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| AMMAN VALLEY RAILWAY SOCIETY | Cwaun Cae Gurwen "Twin Viaducts Visitor Centre" & "Paths & Ponds Cwmgors" Scheme | This project, based and delivered across two sites in Gwaun Cae Gurwen, Carmarthenshire, will refurbish a disused junior school to create a visitor's centre and excavate four large ponds on marshy wasteland to redevelop old railway land into a usable resource. The Twin Viaducts Visitor Centre (TVVC) will provide a tourist information centre, cafe with internet access, craft work space, arts exhibition space, charity shop and retail outlet, library and book exchange, exhibition of model dioramas of important local assets, local heritage artefact refurbishment and space for the model railway club. The Path and Ponds Cwmgors (PPC) scheme will combine four ponds into one large pond, redevelop pathways, build a wildlife lookout, allow fishing of the ponds, rowboat hire and a pet cemetery. | Gwaun Cae Gurwen, Carmarthenshire |
| Ashfield Community Enterprise Limited | Ashfield Community Enterprise Limited | This project based in Howey, Powys, would purchase, refurbish and develop a local nursery site to offer activities and growing facilities to the local community. It would also create two enterprises based on food production through local outlets and a mobile catering business, and provide demonstrations of low tech sustainable living options. The project aims to increase local economic activity by providing employment and skills development, create a stronger sense of community identity and reduce isolation. The enterprising aspect of this project will come from produce grown on the nursery that will be sold under an Ashfield brand through local food co-operatives, outlets and a mobile catering business. | Howey, Powys |
| Assynt Community Association | Lochinver Mission | The Assynt Community Association would create a Marine Life and Sea Heritage Centre to attract new visitors and commemorate the maritime heritage of the area. The centre, made from a redundant fisherman's mission centre, would have an adjoining cafe and would incorporate a lobster hatchery, marine archive and touch pools to teach visitors about the types of fish that can be found in Scottish waters. On-site bunkhouse accommodation would also be available to enable researchers, youth groups and tourists to stay at the facility. The project would boost the village's economy and improve local employment opportunities and also plans to donate surplus profits gained from the enterprise to local community organisations. | Lochinver, Sutherland |
| Ballygally Community Development Association | Establishing a Social Enterprise and Community Hall | This group in Antrim would use funding to build a retail shop and community hall in the village main street, transforming an eyesore into a vibrant social enterprise. The village does not have a shop or post office and locals have to do a round trip of 10 miles to get to the nearest shop in Larne. If successful they would build a two storey facility with a shop on the ground floor and a community hall on the second floor. In the developed facility, there would be a range of services for local people including drama for young people and IT classes for older people. The shop would have post office facilities, an ATM, Internet access and tourist information. | Ballygally, County Antrim |

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| Barge Inn Community Project | Barge Inn Community Project | A Honeystreet village focal point, the Barge Inn pub, is up for sale and is at risk of closure. Barge Inn Community Project hopes to purchase the lease of the pub and operate it as a profitable social enterprise. The village has already seen a number of its amenities close down, including the shop and post office. The project would rejuvenate the village by creating a community hub. It would also help support tourism in Honeystreet, which is well known because of the local crop circle phenomena and popular canal system. Complementary enterprises such as a village shop and craft and drama workshops would also operate within the pub. Employment opportunities would be created, as well as training for people with learning disabilities. | Honey Street, Wiltshire |
| Belchford Ahead | The Belchford Open Area and Natural Burial Project | In the village of Belchford, the group Belchford Ahead want to purchase and develop a community recreational area that would benefit the whole village, improve the local environment and provide a way of reducing the village's carbon footprint. As well as including a wildlife area, hedge mazes and picnic areas the project also hopes to hold outdoor concerts at the site. The area would include a tree planted section to provide a source of sustainable timber for firewood and in response to the village graveyard reaching capacity and to generate revenue, part of the site would also be used as a green burial site. Currently in the village there is a lack of services available and there is no local shop, school, post office or recreation area. The Belchford Ahead project would hope to create a community focus and outdoor space for everyone to enjoy. The tree planting and natural burial sections of the project would also provide an opportunity to provide employment and training opportunities for local people. | Belchford, Lincolnshire |
