Meeting Point to continue offering monthly meetings with a meal as well as expanding the current offering to include eight exercise sessions.



The group at Meeting Point, Bellfields come together to enjoy a meal.

Trust Transfers

Community Foundations across the UK have developed a strong partnership with the Charity Commission to advance the understanding and expertise required to handle trust transfers. In Surrey we have worked with Trusts to transfer assets to a Community Foundation for Surrey Fund. This way Trustees can ensure assets are professionally managed and invested whilst retaining as much influence in the grant making process as they wish.

Working with Trusts

We work with a number of existing Charitable Trusts to support their local grant making programmes. Trustees of Charitable Trusts benefit from the Community Foundation's knowledge of local needs, due diligence and grant-making experience.

By working with the Community Foundation for Surrey, national foundation The Peter Harrison Foundation benefits from the Community Foundation's local knowledge to run a small local grants programme within Surrey. The Beacon Church in Camberley benefitted from a grant from The Peter Harrison Foundation Community Fund. A grant of £1,115 supported Old Dean Community Football Club, run by the church, to purchase new equipment.



Collective Giving

Working together for maximum impact

Our collective funds provide the perfect way for donors to collaborate with others and pool donations to support the causes that matter to them. This could be by supporting a specific area of Surrey on a more local level, or helping the disadvantaged access an activity or passion such as the arts or sport.

Themed Funds

Enhancing lives through landscape

A grant of £1,000 from the Surrey Hills Trust Fund was made to the Leatherhead Youth Project to provide a unique outdoor learning experience to young people from a high need area, who may not have otherwise had the opportunity. This funding helped them to coordinate a two day programme in the Surrey Hills which saw students undertake Forest School Survival Skills training. This involved building shelters, camp fires and learning how to forage for food as well as outdoor team building, helping them to engage with the Surrey Hills countryside and boosting confidence and learning.

“We were delighted to award this grant from the Surrey Hills Trust Fund. It is so very important to engage young people with their local countryside. The benefit of outdoor education is immense from developing confidence to understanding the natural environment. I hope this programme has inspired these young people and that they carry this experience into their futures.”

Neil Maltby, Chairman of the Surrey Hills Trust Fund



Students from Therfield School in Leatherhead enjoy the Surrey Hills.

Sporting Activities for the Disabled

A grant of £3,000 was awarded by the Surrey Sports Fund. This was used to make ready a boat for leisure use on the river by disadvantaged and disabled people from North Surrey.

Surrey Young People’s Fund

A grant of £270 enabled Simon* to buy professional barbering clippers and scissors. He is due to start work soon and is also starting at the School of Barbering, where on completion he will have a Level 2 Diploma in Barbering. He told us that without our help, he doesn’t know if he would be where he is today.

*Not his real name

2,500

young people are not in work or training in Surrey

Surrey Sports Fund

Making sport accessible and enjoyable to everyone, whatever their abilities or financial situation

Surrey Community Arts Fund

Supporting the arts across the county, particularly children and young people who would not otherwise have had the opportunity to participate in music.

Surrey Community Fund

Supporting those most in need in the areas receiving the least support across Surrey.

Surrey Supported Employment Fund

Awarding grants to individuals with a disability to overcome barriers to work.

Surrey Young People’s Fund

Helping disadvantaged young people gain access to training and employment.

The Surrey Hills Trust Fund

Conserving and improving the Surrey Hills Area of Natural Beauty for generations to come as well as enhancing local lives through the landscape.

