

# Chinchilla Community Benefits Trust

## Media release



## **\$55,000 injected into local community projects**

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Seven local community groups have received a funding boost from the Chinchilla Community Benefits Trust.

The Chinchilla Community Benefits Trust, which is jointly administered by CS Energy and the Western Downs Regional Council, was launched in 2004 to support the community throughout the construction of the Kogan Creek Power Station.

CS Energy's new General Manager of the Kogan Creek Power Station, Phil Matha, said almost \$1 million in funding, more than 100 projects and a decade later, the Trust was continuing a legacy of providing of enhancing the economic, cultural and social development of the Chinchilla area.

"The Kogan Creek Power Station is a long term part of the Chinchilla community, with many of our employees choosing to live in the area," Mr Matha said. "We are proud to work in partnership with Council and the community and help keep Chinchilla a great place to live."

With this round of projects sharing in \$55,000 and including much needed upgrades to the Kogan and District Rural Fire Brigade facilities and an upgrade to the canteen at Brigalow Recreation Grounds, Western Downs Regional Councillor Carolyn Tillman said the support of companies like CS Energy was essential for the region.

"Chinchilla has a wonderful community spirit with the majority of these groups run by dedicated volunteers," she said. "The work they do for the rest of the community is very commendable, and it's great to see an organisation like CS Energy supporting the valuable work the groups do."

Groups who received funding in the 2015 round are:

Community group	Project details	Funding from the Trust
Brigalow Recreation Grounds	Canteen Upgrade	\$18,000
Chinchilla State High School P&C Association	Neon Night	\$1,994
Kogan and District Rural Fire Brigade	Kogan Fire Extension Stage 2	\$9,980
Chinchilla Polocrosse Club	Power Supply Upgrade	\$3,792
Western Downs Youth Hub	Equipment Purchase	\$5,000
Chinchilla Junior Netball Association	Training Equipment Upgrade	\$2,272
Chinchilla Rotary Club	Mobile Cold Room Purchase	\$12,745

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