| Belleek & District Community Partnership | Belleek Youth Hostel and International Language School | This group would use funding to create a Youth Hostel and International Language School in the heart of the village. The area is very isolated and the project would create a vibrant social economy project. As well as bringing in extra revenue and creating jobs the village would have a fantastic building that older and younger people in the village can use for activities. This would include a youth drop in centre and community kitchen where people could meet. An ICT suite would be relocated and hostel guests would have access to the Internet. | Belleek, Fermanagh |
| Caistor Arts and Heritage Centre Group | Caistor Arts and Heritage Centre | This group have bid for Village SOS funding to refurbish a local disused building to create the Caistor Arts and Heritage Centre that would benefit the local community by encouraging tourism, providing employment opportunities and generating income. The centre would provide workshop space for local artists and a place to sell and exhibit their work. It would also house a number of other rooms and training areas including a training kitchen to teach people how to make and sell affordable, healthy Lincolnshire food. As a historic place with many historical and listed buildings Caistor Arts and Heritage Centre would hope to build on Caistor's strengths and attract more visitors from the local areas and from further afield. There are also plans for the centre to also include a cinema and library service. | Caistor, Lincolnshire |

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| Catrine Community Trust | Catrine Community Renewables (CCR) | This group in Catrine, East Ayrshire, plans to establish a recycling facility for used cooking oil. The project would reduce the carbon footprint of Catrine and have numerous benefits for the local community, which struggles with high levels of unemployment. Through the facility, cooking oil from local businesses would be processed, used as transport fuel for the local community and as fuel for generators that would be used to heat local businesses and community venues. Profits made would be used to provide training opportunities for local residents and the project would also buy a number of electric cars for the community to use. The creation of the cooking oil recycling facility is part of a wider goal to create a range of renewable energy facilities in the village, including a hydro-electric plant with attached visitors centre, and a wind turbine. | Catrine, East Ayrshire |
| Cerne Mill Trust | Cerne Mill | The Cerne Mill Trust based in Cerne Abbas, Dorset, are looking to rebuild and reinstate Cerne Mill to resurrect the processing and production trades in the village, which is famous for its chalk giant known locally as the Rude Man. Water diverted from the River Cerne would be used to generate hydroelectric power to drive the mill which will then process locally produced raw materials such as apples, pears, wheat, corn and barley, to be used in baking and cider making. It is hoped that the products would then be sold in the village shop, cafe and local pubs. As well as generating jobs within the village, it is anticipated that several skill-based apprenticeships would be created for young people. And the surplus electricity generated would be used to power village amenities such as the school and church. | Cerne Abbas, Dorset |
| Coniston Institute and Ruskin Museum | Coniston Institute Transformation Project | Coniston Institute and The Ruskin Museum Trust's Coniston Institute Transformation Scheme plans to imaginatively transform the interior of Coniston Institute into a series of attractive inter-connecting multi-use rooms. When complete, the building will host a programme of seminars, conferences and lectures capitalising on Coniston's literary, cultural and geological heritage. Film screenings, drama, music, art & craft exhibitions, book fairs and farmers' markets will also be of interest to the 250,000 tourists who visit the village each year, and will offer subsidised, free or peppercorn lets for community groups using the much-loved venue. | Coniston, Cumbria |
| EQUUS SOLUTIONS LTD | EQUUS PROJECT | This project would create a new indoor all-weather riding arena for use by the local community which also acts as a venue for delivering an alternative therapy project for people experiencing mental health problems. The Equine Assisted Psychotherapy project (Equus) would work with mental health agencies across Cornwall to identify people that could benefit from the project, which could include young people excluded from school, vulnerable adults, families with relationship problems and combat veterans. The therapy takes place 'on the ground' and involves setting up activities involving the horses which help people to open up and engage in the therapy process. The scheme would create new jobs within the community and enable the Community Interest Company to deliver their existing residential riding holiday school all year round. | St Hilary, Cornwall |

