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### **TOTNES BASED CHARITY GETS A HELPING HAND FROM THE SCREWFIX FOUNDATION**

Sirona Therapeutic Horsemanship, based in Totnes, is celebrating after being awarded £5,000 worth of funding from The Screwfix Foundation, a charity which supports projects to fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and facilities for those in need.

Dr Hannah Burgon from Sirona Therapeutic Horsemanship comments: "We are very grateful to The Screwfix Foundation for donating these much-needed funds to support our charity. Sirona Therapeutic Horsemanship provides therapeutic and educational activities to disadvantaged and disabled young people and adults, such as those in foster care, with ADHD, on the Autistic Spectrum, struggling in school or any other support needs. Through engaging in motivating and empowering activities and experiences with horses together with a professional, experienced, passionate and non-judgemental staff team, Sirona are committed in providing young people who experience difficulties in mainstream society to gain benefits and skills which will help them have more positive lives.

The funding will be used towards helping to build a new haybarn and toilet block at the centre. We'd like to thank everyone who was involved in the fundraising – it's been a great help to us."

Paul Mclagen, Store Manager of the Screwfix store in Torquay, comments: "We're really pleased that one of our local charities has been awarded funding by The Screwfix Foundation. Staff from across the business have held a variety of fundraising events to raise vital funds for The Screwfix Foundation, so it's fantastic to see the money we have raised being invested back into such a worthwhile community project."

The Screwfix Foundation, which launched in April 2013 donates much needed funding to help a variety of local projects throughout the UK, from repairing buildings and improving community facilities, to improving the homes of people living with sickness or disability.

It also works closely with Macmillan Cancer Support, as well as supporting smaller, local registered charities like Sirona Therapeutic Horsemanship.

Relevant projects from across Totnes are invited to apply online for a share of the funding at [screwfixfoundation.com](http://screwfixfoundation.com).

For more information about The Screwfix Foundation, visit [screwfixfoundation.com](http://screwfixfoundation.com).

For more information about Sirona Therapeutic Horsemanship, visit [www.sironaequine.org.uk](http://www.sironaequine.org.uk)

Picture Caption: Diane Cleave, Catherine Elson, Dr Hannah Burgon from Sirona, Paul Mclagen from Screwfix Torquay, Angie Whitehead, Kate Ford, Amber Ponton and horses Chapas and Autumn from Sirona.

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#### **Note to editors**

#### **About The Screwfix Foundation:**

The Screwfix Foundation is a charity set up by Screwfix in April 2013. We have a clear purpose of raising funds to support projects that will fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities specifically for those in need in the UK.

The Screwfix Foundation raises funds throughout the year to support causes that will change people's lives. Working with both national and local charities, The Screwfix Foundation donates much needed funding to help all sorts of projects, from repairing buildings and improving community facilities, to improving the homes of people living with sickness or disability.

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