



Breathing new life into
the historic heart of
Market Rasen



The
Grange
Collective



Welcome to The Grange Collective

The Grange Collective is an ambitious multi-million pound project led by Acis Group, which will create a dynamic network of vital support services in the heart of Market Rasen.

The vision for The Grange Collective is simple: **to tackle the challenges faced by rural communities, such as isolation and a lack of opportunities, by breathing new life and services into the town's historic centre.**

By transforming rundown historic buildings into essential community assets, The Grange Collective will drive opportunities for local people to learn, live and grow.



A restored, 200-year-old bank is the new home for Clip, our specialist education and wellbeing service which supports and encourages people to learn and thrive.



The beating heart of Grange Hub and the new name for the popular Clip Cafe which has served the Market Rasen community for decades.



A beautifully restored Grade II-listed building offering supported living accommodation for adults with learning disabilities, physical disabilities and autism.



Set in the wonderful grounds of Grange House, Grange Barn is a community space for growing produce across three acres of green space, complete with a stable block and orangery.

Key features:

- Carefully designed apartments to help people live more independently.
- Purposeful new learning spaces for all ages, to suit those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) or wider needs.
- Hubs enabling 1-2-1 and group learning opportunities for all ages within animal care, horticulture, hospitality, retail and care.
- A new home for Clip Cafe - now Grange Cafe - offering the same great service, food and value and above all, the welcoming space to connect.
- Access to an extensive range of learning opportunities from crafts to maths, first aid to health studies and wellbeing support.
- Access to employability support through Riverside Training and Jobcentre Plus.
- Opportunities for local groups and people to use these amazing spaces or access the services they need.



A vision rooted in community connection

The Grange Collective is the vision of Acis Group, supported by funding from our partners **Lincolnshire County Council**, **West Lindsey District Council** and **Homes England**.



Acis is an innovative charity which is proud to support communities through quality affordable housing, employment, education and wellbeing services.

We're deeply connected to Market Rasen and understand the challenges faced by rural communities such as limited local services, restricted transport links and higher-than-average levels of economic inactivity.

This creates a challenging environment for local people to access opportunities and support when they need it most - and we're committed to doing something about it.



Acis Group and Market Rasen – A brief history

We have been part of the community since 1999 when Acis Group was formed, providing more than 400 homes in the town and surrounding area.

We've had a prominent presence in the heart of Market Rasen since; acquiring Clip which, for more than three decades, has been helping break down barriers to learning and work, and helping people gain the confidence, skills and wellbeing support they need.

This deep understanding of our Market Rasen customers and the wider needs of the community has helped shape the vision for The Grange Collective.

It is a forward-focused model designed to create meaningful, long-term benefits and a friendly environment where local people can form strong social connections as well as accessing learning and wellbeing support.

Through The Grange Collective, we aim to reduce social isolation, enhance local opportunities and offer support for those who wish to live independently in a place they feel safe.

Grange Hub is a welcoming, expanded centre of learning: a place where people are supported and encouraged to grow.



Based in a fully refurbished former bank, right in the heart of Market Rasen high street and dating back more than 200 years, we have restored the building's unique heritage as part of our vision to embrace the history of the town.

Bright, inviting and full of warmth, people can access our modern classrooms through the Grange Cafe, a space where friends meet, conversations flow and everyone feels welcome.

Grange Hub, managed by our skilled and experienced teams from Clip and Riverside Training, will champion advice, support, skills, qualifications and pathways that lead to meaningful and fulfilling careers.

Working with our learners and the wider community we will help people build confidence, connection and a real sense of belonging in a safe environment, wherever they are on their journey. It will become a hub of innovation, vocation and enterprise right in the centre of Market Rasen.



Key features:

- 🌀 An inclusive centre of learning, skills and community support for people of all ages.
- 🌀 Specially designed, flexible classrooms and learning spaces suited to smaller, quieter groups and those who benefit from a more supportive environment.
- 🌀 A broad range of learning opportunities including essential skills, vocational tasters, wellbeing-related courses, digital skills, creative activities and pathways towards further learning or work.
- 🌀 Opportunities for volunteering, work experience and confidence-building activities, including vocational skills linked to hospitality, customer service and community engagement.
- 🌀 Space available for partners to use, supporting community access, advice sessions, skills delivery and local collaboration.
- 🌀 A fully refurbished historic bank building with restored heritage features, right in the centre of Market Rasen, creating a warm and inviting environment with access to small class learning.

We are successful due to the power of partnership.

Access our services; book spaces for meetings or events, use our cafe, or book our catering facilities. Or get in touch for how we can support each other.



At the heart of Grange Hub is our vibrant Grange Cafe which serves the local community with hearty, affordable meals using produce grown at Grange Barn.



The food is nutritious, great-value and served in a contemporary setting and an atmosphere built on connection.

