

Cerebral Palsy Scotland

New technology to support communication

Cerebral Palsy Scotland has said the following, after receiving a grant from the SafeDeposits Scotland Community Fund: Cerebral Palsy Scotland are delighted to announce that we are one of the first six recipients of a SafeDeposits Scotland Community Fund small grant, which will support people with cerebral palsy to communicate and play through technology.

We are grateful to have received £1,961 to update our Augmentive and Alternative Communication (AAC) technology, as well as replacing equipment used to adapt technology for play.

Specialist adaptive technology gives people with cerebral palsy greater opportunities to operate toys and equipment on their own, helping them to independently enjoy games and conversation and promote wellbeing, confidence and positive mental health.

Our specialist occupational therapists, physiotherapists and speech and language therapists work collaboratively in sessions to help children and adults learn about communication devices and adaptive technology, empowering them to both communicate and play.

In these sessions, individuals and families are able to try out different technology with our specialists, and work out which methods work best for them before investing in them at home.

Being able to engage with activities, as well as operating toys and equipment alone, can have a hugely positive impact on a person with cerebral palsy, helping them to achieve their goals and unlock new opportunities.

As the only cerebral palsy charity in Scotland, we are immensely grateful for the support of SafeDeposits Scotland. This grant will power our work, helping individuals with cerebral palsy to reach their full potential.

For further information, visit **Cerebral Palsy Scotland**