

A Furness cancer charity needs your vote to secure Â£32,000 of national lottery funding

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CancerCare in Barrow and Furness is calling for your vote to secure Â£32,000 of National Lottery funding as part of this year's People's Projects.

Now in its thirteenth year, the Big Lottery Fund, ITV and The National Lottery are teaming up to give the public a chance to decide how National Lottery funding should be put to good use in their local area.

Designed to celebrate some of the incredible projects the Big Lottery Fund has supported over the past year, 95 community-based schemes are now shortlisted across the UK.

Voting opens at 9am on Monday, April 16, at www.thepeoplesprojects.org.uk

If successful, CancerCare will use the grant to set up creative and activity groups for people suffering the effects of cancer and other serious illnesses in Barrow and surrounding areas.

The groups, which will be free for local people to join, will provide support, friendship, advice and a safe place to explore issues and feelings. CancerCare has successfully run similar groups to help people regain their confidence, get back into the community and get their life back during and after cancer.

Possible activities will include arts, crafts, singing, tai chi, indoor sports, dancing, gym sessions, swimming and much more. The funds will be used to hire rooms, buy materials and pay professionals lead the groups in Barrow.

"It's comforting to know that it's normal to feel fear; to feel that you're not the only one.

Voting closes at mid-day on Monday, April 30, 2018.

People can vote once per region and will need an email address to vote**.

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