

PRESS RELEASE

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Canal & River Trust shares in People's Postcode Lottery funding for good causes

The Canal & River Trust is delighted to have attended the 2017 People's Postcode Lottery annual Charity Gala where it was announced that £66.3 million was awarded to charities and good causes in 2016 - thanks to players of People's Postcode Lottery.

The Trust is one of 69 charities that benefitted from this incredible funding in 2016 with £600,000 received last year alone.

The news of the funding total was shared at the annual event, on Tuesday 24 January, at Prestonfield House in Edinburgh. The Charity Gala celebrated the phenomenal achievements of charities working across Great Britain and internationally that are supported by players of People's Postcode Lottery.

The event was attended by HRH Prince Charles, Sir David Attenborough, broadcaster Dermot Murnghan and TV presenter Fiona Philips. Entertainment on the night was provided by Mica Paris and Soul Nation.

Wendy Hawk corporate partnerships manager for the Canal & River Trust, comments: "The Canal & River Trust is really grateful for the continued support of players of the People's Postcode Lottery. Their money for good causes really helps us to transform places alongside our canals and enrich the lives of millions of people who use and rely on them.

"Last year the funding helped us to work with young people on projects to protect biodiversity and heritage along our waterways as well another project that will specifically improve ten important Sites of Scientific Interest."

Clara Govier, Head of Charities at People's Postcode Lottery, said: "Our Gala is such a special time in People's Postcode Lottery's calendar where we come together and celebrate the incredible amount of money raised by our players and the fantastic work carried out by the supported charities as a result of the support. We continue to be overwhelmed by the incredible support of our players and thank them for their funding."

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NOTES TO EDITORS

People's Postcode Lottery

- People's Postcode Lottery is a charity lottery. Players play with their postcodes to win cash prizes, while raising money for charities and good causes across Great Britain and globally
- A minimum of 30% goes directly to charities and players have raised £168.4 Million for good causes across the country
- £10 for 10 draws paid monthly in advance with prizes every day. For further prize information visit: www.postcodelottery.co.uk/prizes
- Maximum amount a single ticket can win is 10% of the draw revenue to a maximum of £400,000
- Players can sign up by Direct Debit, credit card or PayPal online at www.postcodelottery.co.uk, or by calling 0808 10-9-8-7-6-5
- Postcode Lottery Limited is regulated by the Gambling Commission under certificate nr 000-000829-N-102511-011 and 000-000829-R-102513-010. Registered office: Titchfield House, 69/85 Tabernacle Street, London, EC2A 4RR
- People's Postcode Lottery manages multiple society lotteries promoted by different charities. For details on which society lottery is running each week, visit www.postcodelottery.co.uk/society