



## UPDATE REPORT 2020-2021

The Social Investment Fund LBG (SIF) was established as a charitable company in April 2020. Its purpose is to use both public and privately donated funds to invest in the third sector and improve joint working between the government and the third sector.

This report focuses on SIF's activities from incorporation to the end of 2021. During this period SIF launched the Covid-19 Community Charity Appeal, the Small Grants Programme and the Major Grants Programme. Through these, SIF awarded just over £2.15 million and aims to provide valuable support to the whole Bailiwick community.

SIF's board comprises Jurat Stephen Jones as Chair, Bethan Haines, Steve Wakelin and the Very Reverend Tim Barker, who were appointed as shadow board members in 2019 and became directors upon incorporation. Susie Crowder was also appointed but resigned in March 2021. Rachel Copeland and Andrew Ozanne were appointed as directors in May 2021.

### COVID-19 COMMUNITY CHARITY APPEAL

After incorporation, SIF immediately needed to reprioritise its strategy to respond to the COVID-19 crisis. In consultation with third sector partners such as the Association of Guernsey Charities and Guernsey Community Foundation, it was agreed that SIF was best placed to launch a public appeal to support local charities badly affected by the pandemic and which provided support to the community during the crisis.

The resulting Covid-19 Community Charity Appeal was incredibly successful, with over £467,000 raised by generous public donations from individuals, businesses and charitable



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trusts. This included a donation from the National Emergencies Trust which worked with SIF as a local partner to distribute funding.

SIF made a commitment to match fund the total amount raised from the public with its own funds if needed. Over £553,000 was distributed to a wide range of charitable organisations, filling serious gaps in funding for many charities, and providing funds for additional services to several that were involved in the front-line response to the pandemic.

Of the 60 Appeal grants awarded in 2020 and 2021 in response to the two lockdowns, 82% were towards loss of income and 18% towards services supporting the community through the pandemic.

One of the largest grants awarded by the Appeal was to Safer, for £24,879, towards the costs of an Independent Domestic Violence Advisor to provide additional support as a result of increased domestic abuse victims during lockdown. SIF was pleased to fund 50% of the amount needed by Safer with the other 50% awarded by the Lloyds Bank Foundation for the Channel Islands. Working in partnership meant that Safer was able to swiftly obtain the full funding needed to provide vital support.

The Guernsey Sports Commission was awarded a total of £40,000 towards a Sports Recovery Fund which benefited over 20 sporting organisations hit hard by the pandemic.

Some charities received funding for new initiatives during lockdown, such as Men's Shed Guernsey which ran 'Shedcast' sessions for its members to reduce isolation, Les Cotils for its 'Food for Families' initiative and the partnership project 'Stay Connected' which enabled older and vulnerable people to keep in touch with family and services during lockdown.

Several organisations were awarded grants which, along with supporting loss of income, provided additional funding for PPE and other equipment needed for Covid-19. These included Choices, the Cheshire Home, St John Ambulance Guernsey and Citizens Advice Guernsey. All of these organisations needed to keep running during lockdown, providing key services to the community.

Support was provided not just to Guernsey charities: Alderney Wildlife Trust, Alderney Cinema Club, Alderney Bird Observatory and Alderney Football Association all received support after being hard hit. No Sark charities applied for funding.

A full schedule of Covid-19 Appeal Grants awarded in 2020 & 2021 is attached as Appendix I.



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## MAJOR GRANTS PROGRAMME

Running the Covid-19 Appeal delayed SIF's standard grants programmes from being opened, nevertheless, both the Major and Small Grants Programmes were launched in early 2021.

The Major Grants Programme seeks to support the financial sustainability of the Bailiwick's vital charitable sector, targeting funding towards organisations and projects which are most needed or demonstrate measurable benefits for our community.

Charities must demonstrate how they will meet SIF's outcomes, which broadly focus on people in our Bailiwick community, on the services and support they need, or are of benefit to our community:

- Improving the lives of people with specific needs, disadvantages or vulnerabilities
- Employment, education or training opportunities
- The protection of our natural environment, culture and heritage
- Improved health and wellbeing for our community
- An inclusive community, which challenges the barriers causing disadvantage or discrimination

Applicants can apply for grants over £25,000 towards running costs and salaries, capital costs or multi-year funding and applicants must be registered charities or NPOs operating within or to benefit the Bailiwick of Guernsey.

