

PRESS RELEASE

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£9,756 awarded to CIYMS Cricket Club to purchase new cricket equipment

CIYMS Cricket Club, based in Belmont, East Belfast, provides sporting opportunities for people of all ages in the local community. CIYMS provide coaching to local residents, families and primary and secondary schools. CIYMS Cricket Club also facilitates cross community work, bringing young people from different backgrounds together through the medium of cricket.

CIYMS Cricket Club will use £9,756 from the Whitemountain to purchase new cricket equipment for the community to use. This project will allow the club to continue their important work providing access to sport for their local community.

The Whitemountain Programme was established by Whitemountain who are part of the Breedon Group, and are a leading Contracting and Materials Business operating throughout the UK and Ireland, specialising in Highway Maintenance, Civil Engineering, Airfield Construction, Quarry Materials, Bitumen Importation and Distribution, Waste Management and Green Energy.

Since its beginnings in 2008, the Whitemountain Programme has distributed over £8 million of funding to 260 fantastic community and biodiversity projects. This funding helps groups to achieve their plans for positive change in their community.

QUOTES

Access to sport is vital for health and wellbeing in our local communities. CIYMS Cricket Club provide sporting opportunities for people of all ages in their local area and they do fantastic work with youth groups and schools. We are delighted to support the club to continue their important work.

Shannon Downey, Communities Lead
Groundwork Northern Ireland

CIYMS Cricket Club are absolutely delighted to receive funding support from Whitemountain. Our club puts a huge focus on supporting our local community through cricket. The funding received is vital for us in providing a quality playing surface with new covers which will help both our adult and junior membership to develop. The pandemic has made fundraising even more difficult over the past two seasons and Whitemountain's support is much needed and very much appreciated by all of our members.

Richard Heasley
CIYMS Cricket Club

Whitemountain is proud to support CIYMC Cricket Club in providing new equipment for the local community, helping to create more opportunities for healthy sports and recreation that will be of great benefit to the Belmont community.

Edward Kearney
Whitemountain

NOTES TO THE EDITOR

Groundwork Northern Ireland manages the Whitemountain Programme on behalf of Whitemountain. Groundwork NI is a charity that empowers local communities grown from the ground up, that are sustainable, happy and healthy places to live, work and play. One of our services is to help other organisations to distribute grant funding, ensuring money gets to where it is most needed. Throughout the years, we have distributed over £10 million in grants to community projects.

CIYMS Cricket Club is based in Belmont, East Belfast and is part of the larger CIYMS society that provides sports such as cricket, hockey, rugby and tennis to the local community. CIYMS Cricket Club have a range of local senior and junior teams and they provide coaching to local secondary and primary schools.

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HOW TO APPLY

If you have a great community or biodiversity focused project which lies within the 15 mile radius of Mullaghglass landfill site near Lisburn (and within 10 miles of a licensed landfill site), then why not apply? Applications to the Whitemountain Programme are open. To find out more visit our website www.groundwork.org.uk/whitemountain or contact us at whitemountainprogramme@groundworkni.co.uk

OTHER PROJECTS FUNDED RECENTLY

Grants of up to £50,000 are available for projects making a positive impact at ground level, either developing facilities for community use or encouraging biodiversity and environmental improvements.

The funding is available under two strands:

- Whitemountain Programme Small Grants (up to £5K)
- Whitemountain Programme Main Grants (£5K - £25K)

Below you can find some of the more recently funded projects:

Small Grants - 2021

Benview Community Centre	£6,120
CIYMS Cricket Club	£9,756
Irish Football Network	£7,395

Main Grants - 2021

Cliftonville FC	£50,000
Include Youth	£49,935
L'Arche	£50,000
New Life City Church	£48,796

TOTAL	£222,002
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