

UKSPF Investment Plan - Year 3 2024/25 Project Call

Community and Place

Value of Call: UKSPF Capital: £768,000
Revenue: £376,636.16
Rural England Prosperity Fund: £292,140

Background and Information

North Lincolnshire has been allocated funds through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) as part of the Levelling Up agenda. The fund will target where there is a need to create and build pride in place, support the business sector and increase life chances through personal development and training to access employment. The fund will invest in three investment priorities: communities and place, support for local businesses, and people and skills.

This call is for projects under the **Community and Place** interventions for the financial year 2024/25 (1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025). This is the final year of the UKSPF programme therefore projects requiring funds beyond 31 March 2025 will not be accepted.

Interventions, Value and Example Projects

Applications are sought for projects that meet the criteria for the following interventions:

Intervention E2: Funding for new, or improvements to existing, community and neighbourhood infrastructure projects including those that increase communities' resilience to natural hazards, such as flooding

Types of activity included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of events programmes in community spaces • Protect community facilities and projects with minor flood defence equipment/works • Upgrades to community buildings to enable additional services to be provided
Example projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paying for additional kitchen appliances or small-scale facilities • Purchase of presentation aides e.g. projector screen, laptop, PA system, stage lighting, staging • Purchase of flood risk measures e.g. water pumps, flood barriers/doors, sandbags, community flood kits • Development of emergency plans
Funds available	Revenue £76,800
Who can apply	<p>Community buildings Community and Voluntary groups Town and Parish Councils Community Interest Companies Public Bodies</p>
High Priority Outputs and Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of organisations receiving grants • Number of neighbourhood improvements undertaken • Number of amenities/facilities created or improved • Number of local events or activities supported • Increased users of facilities/amenities • Improved perception of facility/infrastructure project

Intervention E3: Creation of and improvements to local green spaces, community gardens, watercourses and embankments, along with incorporating natural features into wider public spaces

Types of activity included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop new parks, community gardens or allotments. • Tree planting • Enable changes to the management of green spaces, verges etc. • Improve access to existing parks
Example projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvement of open green space e.g. community allotment/orchard • Cleaning of our watercourses • Creating new play spaces • Green features and displays in our villages and towns
Funds available	Revenue £32,651.52
Who can apply	Community and Voluntary groups Town and Parish Councils Community Interest Companies Public Bodies
High Priority Outputs and Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of neighbourhood improvements undertaken

Intervention E4: Enhanced support for existing cultural, historic and heritage institutions that make up the local cultural heritage offer

Types of activity included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development, restoration or refurbishment of local natural, cultural and heritage assets and sites • Delivery of outreach, engagement and participatory programmes for these local assets and sites
Example projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building improvements e.g. improved heating, lighting and energy saving measures • Exhibition materials and interpretation • Equipment/infrastructure to be able to deliver new events and activities • Sculpture trails • Settlement signs including associated costs • Community buildings at risk • Provision of new facilities
Funds available	<p>Capital £192,000 Revenue £133,184.64 Rural England Prosperity Fund (capital only) £142,140</p>
Who can apply	<p>Community and Voluntary groups Charities Town and Parish Councils Community Interest Companies Public Bodies</p>
High Priority Outputs and Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of organisations receiving grants • Number of organisations receiving non-financial support • Number of amenities/facilities created or improved • Number of tourism, culture or heritage assets created or improved • Number of events/participatory programme • Increased footfall • Increased visitor numbers

Intervention E6: Support for local arts, cultural, heritage and creative activities

<p>Types of activity included</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for maker spaces • Support for displays for artists to showcase work • Funding for cultural, heritage and creative events • Support for outreach/engagement/participatory programmes as part of wider local arts, cultural, heritage and creative activities • Support for the establishment/development of cultural/heritage collaborative networks to share knowledge locally
<p>Example projects</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for local art galleries/museums/libraries for exhibitions e.g. costs for materials, artist fees • Locally led music and theatre performances, tours, author events and film screenings • Equipment/infrastructure to be able to deliver new events and activities • Provision of new facilities • Feasibilities and community heritage projects • Purchase of appropriate display/storage equipment to ensure preservation
<p>Funds available</p>	<p>Revenue £33,600 Rural England Prosperity Fund (capital only) £150,000</p>
<p>Who can apply</p>	<p>Community and Voluntary groups Charities Town and Parish Councils Community Interest Companies Public Bodies</p>
<p>High Priority Outputs and Outcomes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of organisations receiving grants • Number of local events or activities supported • Number of volunteering opportunities supported • Increased footfall • Increased visitor numbers • Improved perception of facilities/amenities • Improved engagement numbers • Number of community led arts, cultural, heritage and creative programmes as a result of support

Intervention E8: Funding for the development and promotion of wider campaigns which encourage people to visit and explore the local area

