

# Welcome from the Chairman and Founder

Just two years ago Sussex was one of the few counties in England without a Community Foundation – we have now bridged that gap.

The feasibility study carried out in 2000 showed that there was a good case for a Community Foundation in Sussex. The high quality grant applications we now receive from a diverse range of local charities and voluntary groups in Sussex are proving that to be true.

In the past year we have been laying down firm foundations for the future. We have raised awareness of the charity amongst a wide range of people and companies across Sussex. We have also established a highly effective grant making system, built a sound knowledge of local needs and developed excellent services for donors.

Our ultimate goal is to pool donations – large and small – to create a permanent endowment fund. Over time our aim is to grow this fund to at least £10 million. The income from this fund can then be used to meet community needs for many years to come.

Building a Community Foundation is about building relationships. We are building links between those who have financial resources in our community and those who have time, contacts, volunteers, local know how and ideas. Together they can create projects and organisations that will provide opportunities for local people and tackle issues of disadvantage.

**The Foundation can make a significant difference to local quality of life. This is about local communities working together for the welfare of all, for generations to come.**

## The Duke of Richmond and Gordon

Founder and Chairman of Sussex Community Foundation



*The Duke of Richmond with The Foundation's Joint Presidents Mrs Phyllida Stewart-Roberts, Lord Lieutenant of East Sussex; and Mr Hugh Wyatt, Lord Lieutenant of West Sussex*

# Chief Executive's Report

Welcome to the first annual report of Sussex Community Foundation. The Foundation has one simple purpose – to inspire local giving to meet local needs.

The Foundation provides services to people and companies who want to give to their local community, making their giving more effective and ensuring that funds get where they are most needed. We are reaching smaller organisations which are not household names, but which can make a very big difference with a small amount of money.

In its first year, the Foundation has already awarded £127,000 in grants to 38 organisations. All these organisations are run by and for local people, making a difference to local needs.

Our aim over the coming year is simple: to increase the number of people who give to Sussex through the Foundation and to increase our grants to the local community.

By 2014 we aim to be giving out £1 million a year. This ambitious goal can be achieved, if the people of Sussex come together to make this vision a reality.

We are grateful to the 19 companies, individuals and trusts who became our Founder Donors and have covered the charity's costs for the first three years. We also thank American Express and Professor and Mrs Hans Rausing for being the leaders in this new movement for local philanthropy.

## Kevin Richmond

Sussex Community Foundation is grateful to our Founder Donors:



The Batty Charitable Trust

The Ernest Kleinwort Charitable Trust

The Henry Smith Charity

Stewart Newton Charitable Trust

Mr Derek Hunisett DL

Mr Mark Burrell DL

Eight other individual donors.

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# The Best Way to Give to Sussex

## Named Fund Holders

A named fund is a simple and effective way to support your community. The fund is set up to support the causes you care about, and grants are awarded in your own name; the Foundation provides all the administration and expert advice.

We are very grateful to Professor and Mrs Hans Rausing and American Express for leading the way and establishing the first named funds at Sussex Community Foundation.



Above: Woza Nawe Cultural Arts Exchange was funded by the Rausing Fund.

Below: Brighton & Hove Parents and Children group, funded by the American Express Fund.



### Professor & Mrs Hans Rausing

Professor and Mrs Hans Rausing have supported a wide range of charitable causes in Sussex and Kent for some years. Last spring they were the first individuals to set up a named fund at Sussex Community Foundation to address the root causes of problems in Sussex and to stimulate communities to solve their own problems.

Professor and Mrs Rausing were pleased with the positive effect of their charitable giving on local causes and have decided to double their fund to £100,000 for 2007-08. Mrs Rausing hopes this vote of confidence will encourage other donors to join The Foundation in meeting the needs of Sussex.

### American Express

American Express is the largest private sector employer in Brighton & Hove and became the first company to award grants through Sussex Community Foundation in June 2006.

The American Express Fund supports charities in Brighton & Hove and Burgess Hill. Employees from American Express form a steering group that advises The Foundation about grants awarded.

“Our partnership with Sussex Community Foundation makes the most of our local philanthropic giving. The Foundation provides us with expertise about local needs and detailed research behind the many organisations seeking funding. Add to this the commitment of American Express to be a good citizen in the community, and the individual passion of employees and you have the perfect combination. The whole arrangement is working very well.”

