**(NAME OF YOUR ORGANISATION)**

**Press release**

**Date**

**[NAME OF COMMUNITY BUSINESS AND AREA) awarded (INSERT GRANT AMOUNT) from Power to Change**

(LOCATION E.G. ‘NORWICH’) (DESCRIBE WHAT YOUR ORGANISATION IS E.G. ‘COMMUNITY PUB’) has won a grant of £XXX from independent trust Power to Change. The grant, part of the trust’s Community Business Fund, will allow the (GROUP/COMPANY/CHARITY) to (INSERT HERE WHAT YOU WILL DO WITH THE MONEY).

(INSERT A BIT OF BACKGROUND TO THE GRANT, HOW LONG HAS THE PROJECT BEEN RUNNING FOR, ANY OTHER INFO YOU THINK PEOPLE SHOULD KNOW).

(NAME, TITLE) said: “This grant will (GIVE SOME COLOUR TO HOW MUCH THIS GRANT MEANS TO YOU, WHAT IT WILL CHANGE)’

Kate Stewart, Director of Programmes at Power to Change, said: “(EMAIL US FOR A QUOTE)”

(INSERT A SHORT PARAGRAPH ABOUT NEXT STEPS AND ANY CALL TO ACTION FOR READERS SUCH AS VISITING A WEBSITE, DONATING, VOLUNTEERING ETC).

The Community Business Fund offers grants between £50,000 and £300,000 to existing community businesses, based in England. Grants are designed to help community businesses to grow and become more financially sustainable. For further information follow [this link](https://www.powertochange.org.uk/get-support/programmes/community-business-fund/).

**ENDS**

**Notes to editors**

**About (NAME OF YOUR COMMUNITY BUSINESS)**

(GIVE A SHORT DESCRIPTION OF WHAT YOUR ORGANISATION DOES AND INCLUDE CONTACT DETAILS FOR JOURNALISTS, AND A WEBSITE LINK IF YOU HAVE ONE)

**About Power to Change**

Power to Change is the independent trust that supports community businesses in England.

Community businesses are locally rooted, community-led, trade for community benefit and make life better for local people. The sector owns assets worth £890m, and comprises 9,000 community businesses across England who employ 33,600 people. (Source: Community Business Market 2019)

From pubs to libraries; shops to bakeries; swimming pools to solar farms; community businesses are creating great products and services, providing employment and training and transforming lives. Power to Change received its endowment from the National Lottery Community Fund in 2015.

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**About The National Lottery Community Fund**

We are the largest community funder in the UK – we’re proud to award money raised by National Lottery players to communities across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Since June 2004, we have made over 200,000 grants and awarded over £9 billion to projects that have benefited millions of people.

We are passionate about funding great ideas that matter to communities and make a difference to people’s lives. At the heart of everything we do is the belief that when people are in the lead, communities thrive. Thanks to the support of National Lottery players, our funding is open to everyone. We’re privileged to be able to work with the smallest of local groups right up to UK-wide charities, enabling people and communities to bring their ambitions to life.