Types of activity included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote the local area and its culture/heritage/leisure/visitor offer to residents and visitors. • Encourage visitors from further afield to visit and stay in the region, collaborating with other places where appropriate.
Example projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance of exhibition and associated promotional materials • Trails • Community tourism project • Promotional campaigns e.g. food tourism
Funds available	Revenue £9,600
Who can apply	<p>Community and Voluntary groups Charities Town and Parish Councils Community Interest Companies Public Bodies</p>
High Priority Outputs and Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of organisations receiving non-financial support • Number of people reached • Increased number of web searches for a place

Intervention E10: Funding for local sports facilities, tournaments, teams and leagues; to bring people together

Types of activity included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renovation/maintenance of existing sports facilities • Support for community sports leagues • Creation of new teams, leagues, and tournaments • Regeneration of an unused area to build sports facilities • Creation of new 3G sports pitches and other sports facilities
Example projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New or upgrade to sporting equipment and facilities e.g. changing facilities, nets, scoreboards, storage etc. • Tournament startup costs e.g. equipment, infrastructure, software • Training for coaching, referees, first aid and for volunteers
Funds available	<p>Capital £96,000 Revenue £14,000</p>
Who can apply	<p>Community and Voluntary groups Charities Town and Parish Councils Sports groups Public Bodies</p>
High Priority Outputs and Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of amenities/facilities created or improved • Number of tournaments supported (can include teams and leagues) • Improved perception of facilities/amenities • Increased users of facilities/amenities

Intervention E11: Investment in capacity building and infrastructure support for local civil society and community groups

<p>Types of activity included</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create or improve community buildings, for example, purchase of a building, renovation of community buildings, solar panels, energy saving schemes • Develop green space for the benefit of the community • Deliver new services to the community <p><i>Please note this fund cannot be used for general maintenance works.</i></p>
<p>Example projects</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of new community facilities/buildings • Renovation/upgrade work • Implementing energy saving measures e.g lighting and heating • Upgrade to windows and doors • Training for community/voluntary groups • Networking for community/voluntary groups <p><i>These measures must demonstrate that they will positively impact on the increased use of buildings/facilities which much be evidenced.</i></p>
<p>Funds available</p>	<p>Capital £480,000 Revenue £76,800</p>
<p>Who can apply</p>	<p>Community buildings Community and Voluntary groups Charities Town and Parish Councils Public Bodies</p>
<p>High Priority Outputs and Outcomes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of organisations receiving grants • Number of organisations receiving non-financial support • Number of amenities/facilities created or improved • Amount of green or blue space created or improved • Number of tourism, culture or heritage assets created or improved • Number of people attending training sessions • Improved engagement numbers

Outputs and Outcomes

Projects should provide outputs and outcomes that meet the funds criteria. Your application should identify those that are relevant and be quantified in your application. As this is a competitive process those projects who can deliver on our high priority outputs and outcomes will be highlighted at the Decision Making Panel.

In order to evidence outputs and outcomes you must have baseline information of current use, provision or position. You will be asked to provide robust data which demonstrates the achievement of the outputs and outcomes as a result of the funded project.

A full definition of each output and outcome can be found on [UK Shared Prosperity Fund | Invest in North Lincolnshire](#).

If you require any further guidance please contact the UKSPF Team – ukspf@northlincs.gov.uk.

Requirements

The UKSPF grant should ideally be defrayed by 31 January 2025 (but must be defrayed and evidenced no later than 17 March 2025) and the proposed outputs and outcomes achieved and evidenced by 30 September 2025. Successful applicants must have a proven track record of delivering similar initiatives/projects. You must be able to demonstrate a methodology for measuring, monitoring and reporting the intervention's outputs and outcomes and submit this information as requested by the Programme's Management Team for inclusion in any claims and Monitoring and Evaluation process.

Match funding is expected but there is no specific intervention rate, in kind contributions will be accepted. However, there is an expectation that projects will provide a minimum of 40% of the funds required. Applicants must demonstrate that the project can be fully funded and how it will be matched with other sources of funding and if this is in place. This project call will be open to projects to be delivered in the administrative area of North Lincolnshire Council in 2024/25 only.

A minimum grant of £2,500 must be applied for.

Process and Timescales

The deadline for submissions for this call is 11 December 2023. Assessment and appraisal of all submissions will take place by mid-January 2024 and decisions expected by end of February. Delivery of the project must be completed by 31 March 2025 with monitoring, evaluation and reporting ongoing. Projects may commence at risk but there is no guarantee that your project will be successful and is therefore at your own consequence. Project expenditure must not have occurred prior to April 2024.



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An application form to apply for funds under this call can be accessed from [UK Shared Prosperity Fund | Invest in North Lincolnshire](#). Applications must be submitted online. Supporting documentation should be uploaded but may be requested following receipt of your application.

Contact Details

Further information is available via email at: ukspf@northlincs.gov.uk

Reference Documents:

UK Shared Prosperity Fund: prospectus - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

UK Shared Prosperity Fund framework of Objectives, Outcomes and Outputs (England)

UK Shared Prosperity Fund Interventions List (England)