**Tony Mills, Chair of American Express Fund Steering Group**

## Developing New Funds

Sussex Community Foundation is building new funds for Sussex by providing a bespoke service which makes it easy for people to support their local communities. We are constantly seeking out those companies and individuals who would give to local causes, given a little help.

We are very pleased to welcome The Cullum Family as new donors for Sussex Community Foundation.

### The Cullum Family

Peter Cullum was until 1991 a director of London & Edinburgh Group based in Worthing.

He has subsequently become a serial entrepreneur in the UK insurance sector and has built the largest independently owned insurance group in Europe and second in the world.

In 2006 he established the Cullum Family Trust to provide funding for a small portfolio of charitable causes. The Trust is managed on a day to day basis by his two daughters, Claire and Abi, who are both residents of Hove.

“Supporting local charities is an important facet of our Trust. We have chosen to partner with Sussex Community Foundation as an effective means to focus on local needs. They are ideally placed to provide expertise to the Trust in selecting from the very many causes worthy of financial help. We are very much looking forward to working with Kevin and his team.”

**Peter Cullum**



Above : Abi and Claire Cullum



Above : James Richards, SG Hambros

### Working with Professional Advisors

There is a growing trend towards philanthropy and more people are seeking advice about making major gifts to charity as part of their estate or tax planning.

Sussex Community Foundation helps solicitors, accountants and other advisors to inform their clients about local charitable giving.

Legacies are a key part of this, offering clients the ability to set up a named fund through a bequest that becomes a permanent memorial. The Foundation can also help people to see the effects of their giving in their own lifetimes. Farrington Webb Solicitors in Brighton acted as executors

for the estate of **Mrs Margaret Greenhough**, who wanted to leave a legacy to promote music in Sussex. A donation of £16,000 has established the Margaret Greenhough Fund which will support small music projects, and is open to further donations.

“Community Foundations provide expert help and advice in all aspects of local charitable giving, and can guide clients through the options available, helping them to realise their charitable aims in an effective and flexible manner.”

**James Richards, Senior Private Banker, SG Hambros**

# The Best Way to Give to Sussex

## Our Founder Donors...

The Foundation would not have come into being without the vital support of our Founder Donors who provided funding for the first three years.

Here are some examples of those individuals, companies and Charitable Trusts who have helped make the vision of a Community Foundation in Sussex become a reality. We are now inviting others who would like to support the ongoing work of the Foundation to become 'Foundation Donors'.

### Derek Hunnisett DL - Founder Donor

"Having spent most of my working life in Brighton & Hove I am aware of the great variety of people and organisations that make Sussex a special place. I am delighted to be able to make a contribution to the local community through supporting Sussex Community Foundation. I hope that over time many others will join me to make a lasting difference to Sussex.

I am particularly pleased that Sussex Community Foundation will be focusing on funding smaller community groups and helping local people to help themselves. This presents a great opportunity for all the people of Sussex to give something back."

**Derek Hunnisett – Founder Donor**

### The Henry Smith Charity

"The Henry Smith Charity has for many years supported the development of new and existing community foundations, because of their capacity to stimulate local

giving and help donors channel their money effectively.

We have forged close relations with a few of the more highly developed foundations through whom we undertake a substantial amount of grant-making in the regions they cover, and have made grants to help develop new foundations in certain counties with whom the Charity has a historic relationship and where we operate substantial small grant schemes. This was why a grant was awarded to the Sussex Community Foundation."

**Richard Hopgood, Director, Henry Smith Charity**

### BAA

BAA, the owner and operator of Gatwick Airport, has an established record of local community support through the BAA Communities Trust.

Community support from BAA takes many forms – working with local groups, funding projects with schools and community organisations and investing in schemes to protect the environment.



Above : Paul Griffiths, BAA

"When we were first approached to help set up the foundation we didn't hesitate. We've been involved from the very start because close ties with local communities and local people is a fundamental part of the way we work."

Equally individuals with influence and income can make a real difference to society – and they have a wonderful opportunity to help Sussex Community Foundation help others."