It's a place where people can relax, participate and feel part of something bigger. Together, Grange Hub and Grange Cafe are helping to tackle loneliness and social isolation, improve wellbeing, confidence and health as well as provide a warm space in the colder months.



Key features:

- 🌿 Welcoming, comfortable community space offering affordable, nutritious meals made with produce grown at Grange Barn, plus a great cuppa and cake!
- 🌿 The first point of engagement for many people seeking support, information or connection.
- 🌿 A friendly space where people can meet, spend time, access information or simply feel part of the community.
- 🌿 A learning environment for hospitality, catering and customer service skills, with opportunities for volunteering and work experience.
- 🌿 Available as an informal meeting space or bookable venue for small events, activities and community gatherings.
- 🌿 A warm, inclusive environment that helps tackle loneliness, social isolation and supports positive wellbeing.



A multi-purpose space for the community

Use our space for social, work or catering services. Just email workwithus@acisgroup.co.uk to find out more.

Central to our vision is independence, dignity and confidence

This is perfectly embodied in Grange House - ten purpose-built, supported living apartments in the stunningly converted Grade II-listed building, formerly known as Market Rasen House.

These brand new, modern homes give adults with learning disabilities, physical disabilities and autistic people the chance to live fully and flourish, with the right support wrapped around them 24 hours a day.

Grange House, built as a doctor's home and later a home for helping young people, is again a place of rest, support and wellbeing, where people are empowered, connected and able to thrive in a place they are proud to call home.



The sympathetic conversion is made possible through key partnerships and investment from Acis Group, Lincolnshire County Council, West Lindsey District Council and Homes England.

Identified and placed by the local authority, those living in Grange House will, through purposeful activities at Grange Barn, become a major part of the local community.

Key features:

- 🌀 A carefully restored Grade II-listed building, retaining original features while being fully refurbished for modern supported living.
- 🌀 Ten accessible, purpose-built supported living apartments designed to promote independence, dignity and confidence.
- 🌀 Safe, secure homes with the right support on hand, including a dedicated care partner providing tailored, person-centred support.
- 🌀 Close to the town centre, transport links and community facilities, helping residents stay connected.
- 🌀 Access to outdoor and indoor shared spaces, with opportunities for purposeful activity linked to the wider Grange Collective.
- 🌀 Opportunities for residents who wish to take part in meaningful activity, including gardening, nature-based activities and community engagement.
- 🌀 Designed and specified around customer needs, with modern safety features and where possible accessible layouts.



Join us for future projects

Our approach is to design each building and specification uniquely to meet the area and customer needs. This project is no exception.

We're keen to work with others on new projects. Get in touch.

Occupying the expansive grounds of Grange House is Grange Barn - a beautiful blend of a stable block, an orangery and three acres of green space.



This space focuses on outdoor-based wellbeing, education and community activity to help increase confidence, skills and instil a farm-to-fork ethos that is so integral to this rural community.

The former stable blocks have been sympathetically transformed into flexible, multi-use spaces for training, community groups and skills development while the vast outdoor space provides a wealth of education, learning and wellbeing opportunities for people, including a wellbeing space with nature-based activities.

Our vision is for Grange Barn to be uniquely designed, delivered and maintained by the whole community. Across this site we are able

to offer access to wellbeing provision, courses, vocational learning and work experience with a focus on horticulture through Clip.

In addition, through Skills Centre Plus - our education service for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities - we can offer access to opportunities for learning differently.

Available to hire!

The stunning barn and outdoor space are available for hire by any partner.

Email workwithus@acisgroup.co.uk

Key features:

- A beautifully restored historic site combining stable block, orangery and green space to create a flexible, multi-use community asset.
- Light, bright indoor learning and meeting spaces suitable for small groups, community use, skills development and wellbeing activities.
- A developing nature-based activity space offering opportunities to enjoy the outdoors, learn new skills and build confidence.
- Outdoor learning activities across horticulture, growing, small animal care, food production and wellbeing.
- Space for local partners and groups to hire, use or collaborate on projects.
- Produce grown onsite will be shared with Grange Cafe or sold locally, providing practical skills in growing, preparing and selling produce.
- A site that will evolve over time with the involvement of the local community and partners.

