## Edinburgh organisations get funding from ScottishPower Foundation

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Among the recipients of a massive fund of £1.8 million handed out by ScottishPower Foundation there are six Edinburgh based organisations.

National Museums Scotland, Children's University Scotland, Music in Hospitals Scotland, Alzheimer's Scotland, Young Scot Enterprise (2050 Climate Group) and the Royal Society of the Protection of Birds (RSPB) will all get a share of the Foundation's biggest funding year to date.

This funding body was set up four years ago to make a significant and lasting contribution to society. By giving meaningful sums of money to a variety of charities they hope to improve lives in communities across the UK. The condition is that the charities must be registered and they must advance education, environmental protection, citizenship and community development.

The Foundation also supports non-profit organisations working in science, the arts, heritage or culture as well as the prevention of poverty and relief of disability or other disadvantage.

Each of the 26 beneficiaries which will benefit from ScottishPower Foundation funding will deliver events, information or campaigns that directly benefit people living in their local communities or regions including a theatre event, a science learning programme and cancer respite care.

Ann McKechin, Head of Corporate Social Responsibility at

ScottishPower, said: "It's been heartening to hear all about the work of these 26 projects and the invaluable services which they provide. The ScottishPower Foundation is committed to improving the lives of people living in our local communities and by delivering this funding we want to ensure the good work continues. This year will be the biggest funding year to date for the Foundation and I'm looking forward to seeing how all of the projects come to fruition."