**Paul Griffiths, BAA**

# Supporting Sussex Communities

## Small grants making a big impact

Our grants support the people making an impact in their communities. For the smaller organisations that received a grant, the average award of £3,000 made a huge difference to their work. For some like the Downland Village Lunch Group it was a lifeline, enabling them to purchase the equipment they needed to survive. For others it represented the start of a journey – the Pevensey Project in Bognor Regis used their grant to consult local people about what they wanted from a new community centre.

The grant to the Brighton Festival, which represented an additional donation from American Express, enabled the company to continue its long term support for this major local festival. The funding gave children from local youth groups the opportunity to take part in a performance at the Brighton Dome, alongside professional dancers.

**"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give".**

**Winston Churchill**

**During 2006-2007 Sussex Community Foundation awarded the following grants:**

Act On It, Wadhurst	£998
Alzheimer's Society-Sussex High Weald Support Group	£250
Brighton & Hove Inclusion Project	£4,000
Brighton & Hove Parents and Children Group	£4,108
Brighton & Hove Parents and Children Group	£2,500
Brighton & Hove Unwaged, Advice & Rights Centre	£2,500
Brighton Dome and Festival Ltd.	£22,000
Brighton & Hove Cruse	£1,500
CAMEO Club, Crawley	£500
Chichester Diocesan Assoc. For Family Support Work	£1,500
City Gate Community Projects, Brighton & Hove	£3,857
Crew Club, Whitehawk	£5,000
Diversity Resource International, Hastings	£5,000
Downland Village Lunch Group, Berwick	£377
East Grinstead CAB-Triple Four Bureaux	£4,000
Enterprise Education Trust, Brighton & Hove	£2,000
Face to Face, West Sussex	£5,370
Friends of Beechgrove Unit, East Sussex	£2,000
Fun in Action for Children, Brighton & Hove	£1,600
Hangleton and Knoll Community Festival	£3,505
Mediation Plus, Eastbourne and Hailsham	£5,000
Mid Sussex CVS	£326
Moulsecomb Forest Garden & Wildlife Project	£1,690
Paddock/Westgate Chapel, Lewes	£2,000
Pevensey Project, Bognor Regis	£2,867
Pippa's Group, Lewes	£1,300
RELATE: Brighton & Hove, Worthing & Districts	£5,000
Safety Net, East Sussex	£5,000
St Lukes's Advice Service, Brighton & Hove	£2,567
Survivors' Network, Brighton & Hove	£2,750
Sussex Beacon	£5,000
Tarnerland Children's & Young People's Projects	£4,500
The People Matter Charitable Trust, Eastbourne	£5,000
Training Assessment Progression, Eastbourne	£1,690
West Sussex Learning Links	£5,090
Woodingdean Youth Centre	£1,067
Woza Nawe Cultural Arts Exchange, Eastbourne	£2,000
Young Enterprise, Brighton & Hove	£2,000

# Supporting Sussex Communities

## Downland Village Lunch Club Grant award: £377

“If you could give us a grant to provide the pots and pans, then we can manage the rest.”

This lunch club gives isolated older people in rural East Sussex the chance to get together once a month and share a roast dinner. The club faced closing this year because their new venue had no cooking equipment. This small grant enabled them to keep the club going for the long term, helping 70 people every month.

## Safety Net Grant award: £5,000

Sadly being bullied is something that many children suffer and each month over 3,000 children call the ChildLine service for help. Safety Net found that bullying was one of the key issues that children and young people wanted to talk about. A grant of £5,000 from the Foundation enabled Safety Net to develop their anti-bullying work in the Whitehawk and Moulsecomb areas of Brighton.



## Face to Face Grant award: £5,370

Over 50 per cent of carers providing substantial care for a loved one suffer from stress related illness. Face to Face is a befriending service that offers emotional support to parents of a disabled child using volunteers who themselves have a child with a disability. They used their grant to extend their support an extra 25 families in West Sussex.

## Alzheimer's Society Grant award: £250

Alzheimer's disease affects around 450,000 people in the UK and the numbers will grow as our population ages. The Sussex High Weald Support Group used their grant to give carers of Alzheimer sufferers and those they care for some festive cheer by hosting a Christmas tea, which included presents, at Barnsgate Manor.