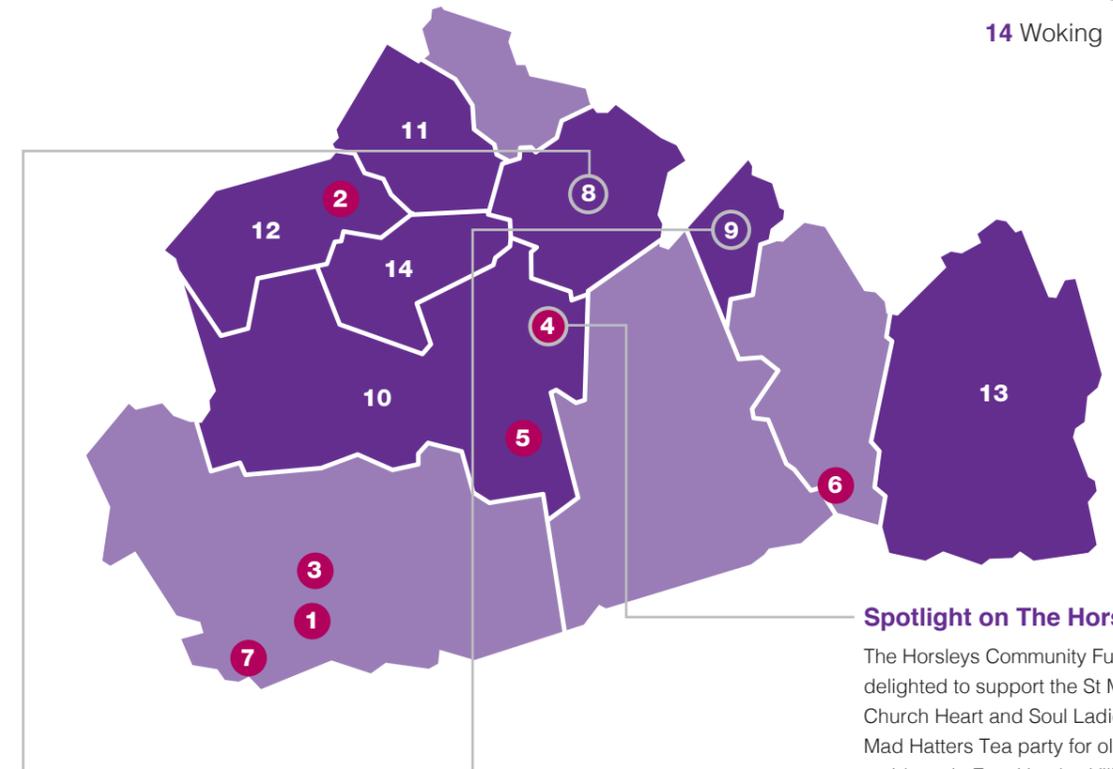
Area Funds

We have worked with a number of local communities across Surrey to develop a network of Area Funds. These Funds enable local people to come together to support needs specific to their communities.

Community funds bring together local residents, businesses and leaders to support their village, town or borough. Panels of local people ensure funding gets to where it is most needed.

Village Funds Town Funds Borough-wide Funds

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| 1 Chiddingfold | 6 Horley | 8 Elmbridge |
| 2 Chobham | 7 Haslemere | 9 Epsom & Ewell |
| 3 Hambledon | | 10 Guildford |
| 4 The Horsleys | | 11 Runnymede |
| 5 Peaslake | | 12 Surrey Heath |
| | | 13 Tandridge |
| | | 14 Woking |



Spotlight on Elmbridge

The Elmbridge Community Fund awarded a grant of £1,000 to the Walton Stroke Club to sustain physiotherapy provision, continuing to offer sessions at an affordable rate where needed. The physiotherapy sessions help restore mobility to recipients following a stroke, as well as increasing morale and motivation following a challenging time.



Spotlight on Epsom & Ewell

A grant of £1,000 supported the Richmond Fellowship to expand the Old Moat Garden Centre Café in Epsom to help more people gain work experience and training. The project offers people with mental health problems the opportunity to enrol in training and work experience programmes in a realistic, commercial, but supportive environment.

“We are delighted to award our first grants to such inspirational groups working across the Borough. This Fund provides a permanent source of funding for local people; run by local people, who care about Epsom & Ewell.”

Mayor (2015-6), Councillor Chris Frost
Founder of the Epsom & Ewell Community Fund

Spotlight on The Horsleys

The Horsleys Community Fund were delighted to support the St Mary’s Church Heart and Soul Ladies Group Mad Hatters Tea party for older residents in East Horsley Village Hall. The event promoted companionship and encouraged new friendships reducing isolation and loneliness.

“With the support of the Community Foundation, the Horsleys Community Fund is awarding more grants to local groups who provide essential services in the villages and donors are confident their money is being used exactly where it is needed.”

