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## SOCIAL FUND PILOT PROJECTS

The European Commission has announced support for the following pilot projects.

The support is given under Article 7 of the Social Fund and totals £177 150. This represents half the cost of the projects.

1. Retraining in modern practices and techniques of 20-30 engineers threatened with redundancy.

Recipient: Teeside Polytechnic, Middlesborough, Cleveland

Grant: £49 250

2. Two year further training programme for 30 qualified people to enable them to find new employment in, and perhaps set up new enterprises in an area badly affected by unemployment.

Recipient: Dartington Institute of Community Studies Totnes, Devon

Grant: £28 700

3. An 18 month programme to give training to village shopkeepers in rural Wales to improve management techniques and maintain efficiency, so providing better services for people in the countryside and encouraging them to stay.

Recipient: Development Board for Rural Wales

Grant: £12 500

4. A 2 year programme to train 10 people as Community Development workers in the rural areas of the Highlands and Islands.

Recipient: Community Work North, Aberdeen College

Grant: £86 700

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