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| Future Newstead | Future Newstead Enterprise | The Future Newstead project in Newstead, Nottinghamshire, in partnership with Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire, would transform a 220-acre site of former colliery spoil heaps into a thriving, multi-use Country Park and resource for the local community. Since the colliery closed in 1987 the area has naturally matured into a regionally significant haven for wildlife, but is slowly being spoiled by vehicles driving through the site. The Future Newstead project focuses around creating three main attractions: a county sculpture park, which will showcase sculptures created by local artists and community groups; a weekend festival offering concerts and outdoor performances; and a combined visitor centre and café, built using eco-friendly materials, and sustainable energy through renewables. | Newstead, Nottinghamshire |
| Hilgay Parish Growers | Hilgay Village Green | Hilgay suffers from pockets of deprivation and a lack of amenities. The Hilgay Village Green project would encompass a community farm, eco-friendly artisan centre and cafe. The farm would be created on a disused Greenfield site and would produce a range of organic fruits and vegetables as well as breed livestock, including chickens, goats, pigs, sheep, ducks, and fish. The Hilgay Village Green would generate employment and training opportunities in the village, where there is a shortage of skilled workers. Innovative new eco-technologies will be used to power small business units and offices at the artisan centre which will be rented to local business people. The centre will be created in a derelict property and will see a range of handcrafted goods sold there. The aim of the project is to educate residents and visitors about food production and the links with sustainable living, as well as the benefits of organic produce. The project will work closely with the local school by running trips to the farm and teaching children about producing food. | Hilgay, Norfolk |
| Kingsbury Community Shop Project | Kingsbury Community Shop Project | The Kingsbury Community Shop Project would create a community hub in the centre of the village offering a range of services including a village shop, cafe, book exchange and internet access. As well as acting as a central meeting point and shopping facility for villagers, many of whom currently have to travel outside the village to buy their groceries, the project would provide home deliveries of vital supplies for permanently or temporarily homebound residents. It would also create new jobs and a range of volunteering opportunities for people to help run the shop and cafe. Around half of the shop's supplies would be locally sourced, which would have a positive knock-on effect on other local businesses, and profits made through the project would be re-invested in local community projects. | Kingsbury Episcopi, Somerset |
| Norton Fitzwarren Village Hall | OPRA (Orchard Products Retail Association) | The OPRA (Orchard Products Retail Association) project would use the skills and expertise that have been in the village for centuries to create a profitable retail business selling produce based around locally grown orchard fruits. Products from chutneys and cakes to pies and sauces would be made by local people and sold in a new local shop and cafe, alongside other freshly grown local produce. The project would also build a centre of excellence for the study of orchard fruits which would be used for educational tours to teach people about the village's history of fruit growing. As well as creating a number new jobs and attracting more visitors to the village, the project would celebrate the village's heritage, helping to bring the community together. | Norton Fitzwarren, Somerset |

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| Shepherd's Purse | Community Bioshelter Project | The Shepherd's Purse group based in Mitcheldean, Gloucestershire, are looking to launch their Community Bioshelter Project. The group wants to create a social enterprise in the village, which is still feeling the effects of the Rank Xerox factory closure in the nineties. The enterprise would involve a new food production technology called aeroponics – which is the process of growing plants in an air or mist environment without the use of soil. This would take place inside a 10,000 square-foot greenhouse-type structure, called a Bioshelter, which would yield highly nutritious food at cheap prices. Organic fruit and vegetables would be grown inside the shelter to be fed into a local distribution networks, box schemes, farmers' markets and local shops. The scheme would provide employment, training and volunteering opportunities for local people. Other spin-off activities could include beekeeping, biodiesel production and basket making. | Mitcheldean, Gloucestershire |