## People Matter Grant award: £5,000

Getting back to work after an enforced break or following redundancy can be daunting. In Eastbourne The People Matter Charitable Trust runs projects that support individuals into employment. Their grant is being used to help 70 people develop confidence and skills required to find a job in the competitive local market.



## Be Part of it!

By supporting the Foundation you can make a real difference within the local community, safe in the knowledge that your donation will be used to improve quality of life for local people. Local charities and voluntary groups work tirelessly to support local people. The Foundation provides the funding to ensure that this vital work continues.

### Set up a Named Fund

When you set up a Named Fund you can decide who your fund supports. You can choose an endowment fund which will be invested to provide an annual income, or an Immediate Impact Fund which will be spent within a set time period. You can donate cash, shares or property.

### Leave a legacy

The Foundation provides an ideal vehicle for your legacy. You can choose the causes supported, knowing that your fund will respond to changing needs for years to come.

### Set up an Acorn Fund

A minimum donation of £1,000 per year, after gift aid, will build up to a Named Fund endowment over several years.

### Become a Foundation Donor

Foundation donors make an annual donation for three years help to cover the costs of developing the Foundation. In return they are acknowledged in Foundation publicity and invited to an exclusive annual event.

### Sponsor an event

We are grateful to the following Companies who sponsored events during 2006-07:  
Brighton & Hove City Council  
East Sussex County Council  
Mazars  
Plumpton Agricultural College  
Rolls-Royce Motor Cars  
SG Hambros

## Administrative information

Registered Charity Number 1113226

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**Acknowledgements**  
We would like to thank CISS for allowing use of the name "Sussex Giving" in our website.



Sussex Community Foundation is a member of the Community Foundation network, an umbrella organisation which supports 67 community foundations across the UK. For more information visit [www.communityfoundations.org.uk](http://www.communityfoundations.org.uk)

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## Summarised Accounts

### Statement of Financial Activities For the Year ended 31st March 2007

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2007
	£	£	£	£
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>				
Voluntary income	266,403	151,142	6,150	423,695
Investment income	3,155	-	-	3,155
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>269,558</b>	<b>151,142</b>	<b>6,150</b>	<b>426,850</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>				
<b>Costs of generating funds</b>				
Costs of generating donations and legacies	26,601	-	-	26,601
<b>Net incoming resources available</b>	<b>242,957</b>	<b>151,142</b>	<b>6,150</b>	<b>400,249</b>
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Grant making	-	127,413	-	127,413
Other Direct Charitable Expenditure	87,461	-	-	87,461
Governance costs	33,246	-	-	33,246
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>147,308</b>	<b>127,413</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>274,721</b>
<b>Net incoming resources before transfers</b>	<b>122,250</b>	<b>23,729</b>	<b>6,150</b>	<b>152,129</b>
Gross transfers between finds	11,845	(11,845)	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>134,095</b>	<b>11,884</b>	<b>6,150</b>	<b>152,129</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2006	-	-	-	-
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2007</b>	<b>134,095</b>	<b>11,884</b>	<b>6,150</b>	<b>152,129</b>

### Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2007

	2007
	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>	
Tangible assets	7,030
Investments	1,000
	<b>8,030</b>
<b>Current assets</b>	
Debtors	14,008
Cash at bank and in hand	152,560
	<b>166,568</b>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>(22,469)</b>
<b>Net current assets</b>	<b>144,099</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>152,129</b>
<b>Capital Funds</b>	
Endowment funds	6,150
<b>Income funds</b>	
Restricted funds	11,884
Unrestricted funds	134,095
	<b>152,129</b>

Note: Until 31st March 2006 all Sussex Community Foundation funds were held on behalf of the Charity by Action in Rural Sussex. Voluntary Income above includes £75,282 representing the balance of funds held by Action in Rural Sussex on behalf of the Foundation as at 31st March 2006. Full details are in the statutory accounts.

These Accounts are not statutory financial statements. They are a summary of information extracted from Sussex Community Foundation's financial statements, which have been audited, given an unqualified report and approved by the board on 17th July 2007. The trustees report and financial statements can be obtained from Sussex Community Foundation 210 High Street Lewes BN7 2NH.

T James Company Secretary  
17th July 2007



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