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\$1.6 Million Approved in 2018 Major Grants Round

Community Trust South has approved new major grants totalling \$1.609 million in its major grants round for 2018.

"These grants, of \$100,000 and above, are the first major grants approved by the Trust since 2015 when major grants funding was paused while the Trust focused on capital rebuild. We are delighted to be able to support these significant projects throughout the Trust's region" Margot Hishon, Community Trust South Chair said.

The 2018 major grants approved are the following:

- Arrowtown Village Association Arrowtown Wilding Conifer Control and Revegetation Project \$120,000
- Southland Softball Association Redevelopment of the home of Softball \$250,000
- Southland Indoor Bowls Centre Re-roofing of the Indoor Bowls Centre \$155,000
- Athletics Southland Track renewal and back straight improvements at Surrey Park \$209,000
- Hope Education Trust New preschool building in Mataura \$250,000
- The Hokonui Heritage Centre Trust Redevelopment of the Hokonui Moonshine Museum, Stage One of the Maruawai Project \$250,000
- Windsor Community Church Community facilities within the redevelopment of the Windsor Community Church \$110,000
- Eastern Southland Hockey Association Building a new pavilion \$150,000
- Waihopai Tennis Club Repair and resurfacing of 8 tennis courts and a booking system for community use \$115,000

Sport Southland, also a major grant applicant, was approved \$65,000 per annum for two years for the play.sport initiative. This initiative will enable Sport Southland to work with Invercargill primary schools in a new approach to encourage physical education and activity in students.

The 2019 Major Grants funding round is currently open, with Expressions of Interest closing 30 April 2019. For more information head to www.communitytrustsouth.nz

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