Recipients are expected to demonstrate measurable impact against outcomes by proposing appropriate outputs which are then detailed within grant agreements.

Applications from the first major grants round were received from 24 charities, totalling £3,376,386. Of these, 14 organisations were awarded funding totalling over £1.3 million.

The majority of recipients have received multi-year grants to enable the continuation of key services, with some organisations receiving funds to develop, increase or introduce new services, responding to different community needs.

Citizens Advice Guernsey and Bright Beginnings (Every Child our Future) have been awarded £166,000 and £150,000 respectively to cover salary costs for key staff over three years.

Guernsey Alcohol Advisory Service has received £80,000 support for two years to support work at their Rehabilitation Dry House, Carers Guernsey £100,000 for two years to support outreach work and Autism Guernsey £80,000 to cover the costs of specialist psychological, therapeutic, counselling and sensory integration services for two years.



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In-dependence has been awarded £51,200 for a new 12-month post plus associated costs to raise awareness of services for at risk, problem (adult) gamblers and their families and to respond to gambling referrals offering the appropriate intervention.

The Youth Commission has been awarded the largest grant of £300,000 over three years to introduce a new programme focusing on an early help approach to mental health for young people in secondary schools, which will start later this year.

Two further grants have been awarded to improve access to facilities so that more individuals and groups can participate in community activities. The Styx Centre has been given a grant of £25,000 towards the purchase of an adjacent field to the Styx Centre to enable the redevelopment of the parking and play areas and to improve access. Guernsey Rovers AC LBG will receive £27,500 to improve access to the Southwest frontage of the building and provide a bespoke area for training, learning and education for community groups and charities.

The Guernsey Disability Alliance has been awarded £80,000 towards salaries and running costs for two years, along with Guernsey Community Savings receiving two years' support with a grant of £53,300.

Two years support of £151,000 has also been provided to Guernsey Employment Trust to cover salary costs for two Employment Support Officers.

Wigwam has also received support to continue the work of the Family Support Coordinator with a grant of £58,046 for three years.

A further grant was awarded later in 2021 to Guernsey Mind for £74,000 towards core funding for the delivery of the charity's overall strategic plan.

A full schedule of Major Grants awarded in 2021 is attached as Appendix II or can be viewed at <https://sif.gg/grant-programmes/major-grants-programme/>



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## SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

In January 2021 the Small Grants Programme was launched to effectively replace the Christmas Lottery Grants that were previously administered by the Association of Guernsey Charities.

Under the Small Grants Programme, applicants can apply for a grant of up to £25,000 to put towards one-off projects, capital expenses, or ongoing expenses (such as salaries and general running costs) of up to a year's duration.

Applications are open to registered charities or NPOs operating within or to benefit the Bailiwick of Guernsey and need to align with SIF's outcomes, which are the same as those of the Major Grants Programme.

More than £200,000 was donated to 18 different charities and organisations benefiting the Bailiwick, having received 44 applications totalling £578,514. SIF works in partnership with Guernsey Community Foundation on this programme, with GCF coordinating applications and SIF making the decisions on funding.

A grant of £7,500 to Access for All, coordinated by the Guernsey Disability Alliance, supported the production of videos, factsheets and training on access requirements and reasonable adjustments for the proposed disability legislation.

£6,000 was awarded to Guernsey Caring for Ex-Offenders to purchase equipment for activity workshops so that ex-offenders can learn new skills.

Headway received £8,500 to cover rent for 2021 which allowed the vital support it provides to survivors of brain injuries to continue.

Larger grants of up to £25,000 were made to support the running costs of charities providing key services such as the Cheshire Home, Mencap and Relate Guernsey.

Smaller amounts were also awarded, for example Alderney Performing Arts Festival receiving £3,000 towards running costs, and Cystic Fibrosis Guernsey £650 to purchase five Bluetooth pulse oximeters to support those people living with the condition locally.

