



# COMMUNITY BENEFIT

Cossans Solar & BESS Development has committed to an annual Community Benefit Fund of £500 for every megawatt (MW) of export capacity on site, equating to £25,000 per annum for the 40-year project life.

This offer of a community fund is not part of the planning application and is not a material consideration in the decision-making process.

We are dedicated to collaborating closely with the communities near our proposed Solar and Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) developments. Our goal is to ensure that community benefits are effectively used to tackle local challenges and are managed and distributed according to the community's wants and needs as much as possible.

The local community, and its representatives, will decide how these funds are allocated. We welcome ideas on projects/ initiatives that would help support local families.

**Ideas from other similar projects have included:**

- **Subsidised rural bus routes**
- **Grants to help apprenticeships with local companies**
- **Help with power bills for struggling families and pensioners**

**Please include your ideas on the feedback forms.**

## THE COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP

We invited the Forfar and Glamis community councils to appoint representatives for a Community Liaison Group. Comprising six members, this group will serve as a vital connection between BLC Energy and the community during the planning phase of this proposed development.

Through this collaboration, we will identify priorities for the management and distribution of the Community Benefit Fund and work together to address any concerns or issues raised by local residents.