

Devon Renaissance - Current and **Completed** Projects

Projects are listed under the following headings:

- Access to services
- Vocational skills
- Business support
- Business infrastructure
- Sustainable farming and food
- Sustainable tourism
- Environmental projects
- Capacity building for community organisations
- Research studies and planning

Key to areas covered by each project:

E = East Devon M = Mid Devon N = North Devon S = South Hams
Te = Teignbridge T = Torridge W = West Devon

ACCESS TO SERVICES

Getting There (N, T, W, S)

'Wheels 2 Work' scheme which offers transport solutions to people in rural areas to enable them to access employment or training opportunities.

Contribution from Devon Renaissance £99,980 Total Project Cost £245,479

Empowering Rural Communities (N)

A project working with communities in the Ilfracombe area to overcome financial and social exclusion and support community regeneration

Contribution from Devon Renaissance £83,023 Total Project Cost £505,319

Advice in Villages and Homes (W)

A Citizens Advice Bureau outreach project to help disadvantaged rural people access information and advice

Contribution from Devon Renaissance £92,041 Total Project Cost £153,402

Healthy Options Community Focus (N)

12 week flexible training programme offering advice and support on nutrition and healthy eating in rural communities

Contribution from Devon Renaissance £50,630 Total Project Cost £104,180

Extension of the 5x30 Project (W)

A 2-year project to promote physical activity in the Tavistock area and provide local opportunities and support

Contribution from Devon Renaissance £15,000 Total Project Cost £81,771

Lamerton Sports and Community Hall (W)

The building of a multi purpose sports and community hall on a parish-owned recreation field near the centre of the village

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£99,000	Total Project Cost	£519,000
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Devon Connected Communities Access to Services (N)

A project to bring together community facilities and agencies, e.g. Library, Surgeries, Jobcentre, Town Council, in one centre for the area of South Molton and surrounding 26 parishes

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£65,000	Total Project Cost	£1,380,719
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Community Boost Fund (Pilot and Main Fund) (N, T, W, S, Te, M, E)

A small capital grant scheme (£5,000 - £15,000) aimed at community-based organisations who want to improve access to services in their rural communities

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£270,000	Total Project Cost	£495,000
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Rural Advice Project (S)

This Citizens Advice Bureau project will train volunteers to advise individuals on the benefits available to them, through home visits and outreach work.

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£47,376	Total Project Cost	£78,643
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Buckland Brewer Post Office and Shop (T)

The project will refurbish, refit and equip a community store and post office in Buckland Brewer

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£27,336	Total Project Cost	£71,937
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Devon Wheels 2 Work (N, T, W, S, Te, M, E)

A project providing transport and training to rurally isolated people to help them access work and training

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£233,000	Total Project Cost	£1,587,870
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Berrynarbor Community Shop and Post Office (N)

A project to build a community shop and post office in Berrynarbor with a salaried manager and volunteers

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£67,645	Total Project Cost	£167,838
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Newton Ferrers Post Office and Shop (Phase II) (S)

Capital grant to the Community Trust who own the shop to develop its facilities, making it a more viable business

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£15,000	Phase II	£59,400
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Welcombe Community Shop and Post Office (T)

This is a project to re-establish and ensure the long term stability of a community shop and Post Office in Welcombe. The shop will be run as a community enterprise using volunteers

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£12,236	Total Project Cost	£27,295
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Beaford Village Hall Roof (T)

The replacement of the village hall roof allowing a range of community activities to take place

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£6,150	Total Project Cost	£34,323
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Moor Trees (S)

The project will install two portakabins as a classroom & shelter and a storage facility as part of the new Moor Trees Education Centre focusing on the preservation and conservation of the environment for public benefit

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£11,477	Total Project Cost	£24,672
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Okehampton Moving Pictures (W)

Set up of the office base for a mobile cinema serving rural communities

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£5,494	Total Project Cost	£10,995
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VOCATIONAL SKILLS

Rural Skills (N, T, W, S)

To identify basic skills needs and supply free customised vocational training for 300 people

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£144,738	Total Project Cost	£482,463
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Project Transition (N, T)

A project offering pre-apprenticeship and basic skills training to excluded young people with the aim of raising self-esteem and overcoming negative attitudes.

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£97,525	Total Project Cost	£325,075
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Dartmoor Rehabilitation (W)

A project providing rehabilitation for prisoners through practical forestry-based skills training and work experience

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£60,887	Total Project Cost	£202,956
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Moor Skills (W)

The project provides vocational training and work experience for 16-18 year olds in a range of upland farming skills in danger of being lost

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£11,250	Total Project Cost	£61,992
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Women into Construction (N, T, W)

Skills training for women who want to work in the construction industry and changing perceptions of potential employers

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£80,000	Total Project Cost	£448,267
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DELTA (N, T, W, S)

DELTA offers a wide range of training and education through both the internet and tutor-led sessions. Beneficiaries are both businesses and individuals in rural areas

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£131,975	Total Project Cost	£443,915
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Ilfracombe Centre of Excellence (N)

A project to train unemployed, economically and socially excluded individuals in areas of high deprivation in various catering, leisure and tourism skills using purpose built facilities in the Osborne Hotel

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£54,000	Total Project Cost	£124,000
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Reaching for the Future

A project to work with employees and Key Stage 3 pupils - The project will offer enterprise and work related activities to raise the profile of the types of employment which are relevant in the area.