New initiatives also found support such as the Clean Earth Trust, with a grant to employ a part time manager for one year to develop the Repair Café initiative and the Guernsey Foster and Adoption Association, which ran training courses to support those who care for children and young people who have suffered trauma. The Guernsey Badminton Association was awarded funding to make the badminton hall's changing rooms, toilets and entrance more accessible.



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A full schedule of Small Grants awarded in 2021 is attached as Appendix III or can be viewed at <https://sif.gg/grant-programmes/small-grants-programme/>

## RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Funding for SIF's grants programmes came initially from the Guernsey net proceeds of the Channel Islands Lottery. In 2022 SIF received its first funding from the Guernsey Probate Registry and in future, other sources of States and previously unavailable funding will be earmarked for SIF's grants programmes such as seized assets and dormant funds.

SIF has recently launched a new grants management system which now enables all grants applications to be completed online. The system also tracks applications and grant recipients, facilitating reporting and management for applicants, recipients and the SIF team.

SIF has also launched its new website [www.sif.gg](http://www.sif.gg) which links to the online application system.

December 2021 saw the second round of Small Grants applications open, with £223,251 awarded to 23 organisations – see <https://sif.gg/grant-programmes/small-grants-programme/> for details. A further round of small grants was launched in June 2022 with recipients to be announced soon.

Recipients of SIF's first round of 2022 major grants will also be announced soon, with a further round of applications opening at the end of September.

A full update on all of SIF's 2022 grants will be published at the end of the year.



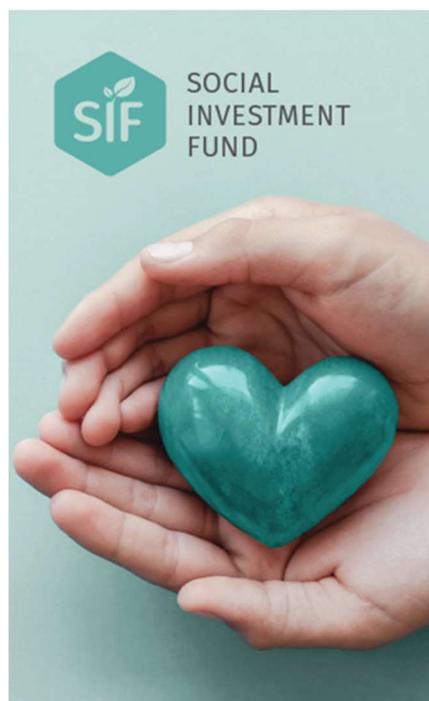
## THANK YOU

The Directors of SIF would like to now record formally their sincere thanks to all those who donated to the Covid 19 Community Charity Appeal, which benefited from generous public donations from individuals, businesses and charitable trusts. This includes donations from the National Emergencies Trust which worked with SIF as a local partner to distribute funding.

Thanks also go to the Association of Guernsey Charities which supported the Appeal and the sector during the pandemic, and also the development of SIF before its formation. SIF will continue to liaise with the AGC over the needs of the Bailiwick's charitable sector.

SIF works closely with the Guernsey Community Foundation (GCF) and the Lloyds Bank Foundation for the Channel Islands to coordinate on grants being awarded. Some co-funded grants have been awarded to maximise the funds available and we look forward to continuing our partnership work. We are also grateful to GCF for assisting us with our Small Grants Programme. SIF also coordinates with other Bailiwick grant givers and we are glad that these relationships are helping target funding where it is most needed.

SIF's partnership with the States of Guernsey is valued greatly and we would like to thank the Policy & Resources finance and executive teams; States payments team; States communications team; CI lottery team; and other officers who have provided support to SIF.





