

Quarterly Dashboard to 31 Dec 2020: GROWTH FUND

INVESTMENTS MADE

at 31st Dec 2020 - totalling **£34.1m**

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The Growth Fund funds 14 social investors to make investments into charities and social enterprises

Of the **517** investments made into charities and social enterprises by the social investors to date...

£66k

Average investment

6 FTE

Median investee employees

£245k

Median turnover of recipients

29%

Borrowers that received Reach Fund or other capacity building support

49 months

Average loan term

7.18%

Average interest rate

70%

Loan recipients also received a Growth Fund grant

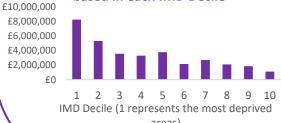
17%

Of total

investment given

as grant

Value of investments into VCSEs based in each IMD Decile



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SPORTING



26%



What is the spread of investment size?



■ < £10k ■ £10k - £30K ■ £30.001 - £50k ■ £50.001 - £75k ■ £75.001 - £100k ■ £100.001 - £150k ■ £150.001k - £200k



15%



Income

Trading

Grant

Other

Contracts

Voluntary - grants

Voluntary - other

Data not provided

15%



150

15%

Size of Investee by employees 7% 27% What is the purpose of the 150 12% investment? 12% 50 5+ - 10 10+ - 50 50+ - 100 >100 **Primary Source of**

Scale up existing activity

Refurbishment

Re-finance an existing loan

Pursue new revenue streams

Other

Deliver new products/services

Data not available

 Cover shortfalls in cash and sustain. business-as-usual

Build internal capacity

Asset acquisition - not a building

Case Study: Réne House CIC (Big Issue Invest)

Réne House received a £60,000 **Growth Fund** investment from Big Issue Invest's Impact Loans England Fund. Réne House provides accommodation for homeless and vulnerable adults and families.

BII's investment will allow them to expand their provision of supported housing and to employ additional staff to meet the growing need of homeless individuals and families in Nottingham.

Theo Brown, Director at René House stated that: "What we are doing is giving these people a new start and a chance to better themselves. That's what drives me'



RENÉ HOUSE

René House is led by two young social entrepreneurs Theo Brown and Tiffany Brierley.











Quarterly Dashboard to 31 Dec 2020: CAPACITY BUILDING



Investment readiness arants for charities & social enterprises via social investor 'Access Points'

613

Grants awarded to date

Average Grant size

£13.6k

30

Social investor 'Access Points'

£8.36m Grants awarded to date

£157k

Grants awarded this quarter

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interactive map



Helping charities and social enterprises transition to new enterprise models or grow existing ones.

17 organisations have been accepted into the second cohort

of the new programme. 80 organisations are now part of the programme across 4 sectors:

21 Homeless **12** Youth **21** Equality **26** Mental Health

Organisations' trading models:

49% B2C (direct consumer) **43%** B2B (business/charity)

9% B2G (Government/public sector)



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Connect | Building a better social Fund | investment market

Phase 1 (2017-2020)

£2.8m has been awarded so far.

1 investment & 82 grants have been made across eight themes





94 conferences or reached directly events held



241 new networks. collaborations or partnerships

Phase 2 (2020-2023)

£202k has been awarded so far

7 grants have been made across three themes:

Theme 1	Theme 2	Theme 3
Equality, diversity and inclusion in social investment	Business models and business support needs in the pandemic	Developing Flexible Finance proposals

£50k

£92k

OUR ENDOWMENT Invested under our 'total impact' approach whilst being spent down to fund these programmes [Tier 1] Charities and social enterprises delivering 43.48% social impact in the UK [Tier 2] Charities and social enterprises delivering 0.84% social impact elsewhere [Tier 3] Other organisations delivering social impact [Tier 4] 30.60% Other organisations that have best in class ESG indicators (priority on S&G) 11.22% Read more about our total impact Portfolio investments at 31st December 2020 investment approach here

Strengthening the social investment market to better meet the needs of VCSEs - http://www.connectfund.org.uk

£60k



Quarterly Dashboard to 31 Dec 2020: COVID-19 RESPONSE



£1m of the Access Endowment has been allocated to provide Business support grants to existing Growth Fund investees nominated by their Growth Fund investor



COVID-19 Case Study

Autism Plus was formed by a group of parents of autistic children, who felt there was a gap in provision for their



The organisation attracts referrals from local governments and Clinical Commissioning Groups on a case-by-case basis, identifying what their needs are and working hard to provide them with a substantive response.

When Covid-19 hit, **Autism Plus's** income was affected as referrals were paused due to an increase risk to staff and service users.

A £360,000 loan and £140,000 grant through the RRLF was secured and has provided an essential safety net for Autism Plus following the uncertainty of Covid-19.

The funding enabled **Autism Plus** to purchase a new IT system which allowed them to adapt their services in a cost-efficient manner.

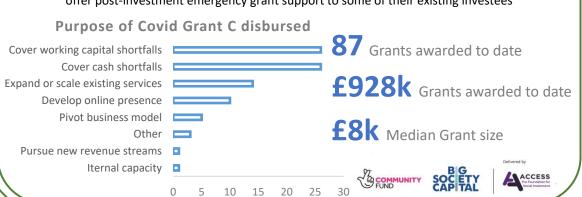
Post-investment Growth Fund Grant

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£50.000

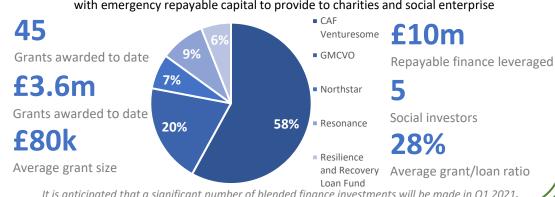
£100.000

c.£1m of the Growth Fund's previously unallocated grant was repurposed, to enable the investors to offer post-investment emergency grant support to some of their existing investees



COVID-19 Related Emergency Support

Grant from Dormant Account funds are allocated to social investors to blend with emergency repayable capital to provide to charities and social enterprise



It is anticipated that a significant number of blended finance investments will be made in Q1 2021.