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£12,500	Total Project Cost	£16,000
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Transferable Skills (N, T, W)

A project training agricultural businesses and employees in a range of management and more practical skills, allowing them to become more responsive to market needs, diversify their business or become more economically mobile

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£64,462	Total Project Cost	£429,749
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BUSINESS SUPPORT

Defence Related Technology Transfer (N, T, W, S)

A knowledge transfer project, helping businesses to access and share technology and R&D with the defence industry

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£71,057	Total Project Cost	£205,480
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Successful Women in Business (N, T, W, S)

Business advice for female-owned businesses that have been in existence for more than one year

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£36,213	Total Project Cost	£241,420
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Women and Micro Enterprise (N, T, W)

The project provides business support to female owned start-up and pre-start businesses

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£50,918	Total Project Cost	£154,297
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Promoting North Devon (N, T)

A marketing project to promote North Devon as a world class place to live, work and holiday

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£52,622	Total Project Cost	£128,922
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Plugging the Leaks (N, T, W)

A project aimed at measuring how money invested in an area continues to be of benefit through local wages, local purchasing and local investment

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£31,000	Total Project Cost	£86,000
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Support for Disabled Entrepreneurs (N, T, W, S)

The project provides advice, guidance and support for disabled entrepreneurs to set up businesses

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£45,100	Total Project Cost	£82,000
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Rural Business Growth Service (N, T, W)

The project provides intensive business support to rural businesses (and particularly the agricultural sector) to meet wide-ranging needs including planning issues

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£119,700	Total Project Cost	£266,000
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Rural Enterprise Development (N, T, W)

The provision of high quality business support and training to small commercial and community enterprises in areas of poor economic performance

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£158,560	Total Project Cost	£317,120
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BUSINESS INFRASTRUCTURE**Redundant Buildings Grant (N, T, W, S)**

Grant aid to businesses to help create workspace in rural areas by bringing redundant buildings back into productive economic use.

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£300,000	Total Project Cost	£3,172,118
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Redundant Buildings Grant – Examples of Live Projects

Filleigh Sawmills / Goodstuff Restaurant / Western Barns Craft Workshops / Rixon Cross Farm B1 and B8 Business Units / Middle Boasley Barn manufacturing space / Moortown Farm 4x4 Driver Training School facilities / Bridge Farm office units

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£151,099	Total Project Cost	£606,392
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Business Accommodation Study (N, T, W, S)

Study of business accommodation requirements

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£49,000	Total Project Cost	£89,000
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Enhancing Okehampton Farmers' Market (W)

A project to relocate and equip a new outside Farmers' Market in Okehampton and encourage the involvement of local producers

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£10,811	Total Project Cost	£18,561
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Devon Connected Communities Catalyst 4 Growth (N, T, W)

Provision of grant funding and advice to rural businesses to assist with the purchase of ICT hardware and software and implement ICT solutions to improve business productivity

<i>Contribution from Devon Renaissance</i>	<i>£233,500</i>	<i>Total Project Cost</i>	<i>£608,500</i>
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Dartmoor Railway Bay Platform (W)

A project to refurbish the redundant Bay Platform Building at Okehampton station with a craft based workshop, a meeting room and a tourist information point

<i>Contribution from Devon Renaissance</i>	<i>£144,859</i>	<i>Total Project Cost</i>	<i>£156,859</i>
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SUSTAINABLE FARMING & FOOD

South Hams Food & Drink (S)

Promotion and development of local food and drink products and services

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£98,000	Total Project Cost	£234,450
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SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

Tamar Valley Mining Heritage (W)

Large scale construction project at this newly designated World Heritage Site, creating walking and biking trails and car parking and carrying out safety work at the Bedford Mines site

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£245,571	Total Project Cost	£2,108,272
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Unlocking Potential at Wistlandpound (N)

The development of a regional centre of excellence to attract a new potentially high-spending visitor market – disabled people - to the area

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£126,000	Total Project Cost	£880,434
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

Renewable Energy 4 Devon (N, T, W S, M)

A programme to help communities reduce costs and improve productivity by installing smaller scale renewable energy technologies

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£295,671	Total Project Cost	£1,100,014
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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

Community Accountancy (T)

The project will provide financial management support and training where needed to community-based organisations

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£31,435	Total Project Cost	£88,913
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RESEARCH STUDIES & PLANNING

Bideford Regeneration Initiative (T)

The production of a 'Masterplan' for Bideford, to provide direction for economic and community regeneration

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£66,366	Total Project Cost	£143,732
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New Opportunity Business Survey (Te, M, E)

The project surveyed 1,500 businesses across Teignbridge, Mid Devon and East Devon, the results of which will be merged with the earlier Objective 2 area Business Survey to give a comprehensive and up to date picture of rural businesses in Devon.

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£30,000	Total Project Cost	£51,170
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Business Accommodation Study (N, T, W, S)

Study of business accommodation requirements

Contribution from Devon Renaissance	£49,000	Total Project Cost	£89,000
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Business Survey (N, T, W, S)

A postal survey of businesses to identify training requirements and barriers to growth in rural Devon

<i>Contribution from Devon Renaissance</i>	<i>£26,362</i>	<i>Total Project Cost</i>	<i>£41,712</i>
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