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Appendix I: Covid-19 Community Charity Appeal Recipients

	<b>Organisation/ Group</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1	Bright Beginnings	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19 and to support the salaries of the Children's Centre staff	£8,624
2	Stay Connected (We All Matter Eh? / Guernsey Disability Alliance LBG)	IT equipment for older people/those with long term health conditions to stay connected during lockdown/isolation/shielding	£5,000
3	Les Cotils Charitable Company LBG	Towards food costs for the 'Food for Families' project which has been supporting some of the families worst affected by the crisis with deliveries of home cooked meals.	£5,000
4	Lihou Trust	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£7,000
5	Choices LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19 and PPE costs	£12,000
6	Guernsey Cheshire Home	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19 and PPE costs	£12,355
7	Health Connections LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£5,000
8	Les Bourgs Hospice	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£12,500
9	Autism Guernsey LBG	To provide IT resources to support people with autism in the community online while face to face contact is restricted, and to replace IT equipment for staff.	£7,988
10	The Guernsey Sylvans Sports Club LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£5,000
11	Alderney Football Association	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£2,000
12	Vale Recreation Club LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£4,000
13	The Little Chapel Foundation	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£20,000
14	St James	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£20,000
15	St Saviours Community Centre LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£10,000
16	Guernsey Sports Commission LBG	Sports Recovery Fund to support several sports organisations which lost income as a result of Covid-19	£25,000
17	GSPCA	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£20,000
18	Guernsey Sports Commission LBG	Sports Recovery Fund further award	£15,000



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19	Safer LBG	50% of funding for an Independent Domestic Violence Advisor to be contracted for one year as a result of increased domestic abuse victims during lockdown. Other 50% to be funded by Lloyds Bank Foundation for the Channel Islands.	£24,879
20	Guernsey Rovers Athletic Club LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19 to support the three main sports operating from the club: football, archery and cricket	£12,000
21	Alderney Wildlife Trust	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£3,000
22	Guernsey Island Amateur Athletic Club LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£3,000
23	Guernsey Indoor Bowling Association LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£3,000
24	Millennium Tapestry Trust	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£3,000
25	Eldad Elim Church: After School Club	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£3,000
26	Alderney Bird Observatory Ltd	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£3,000
27	Relate Guernsey Ltd	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£10,979.55
28	Friends of KGV Ltd	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£13,500
29	Guernsey Cricket Board LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£10,000
30	Guernsey Football Association LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£25,000
31	Guernsey Football Club LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£20,000
32	Guernsey Rugby Association LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£35,000
33	Little Buttons Pre-school Charitable Trust	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£2,914.40
34	Men's Shed Guernsey	Shedcast sessions during lockdown - to reduce isolation for members	£1,700
35	Guernsey Alcohol Advisory Service LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£15,000
36	Alderney Cinema Club	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£4,500
37	Liberate	Towards loss of sponsorship income as a result of Covid-19	£2,000
38	St Stephen's Community Centre	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£3,250
39	Guernsey Citizens Advice Bureau	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19 and additional costs incurred	£20,000
40	Guernsey Yacht Club LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£8,500



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41	Alderney Wildlife Trust	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£5,310
42	St John's Residential Home	Towards additional costs as a result of Covid-19	£5,307
43	St John Ambulance & Rescue Service	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19 and towards additional costs	£17,500
44	St Pierre du Bois Church	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£11,000
45	The Guernsey Botanical Trust LBG	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£5,000
46	Guernsey Sea Cadets	Towards loss of income as a result of Covid-19	£1,000
47	Les Cotils	Food for Families - lockdown #2 2021	£7,155.45
48	St Anne's Preschool Playgroup	Loss of income	£4,000.00
49	St John's Residential Home	Towards additional costs of lockdown #2 2021	£14,884.00
50	Health Connections (2)	Loss of income - lockdown #2 2021	£6,000.00
		Stay Connected project - devices	£2,500.00
52	Guernsey Hockey Club LBG	Loss of income - lockdown #2 2021	£6,000.00
53	St Matthews Community Centre (Cobo Community Centre)	Loss of income - lockdown #2 2021	£6,161.70
54	Amalgamated Boxing Club	Loss of income - lockdown #2 2021	£1,400.00
55	Caritas	Loss of income - lockdown #2 2021	£652.00
56	Cheshire Home (2)	Loss of income - lockdown #2 2021	£3,506.00
57	St Stephen's Community Centre (2)	Loss of income - lockdown #2 2021	£3,694.00
58	The Little Chapel (2)	Loss of income - lockdown #2 2022	£1,236.00
59	Guernsey Photography Festival	Loss of sponsorship income - for 2021 Festival	£5,000.00
60	Les Bourgs Hospice (2)	Loss of income - lockdown #2 2021	£20,000.00
61	Guernsey Photography Festival (2)	Loss of sponsorship income - for 2021 Festival travel costs	£2,954.27
<b>TOTAL FUNDING AWARDED</b>			<b>£553,950.37</b>



