

Intelligent Energy Charitable Trust

Life Beacon



'Enabling young people to develop a sustainable life no matter what their background may be'

Intelligent Energy Charitable Trust first launched in January 2019 with the aim to make a positive impact on the local community it operates within. The Charitable Trust supports charitable and voluntary organisations, local to Intelligent Energy's headquarters in Loughborough, which support and aid amongst others; community groups, young people, sport and lifelong learning.

The Trust currently distributes £100,000 each year and several organisations have already benefited from funding awards, including Life Beacon who were awarded £4,320 in 2021.

Life Beacon is a non-governmental organisation that educates and mentors young people to develop a sustainable life. It enables them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals, with much focus on the under-represented groups and backgrounds (e.g., Black, Asian, minority ethnic group – BAME).

In achieving the aim of Life Beacon, we undertake well planned projects which are informed by research.

The funds received from Intelligent Energy will aid in facilitating three main joint outreach community projects with Loughborough University Student Union.

The purpose of these projects is to achieve the following.

To inspire Loughborough University students to give back to the local community alongside their studies as this is essential in maintaining and improving the positive relationship between the university and members of the local community.

To create interest and passion for higher education, clear any misconceptions, create an entrepreneurial mindset and career desires among the children and young people in the Charnwood community.

To help reduce the increased risk of depression, anxiety, and mental health challenges among young people when they move to higher education. The young people who decide not to go onto higher education will take up other opportunities that best fit their personality with slight anxiety.

The lack of jobs among young adults poses severe consequences for their health, wellbeing, and future. Hence, one of the ways to get young people into the labour market is through youth entrepreneurship. Not only does it provide employment prospects to work inexperienced youths, but it impacts economic growth through new jobs, increased competition, and innovation.

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