

‘We can support the causes we care about’

Cumbria Life’s charity partner Cumbria Community Foundation helps philanthropic individuals and businesses by managing their funds to put something back into their chosen community. Each month, we introduce you to a different fund and highlight how the money is helping people across the county. This month, meet Graham Lamont and the Lamont Pridmore Fund



The Lamont Pridmore team

Lamont Pridmore, a leading family-run Cumbrian chartered accountancy firm took advantage of a Government scheme allowing the creation of a charitable fund supporting community activity across West Cumbria at a grassroots level.

First established in 2011, the Lamont Pridmore Fund is now worth in excess of £50,000 through the Community First Match Challenge, whereby for every £2 donated the Government will add another £1.

Graham Lamont, Managing Partner said: “Both myself and my son, Chris, who is also a partner in the firm, were born and brought up in West Cumbria. Our family-owned accountancy practice was founded over 100 years ago in West Cumbria and still operates in the area and we wanted to give something back to the people and communities we serve. Working with Cumbria Community Foundation means we can support and champion the causes we care about and be confident that our money

is in safe hands and being spent wisely and effectively.”

Since the fund was established, five projects have benefited including Southfield Community Champions’ adventure learning programme ensuring that all members could take part in outdoor activities regardless of their family income. The activity days were designed to offer learning experiences as a method of raising confidence, skills and achievement. Young people were given access to learning opportunities which would otherwise have been denied to them, including experiencing outdoor individual and group activities in the fields of orienteering, canoeing and paintballing.



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