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Appendix II: Major Grants Recipients 2021

	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1	In-dependence	A new 12-month post to raise awareness of services for at risk, problem (adult) gamblers and their families and to respond to gambling referrals offering the appropriate intervention. The post holder will also succeed the Criminal Justice Substance Worker	£51,200
2	Citizens Advice Guernsey	To cover the salary costs for 3 years for the CEO and Office Coordinator	£166,000
3	Bright Beginnings (Every Child Our Future)	Towards the salary and operating costs of the Children's Centre for 3 years	£150,000
4	Carers Guernsey	To support outreach work for 2 years	£100,000
5	Guernsey Alcohol Advisory Service	To cover the salary costs of the Rehabilitation Dry House Manager for 2 years	£80,000
6	Autism Guernsey	To cover the salary costs of specialist psychological, therapeutic, counselling and sensory integration services for 2 years	£80,000
7	Youth Commission for Guernsey and Alderney	Towards the early help approach to mental health in secondary schools programme - for staffing costs, training and resources	£300,000
8	Guernsey Disability Alliance	To cover the salary costs of the Partnership Director for 2 years plus a contribution to running costs	£80,000
9	Wigwam Support Group	To cover the salary costs of the Family Support Coordinator for 3 years	£58,046
10	Guernsey Employment Trust	To cover the salary costs of 2 Employment Support Officers for 2 years each	£151,000
11	Guernsey Community Savings	To cover the salary costs of the Manager for 2 years	£53,300
12	Styx Centre	To purchase the adjacent field to the Styx Centre to enable the redevelopment of the parking and play areas and to improve access	£25,000
13	Guernsey Rovers AC LBG	To improve access to the South West frontage of the building and provide a bespoke area for training, learning and education for charities/community groups	£27,500
14	Pollinator Project	Co-funding to employ a part time Biodiversity Advisor for 2 years	£19,000
15	Guernsey Mind	Support towards running costs to achieve strategic objectives	£74,000
<b>TOTAL FUNDING AWARDED</b>			<b>£1,415,046</b>



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Appendix III: Small Grants Recipients 2021

	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1	GO	Staff uniforms and development of 'GO online' service	£10,000
2	Guernsey Cheshire Home	To cover utilities costs	£25,000
3	Headway	To cover rent for 2021	£8,500
4	Guernsey Badminton Association LBG	Accessible changing room facility, wheelchair ramp and two toilets	£11,000
5	Guernsey Caring for Ex-Offenders	Equipment for activity workshops for ex-offenders to learn new skills	£6,000
6	CLIC Sargent	Towards the costs of supporting Bailiwick families to stay at Jean's House, a "Home from Home" CLIC Haven in Southampton	£1,924
7	Relate Guernsey	Towards administrative and supervision staff costs	£25,000
8	Alderney Performing Arts Festival	Towards festival running and equipment costs	£3,000
9	Guernsey Mencap	Towards the rental costs of a respite flat which provides respite to adults with a learning disability, for 3 years	£21,000
10	GROW Limited	To purchase plant materials and equipment for the 2021 growing season	£10,000
11	Cystic Fibrosis Guernsey	To purchase five bluetooth pulse oximeters	£650
12	Access For All	Production of videos, factsheets and training on access requirements and reasonable adjustments for the proposed disability legislation	£7,500
13	The Clean Earth Trust	To employ a Manager to run the Repair Café Project for one year	£21,343
14	Men's Shed Guernsey	Towards staff costs	£15,000
15	Arts for Impact	Two InShape art programmes	£10,800
16	Guernsey Foster and Adoption Association	Training courses to support those who care for children and young people who have suffered trauma	£5,000
17	Guernsey Counselling Service	Salary costs for Manager for one year	£15,000
18	St Sampsons High School	Breakfast club for pupils on the SEND register; to cover one school year's worth of breakfasts for 40 pupils	£3,387
<b>TOTAL FUNDING AWARDED</b>			<b>£200,104</b>