



Back in November, many of you joined us to celebrate the opening of the new Nepalese Community Centre in Folkestone. We thought you would like an update on our progress since then.

You will have seen our brilliant Digital Training room where **21 Nepalese people** have now been supported to get online and learn digital skills.

We've been analysing the impact that this training has had. Community enablers, EK360 gave us **£10,000** to get our digital training project off the ground and they have just completed a Social Return on Investment analysis to prove how valuable that investment was.

For every **£1** that EK360 gave us, we can see a social return on that investment of **£20.90**. That works out at an average of **£8,041** worth of social value for every person that took part.

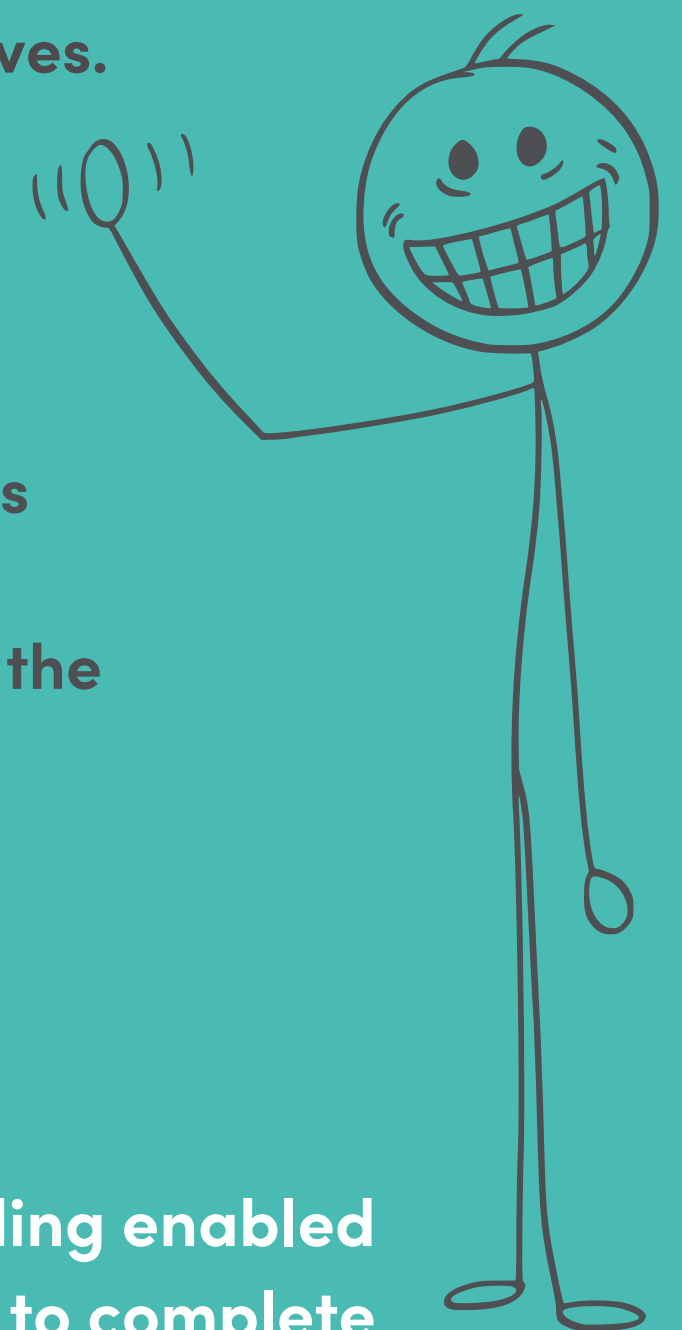
From such a small investment we have made a huge difference to peoples' lives. They can now:

- Access health & social care services online
- Book their Covid vaccine
- Connect with friends and family online, which has helped them to feel less lonely and isolated
- Do their shopping online, and help other people in their community to do the same

The project has connected them to younger people in their community who volunteered with us to train them.

"This project would never have happened without EK360. Their early funding enabled us to secure the additional funding we needed from the Armed Forces to complete the project and go one step further and open the Nepalese Community Centre."

Kerry Smith, CEO Kent Coast Volunteering



Thank you for all your support of our Nepalese Community Centre so far. Do keep in touch on kcv.org.uk, via email communitycentre@fncuk.org or by phone on 01303 398055.

If you'd like more information on the project and the Social Return on Investment, click [here](#)