Supporting community ownership across Scotland

Scottish Land Fund

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The Scottish Land Fund supports communities to become more resilient and sustainable through the ownership and management of land and buildings.

Funded by the Scottish Government and delivered in partnership by the Big Lottery Fund and Highlands and Islands Enterprise, it offers grants of up to £1 million to help communities take ownership of the land and buildings that matter to them, as well as practical support to develop their ideas into viable projects.

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What is the Scottish Land Fund?

- dedicated support for community ownership from the Scottish Government from 2016 to 2020
- an investment of £10 million in 2017/18 to support communities wishing to explore buying land and buildings that matter to them
- support for all communities across Scotland that are community led, community controlled and defined by a geographic area
- delivered in partnership by the Big Lottery Fund and Highlands and Islands Enterprise
- overseen by an independent Committee

Communities can access Scottish Land Fund support to:

- work with a Scottish Land Fund adviser who will provide practical help and advice to develop their project
- access grants of up to £100,000 to help them develop their ideas for the land and buildings before and after acquisition
- access grants of up to £1 million to help them take ownership of land and buildings to meet local need and deliver benefits for the whole community
- realise the opportunities created by the Land Reform (Scotland) Acts 2003 & 2016 and the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, including the Community Right to Buy



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