| PRO-ACTIVE VISION LTD | Positive Wholesale Community Transformation | Pro-Active Vision Ltd hopes to recreate a piece of old world charm in the heart of rural Gloucestershire. The village of Berkeley, which has suffered due to a lack of transport connectivity and the closing down of Berkeley Nuclear Power Station, is in imminent need of revival. The project hopes to create a steam railway on the existing track between Sharpness, Berkeley and Berkeley Heath. The Positive Wholesale Community Transformation project would see an improved transport link which would help attract tourists to the local attractions of Berkeley Castle and the Edward Jenner museum – both located within the parameters of the village. In addition to the steam trains, the railway stations along the line would be refurbished in the old style and vintage style buses would be used to ferry tourists adding to the old world experience. This track would also cater to commercial interest by running diesel and freight trains. The project aims to help regenerate the town by attracting tourists and new businesses, in addition to improving transport links, reducing isolation and improving community cohesion. | Berkeley, Gloucestershire |
| Sustainable Allendale | Sustainable Allendale Food and Energy (SAFE) | The Sustainable Allendale Food and Energy (SAFE) project would create a food producing market garden and renewable energy plant in prime location close to the centre of the village. Greenhouses growing fresh produce would be powered by a biomass boiler, solar panels and wind turbines and any surplus energy would not go to waste, being sold to two nearby schools, a health centre, library and village hall. Local shops and pubs would buy the market garden's fruit and veg for onward sale to villagers and visitors. Employment, training and volunteering opportunities offered onsite would lead to the development of other local enterprises such as biodiesel, shared transport schemes and community-led health and social care. | Allendale, Northumberland |
| Talgarth Mill Green Energy Group | Talgarth Mill Green Energy Project | This project is based in the town of Talgarth, Powys. The project forms part of a much larger project that seeks to restore the local river bank walking routes, create a woodland management programme to preserve local woodlands and also, cut down old trees to act as a source of biomass heating and a source of fuel for the furnaces in the bakery. This phase of the overall project seeks to renovate the village's mill cottage to create a sustainable education and renewable technologies centre, with space for local enterprise and a gallery. An eco-cafe will also be established in the education centre and the old mill will be reinstated as a working flour mill, where bakery products will be produced and then sold in the local area. | Talgarth, Powys |

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| Taste Tideswell Group | Taste Tideswell | The project in the village of Tideswell, Derbyshire wants to bring local food producers together to sell their products under one brand – Taste Tideswell. By working together with existing local farmers, shops and individual producers the Taste Tideswell project hopes to sell the quality produce under a single name and promote the village as a destination for food lovers. The project also wants to increase the amount of local food that is produced by setting up a community smallholding that will provide space for allotments and small livestock and build on local culinary skills by building a community kitchen. The professional kitchen would provide a base for individuals who currently cook or bake in their homes to develop their skills and to make large quantities of their produce in order to sell it. Children from local schools would also be able to have healthy eating and cookery lessons, taught by older people in the village who could pass on their recipes and culinary expertise. | Tideswell, Derbyshire |
| The Belvoir Open Waterways Society | The Belvoir Food and Flowers Project (BFF) | Belvoir Open Waterways Society in the village of Harby in Leicestershire hopes to restore their local canal and canal side and generate new revenue from the village through selling a by-product of the clean-up process. They want to clean up Grantham canal and dredge the silt that has built up to bring the waterway back to life. Nutrients from the silt that is removed will then be extracted and turned into plant food pellets to sell and to generate profit that will be reinvested into restoring and maintaining the canal for the long term. The group also plan to renovate a derelict canal side building in which to make the product. The project would benefit everyone in the village by making the canal a pleasant place to be and returning it to the working canal and lifeblood of the village that it once was. The project also hopes to benefit local people by creating up to 10 jobs and many more volunteering opportunities as well as opportunities for young offenders to work at and contribute to the project as well. | Harby, Leicestershire |