Clare Mathias, Chair
Horsleys Community Fund



Our Financial Review

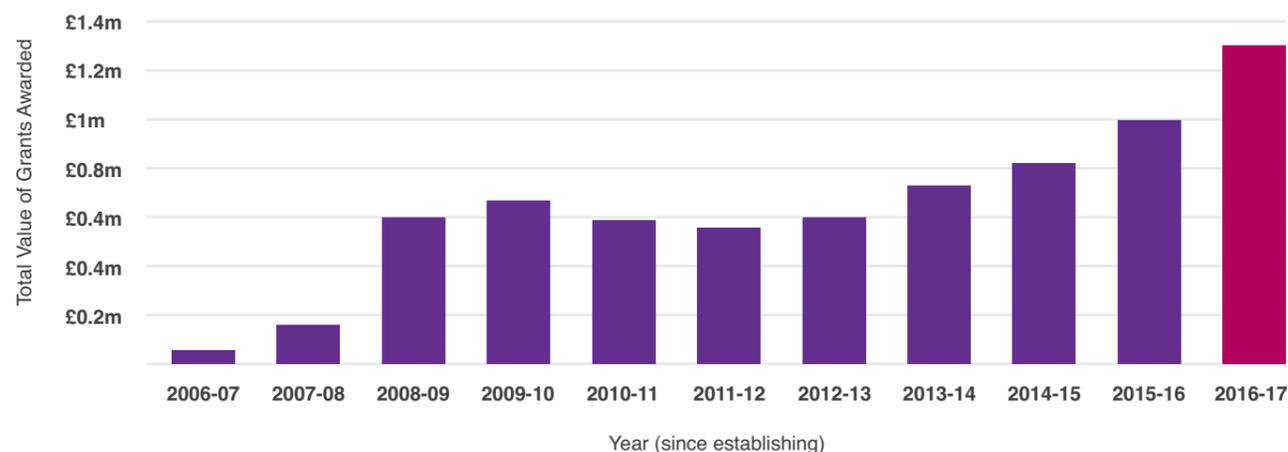
During the year we awarded 340 grants totalling **£1,001,703**, raised **£840,563** in Flow-through Fund donations and **£356,576** in Endowment Funds. Our Endowment Funds totalled **£9,359,882** as of 31 March 2016.

Where our money came from	2015-16 £	2014-15 £
Our total income was	1,807,967	2,501,450
New Endowment Funds	356,576	1,526,133
New Flow-through Funds	840,563	523,739
Donations towards support costs	177,612	111,903
Net Investment Income	394,440	319,581

How we spent our money	£	£
We spent	1,334,215	1,059,080
Grants paid	985,456	774,782
Grant making & Donor development	260,748	205,694
Costs of generating new funds	88,011	78,604

Total Value of Grants Awarded

Since establishment, the Community Foundation for Surrey has awarded a total of £5,890,753 to support communities across the county. The graph below illustrates how we have continued to increase giving in Surrey, and shows our target for 2016/7.



Our Funds

The Trustees and Staff would like to thank all of our donors and fund holders who between them have made a substantial contribution to improving the lives of people across Surrey.

Flow Through

All donations distributed for grant making.

- Albert Van Den Bergh Fund
- Birtley House Fund
- Carts Fund
- Charles Russell Speechlys Community Fund
- Christim Beck Community Fund
- Comic Relief
- CSH Surrey Community Fund
- Dunsfold Park Fund
- Gold-i Innovation Fund
- Memset Community Fund
- RAISE Challenge Fund
- Rake Community Fund
- Surrey Flood Recovery Appeal
- Surviving Winter Campaign Fund
- The Fidelity UK Foundation Surrey Community Development Fund
- The LBM Jem Fund
- The Peter Harrison Foundation Community Fund
- The Rebecca Cannon Vitality Fund
- The Travers Cox Community Fund

The Trustees and Staff would like to thank the Foundation's core sponsors and Foundation Champions for their generosity and on-going support:

- The Netherby Trust
- Community Foundation Champion (anonymous)
- Albert Van Den Bergh Charitable Trust

Endowment

Donations invested to generate income for grant making now and in the future.

- Aviva Endowment Fund (formerly Friends Life Fund)
- Baker Family Fund
- Betty Parr Whitbread Music Fund
- Bexington Fund
- Bishop of Guildford's Foundation
- Bryn Siriol Fund
- Dancer Fund
- Dora Fedoruk Memorial Fund
- East Court Fund
- Electronic Arts Educational Fund
- Electronic Arts Youth Fund
- Hamilton Fund
- Hazelhurst Fund
- Kaye Family Fund
- Lawther Community Fund
- Mamie Mollan Community Fund
- NIBS-Wells Fund
- Ockley Community Fund
- One & 35 Fund
- Orchid Environmental Trust Fund
- Parkes Fund
- Perros Trust Fund
- The Pargiter Trust Fund
- The Thomas Trust Community Fund

Area Funds

All our Area Funds are Endowment Funds, invested to generate income for grant making now and in the future.

- Chiddingfold Community Fund
- Chobham Bly Lawson Community Fund
- Elmbridge Community Fund
- Epsom & Ewell Community Fund
- Guildford Philanthropy
- Hambleton Community Fund
- Haslemere Challice Community Fund
- Horley Edmonds Community Fund
- Horsleys Community Fund
- Lower Green Neighbourhood Fund
- Peaslake Village Community Fund
- Runnymede Community Fund
- Surrey Heath Community Fund
- Tandridge Community Fund
- Woking Community Fund

Themed Funds

- Endowment:**
- Surrey Community Arts Fund
- Surrey Community Fund
- Surrey Hills Trust Fund
- Surrey Sports Fund
- Surrey Supported Employment Fund

- Flow Through:**
- Surrey Young People's Fund

The Netherby Trust

Community Foundation Champion (anonymous)

Albert Van Den Bergh Charitable Trust



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