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Prime Minister Theresa May's statement on the liberation of the last Daeshheld territory.

News story: Charity chosen to deliver £200m Youth Endowment Fund to tackle violence

Home Secretary Sajid Javid has appointed a charitable foundation to help deliver a £200m Youth Endowment Fund — part of the government's long term plan to tackle serious violence.

The fund will support programmes and community partnerships working with children at risk of being drawn into crime and violence.

It will be run independently by charity Impetus, working in partnership with the Early Intervention Foundation and the Social Investment Business across England and Wales.

This focus on long-term early intervention complements the government's decisive action to support the police to tackle the immediate challenge of knife crime. Last week, a further £100m was committed to support forces with high levels of violent crime to take immediate action. This is on top of the additional funding of up to £970m that policing is already due to receive from April from the Government and Council Tax.

Prime Minister Theresa May said:

Tackling serious violence requires a cross-society approach, and early intervention is vital to protect young people from being groomed by gangs and drawn into crime.

We all need to work together to stop further tragedies. This fund will support important work in the community to prevent vulnerable children and young people from falling into a life of drugs, gang culture and violence.

Home Secretary Sajid Javid said:

Intervening early in the lives of vulnerable children and young people is a central part of our approach to tackling serious violence.

It's vital we do everything we can to equip these youngsters with the skills and resilience they need to lead positive lives and prevent them from offending in the first place.

Our £200m Youth Endowment Fund is a key part of this approach and will help us tackle the root cause of this scourge.

It will work with local communities to ensure that support reaches those at most risk, diverting them away from crime and violence to lead fulfilling lives.

In addition to the £200m injection, Impetus will work with other funders to seek to grow the fund to a potential £300m through donations and investments.

Impetus is a charity focused on transforming the lives of young people from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Delivered over ten years, the fund will support the public health approach to tackling serious violence and in which a statutory duty will shortly be open for consultation.

CEO of Impetus Andy Ratcliffe said:

This is a significant and sustained investment that puts prevention at the heart of efforts to tackle youth crime and violence.

We need to be ambitious if we're to tackle this issue — that means early intervention to stop children and young people getting themselves into serious trouble.

The Youth Endowment Fund will be working with front line organisations to provide the support they need to put young people on the right track.

Impetus plans to launch the first funding round, a general open call round, with the aim of awarding the first round of grants in the autumn.

In addition, the fund will be used to evaluate the impact of interventions so that the most effective ones can be scaled up and delivered more widely.

Combining strong law enforcement with early intervention underpins the Serious Violence Strategy's commitment. By investing in preventative initiatives young people will be provided with the tools, support and opportunity to live violence-free lives.

CEO of the Early Intervention Foundation Dr. Jo Casebourne said:

It is so important that the Youth Endowment Fund has been established with evidence and evaluation at its heart.

This long term, strategic approach will allow us to invest in more of the services and support that have already been shown to work in reducing the risk of young people becoming involved in antisocial and criminal behaviour, and to test a range of promising and innovative approaches.

CEO of Social Investment Business Nick Temple said:

The Youth Endowment Fund provides a generational opportunity to tackle the causes of violence amongst children and young people.

Our unique approach is one which combines robust evidence, dedicated and expert support to organisations and local areas, and a proven ability to manage high quality grants programmes.

Press release: James Brokenshire announces over £36 million for the Great British Coast

- People living in coastal communities set to benefit from new investment and economic growth
- 70 projects from Cornwall to Cumbria receive a total of more than £36 million
- Government on track to invest over £200 million in the Great British Coast by 2020

Seventy projects up and down the Great British Coast have been awarded a total of over £36 million from a UK government fund to help develop and improve tourist attractions, create jobs and promote socio-economic growth.

This major injection of funding for coastal communities will go towards supporting innovative businesses, protecting historic buildings, new museums and restoration of much-loved coastal heritage sites.

This latest investment represents 26 awards from the fifth round of the government's Coastal Communities Fund and 44 awards from the third phase of

the Coastal Revival Fund in 2018-19. It comes on top of over £180 million from both funds invested in more than 350 projects so far across the UK.

The 26 Coastal Communities Fund projects announced today (23 March 2019) are forecast collectively to support over 15,000 jobs, and attract up to £40 million in additional investment from public and private sector sources.

Communities Secretary, Rt Hon James Brokenshire MP said:

I am determined to support investment and development of our coastal communities and create an economy that works for everyone as we prepare for Brexit and beyond.

All of the ambitious projects receiving funding today were designed and developed by local people who know what will make the biggest difference to their areas.

The sheer range of ideas demonstrate the potential of our coastal communities and will all create good jobs, boost growth and improve people's lives now and in the future.

Coastal Communities Minister, Jake Berry MP said:

This is an investment in the future of our coastal communities which builds on their rich heritage and huge potential.

The world-class attractions and innovative businesses supported by the Coastal Communities Fund and the Coastal Revival Fund will increase tourism, encourage investment and ensure people thrive up and down the Great British Coast.

Today's investment in coastal communities builds on the government's commitment to ensure people have the opportunities to prosper no matter where they live.

The government recently announced the <u>Stronger Towns Fund</u>, a £1.6 billion investment which will enable new Town Deals across England, and the delivery of locally led projects creating new jobs, providing further training to help people gain valuable skills for employment, and boosting local growth.

Further information

Some of the successful projects to receive funds include:

Bord Waalk — (Northumbrian dialect for Bird Walk) — National Bird Sculpture Trail — Amble Development Trust, Northumberland (Coastal Communities Fund)

£396,000 awarded to the Bord Waalk — National Bird Sculpture Trail in Amble to create a bird themed sculpture trail of national significance to build on

the highly successful Harbour Village project and raise the profile of Amble as a tourist destination.

Connecting Cumbria's Hidden Coast — Copeland Borough Council, Cumbria (Coastal Communities Fund)

£1.06 million awarded to a project to improve visitor infrastructure, facilities and activities along Cumbria's 'hidden' coast to create new visitor demand and enhance the coastal destination offer.

Blackpool Museum Project - The AMUSEUM, Blackpool City Council, Lancashire (Coastal Communities Fund)

£1.75 million awarded to deliver the AMUSEUM — Britain's first museum telling the story of Blackpool and its role in the development of British popular entertainment and the great British seaside holiday.

SeaGrown — putting Scarborough at the heart of the English Seaweed Industry — SeaGrown Ltd, Scarborough, Yorkshire (Coastal Communities Fund)

£472,000 awarded to establish England's first commercial seaweed hatchery, cultivation site and outreach centre in Scarborough, driving economic growth by creating sustainable jobs in sectors currently offering few opportunities in the area.

Seafront Improvement — New Forest District Council, Milford-on-Sea (Coastal Revival Fund)

£50,000 awarded to implement Seafront Improvement (promenade access works) for improved coastal protection and coastal access along a 240 metre frontage.

Salcombe Jubilee Pier Revival — South Hams District Council, Salcombe (Coastal Revival Fund)

£50,000 awarded to conduct work to prevent further structural deterioration of the pier and to undertake work to promote its historical value to the many people that use it.

Projects to receive funding

The full list of funding recipients can be viewed below:

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The Coastal Communities Fund (CCF) was introduced in 2012 and supports projects in the UK delivering sustainable growth and jobs in coastal areas.

The Coastal Revival Fund (CRF) was introduced in 2015 to help coastal areas bring at risk heritage and community assets back into economic use. Applications to the current round of CRF were invited in summer 2018.

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The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Philip Hammond's speech at the Annual Asian Business Awards.