| The Isle of Kerrera Development Trust | Kerrera Community Centre | This project is based on the Isle of Kerrera, west of Oban. The Isle of Kerrera Development Trust wants to build a multi-use community centre with accommodation above for visitors. Built in the style of an Old Inn the venue would include a meeting hall and a cafe and could be used for local projects and to host special events like weddings. A commercial kitchen will also allow local business to start up on the premises. This project would provide local job opportunities, bring the community together and also promote tourism. | Kerrera, Argyll & Bute |
| The Rea Valley Environmental Network | The Minsterley Community Resource Centre and Nursery | The former mining village of Minsterley has lost many shops and local services. The Rea Valley Environmental Network's Minsterley Community Resource Centre and Nursery project would see a new hub created in the village, which would include a coffee shop with internet access, exhibition space, as well as a village shop. This would be based in the premises of the old village shop which has closed down. Fruit and vegetables will be grown by members of the community in polytunnels located on land attached to the centre and will be sold in the shop and coffee shop. A food co-operative would also be established with villagers clubbing together to buy food from wholesalers which will be delivered to the shop. The project would also work with a local youth worker to get young people involved in developing a five year action plan to create a sustainable future for the community, where the main employer is currently a yoghurt factory. | Minsterley, Shropshire |

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| Trafford Mill | Trafford Mill | Funding would be used to preserve and develop the Grade II listed watermill lying in the valley of the River Gowy, transforming it into a working corn mill and museum demonstrating the village's rich industrial heritage. The building will also serve as an educational centre with community cafe and conference area for courses centred on the history of farming and milling in the Gowy Valley. Local people would take employment as well as enjoyment out of the transformed venue, with volunteering opportunities, work placements and training courses helping to further develop it as a community enterprise. | Mickle Trafford, Cheshire |
| Ty Talcen | Made in Myddfai (A Brand Centred Around The Herbal Tradition) | In the small rural village of Myddfai in Carmarthenshire, West Wales, villagers have plans to create a new brand - Made in Myddfai - under which they would sell locally made products that draw on the history of the area and skills of the local community. Led by local residents through village hall charity Ty Talcen, the enterprise would be based around local legends the Physicians of Myddfai, who were well-known for their work in homeopathy during the early 13th century. Local residents would grow, market and sell local herbs as medicines as well as a range of arts and crafts products such as hand-made quilts, stained-glass, pottery and fabrics that have been made by residents of the village. Products under the Made in Myddfai brand would be sold at a new outlet, which will offer a shop, tearoom and other community facilities and will be run by local volunteers. | Myddfai, Carmarthenshire |
| Upper Eskdale Development Group | Eskdalemuir Community Energy Supply | This group would provide renewable wood-powered energy to local residents, groups and commercial customers in the local community, offering a locally grown energy source that is affordable, convenient and efficient with a lower carbon footprint than fossil fuels. Initially the project would build a wood yard with a facility for air-drying split logs and a hard standing area to site processing machinery. Wood would be purchased from the Forestry Commission and then processed on site before being delivered to the local community. Once annual supply contracts were established, the project would purchase a community woodland to grow, process and supply wood fuel to sustain the local fuel supply. Longer term sustainability would be further developed via the introduction of a small scale wind, hydro or biomass project leading to a full energy service generating and selling power locally. The project would create new employment opportunities in the area, reduce fuel costs for the community, and enable the people to work together with the environment for a sustainable future. | Eskdalemuir, Dumfries and Galloway |
| West Wemyss Development Trust Steering Group | West Wemyss Eco-Energy Development | The project is based in West Wemyss in Fife. The West Wemyss Development Trust Steering Group want to turn a disused pub into a community hub with the potential to house a licensed bistro, a village shop selling local produce, meeting rooms and holiday accommodation. The group also want to create small allotments and a woodland burial site, while they are also considering the installation of wind turbines. Working together it is hoped that all strands would allow the venture to be self sustaining. | West Wemyss, Fife |