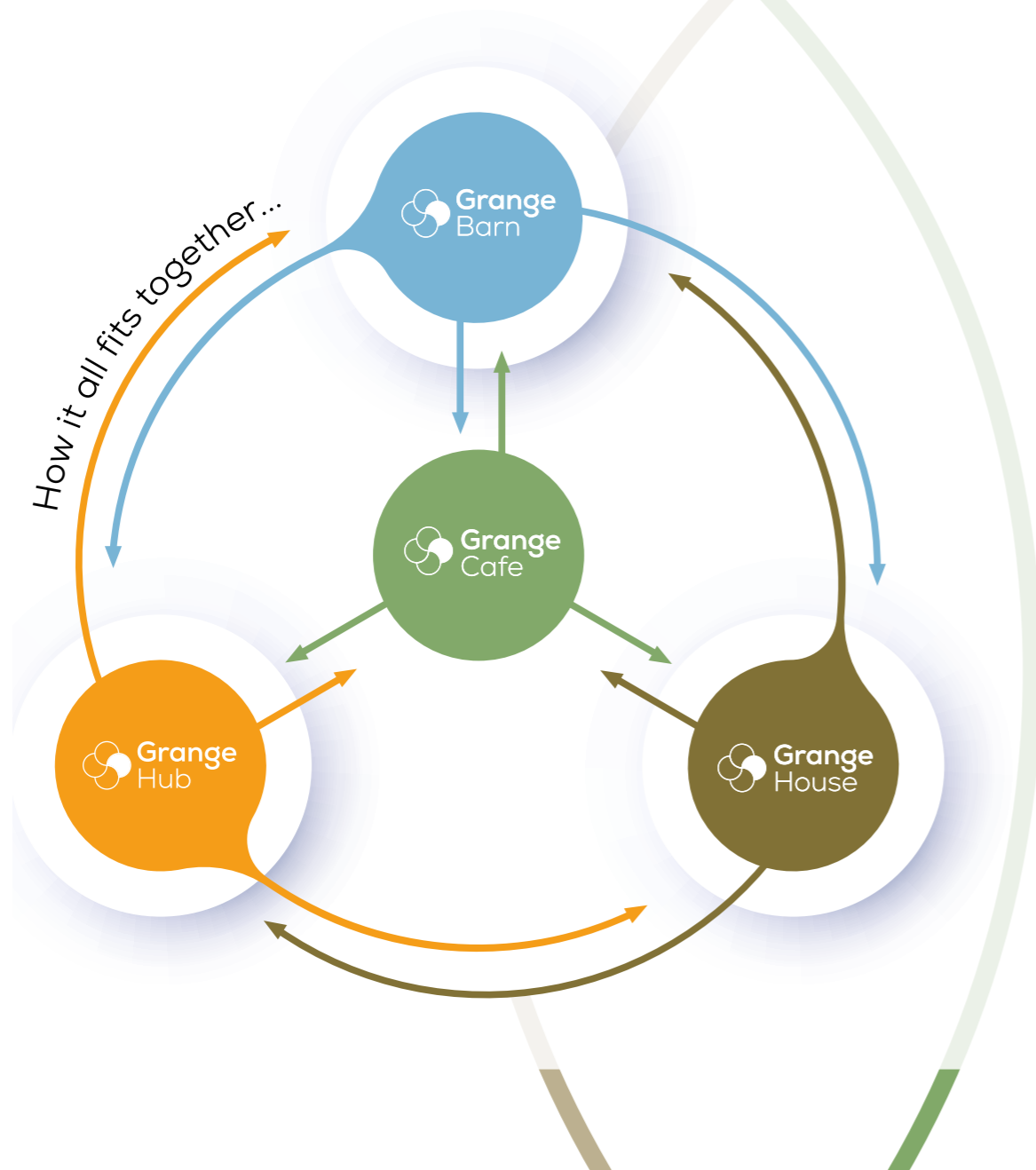
Join the journey

We would love to talk to partners who can support the development of our outdoor spaces.

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Growing at the Grange



Meet the Acis Family



Acis Group is a charity supporting communities through housing, education, wellbeing and skills. We operate across Lincolnshire, the East Midlands and into Yorkshire and the Humber.



Ofsted-rated Clip supports people of all ages with a wide range of full and part-time learning courses and helps to break down barriers through wellbeing projects and groups. It offers inclusive courses, confidence-building activities and wellbeing support across centres in Market Rasen, Gainsborough and Mablethorpe.



Riverside provides training, employment support and wellbeing services that help people of all ages get into or progress in work.



Acis Students offers safe, affordable and well-located student accommodation in Nottingham and Sheffield, with a range of room types and supportive services close to campus.



Campus for Future Living brings residents, organisations and partners together in a shared space to connect, learn and grow. It supports healthier, more active lives and provides space for public, private and voluntary organisations to work collaboratively for the community in Mablethorpe and nationally.



Skills Centre Plus offers alternative provision for 16–24-year-olds with an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP), delivering one-to-one programmes that build independence, confidence and vocational skills.

Be part of something special

The Grange Collective vision is hugely aspirational and we're confident it could set the benchmark for future projects to follow.

Whilst we have commitment from a range of partners who share our vision, including Lincolnshire County Council, West Lindsey District Council and Homes England, we still need more support to help this ambitious project reach its full potential.

If you want to be part of something truly special and change lives, contact workwithus@acisgroup.co.uk and join us on our journey.



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