

Sellafield's helping hand for gardening charity

Grassroots, at the Hensingham Day Centre, Whitehaven, has received £3,400 from the peer to peer initiative.

The money will be used to carry out vital repairs to weather-damaged areas of the facility.

The peer to peer scheme encourages Sellafield Ltd employees to talk to each other about safety. For every conversation recorded, £1 goes to charity.

This helps reinforce safe working practices and highlight areas of concern.

During 2018 to 2019, the scheme raised £34,000, resulting in 10 charities receiving £3,400 each.

Grassroots provides support to young adults with learning difficulties.

Service users help grow produce and interact with customers to build their skills and confidence.

Lee Barker, centre supervisor, said:

This donation will help us to repair weather damage to the polytunnels, shop, and potting shed.

We rely heavily on donations and we are extremely grateful for the money granted to us by the peer to peer scheme.

Euan Hutton, Sellafield Ltd's chief nuclear officer, said:

Safety and security are our overriding priorities at Sellafield.

When it comes to safety, it's good to talk. That's why we encourage our workforce to start a conversation when they spot a safety concern or want to share good safety practice.

It helps us look after each other, raise the bar on safety, and make a real difference to our communities.