#### **CABINET**

#### 21st FEBRUARY 2025

## REPORT OF THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH, REGENERATION & TOURISM

## A.3 UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND TRANSITION YEAR 2025/26

#### **PART 1 – KEY INFORMATION**

#### PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To recommend acceptance of the 2025/26 UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), which totals £563,028, and the Council's approach to its allocation and alignment with the adopted External Grant Making Policy.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The UKSPF programme, established in 2022 by Central Government, is part of a wider programme which has allocated funding nationwide to Councils for locally led delivery. Funding has been delivered via Multiply, the Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF), and Shared Prosperity Fund Programmes.

As the current programme draws to a close at the end of 2024/25, a transition year has been announced by MHCLG for 2025/26, for UKSPF only. DEFRA is yet to make a formal announcement regarding any continuation of REPF and therefore this will be brought forward separately if any amount is to be allocated to Tendring. All money must be spent and fully delivered by 31 March 2026.

It was announced in December 2024 that Tendring had been allocated £563,028 (made up of £71,771 capital and £491,257 revenue), via an updated funding formula, to be allocated to projects across three themes in 2025/26. The themes are unchanged from the previous programme, and supported by sub-themes as follows:

- Communities and Place
  - Healthy, Safe, and Inclusive Communities
  - Thriving Places
- Supporting Local Business
- People and Skills
  - Employability
  - o Skills

As set out in Appendix A, the External Funding High Level Framework Checklist has been considered and completed.

It is proposed that the bulk of the funding allocated for 25/26 be made available via an open call for projects under each of the main three themes, and projects assessed for their value for money and fit into the sub-themes by Officers, continuing business as usual from the previous three-year programme, with one key difference. Rather than allocating specific amounts to each theme and sub theme, it is proposed to instead make the total amount available known and respond to need/demand as evidenced by the applications received, rather than allocating

a specific amount per theme then finding that some are over or under-subscribed, or otherwise unable to deliver by the 31 March 2026.

Applications will be welcomed from external organisations via the open call, as well as Council projects, and all will be subject to the same assessment process. Projects will be reviewed by Officers, to include due diligence on the applicant organisation itself as well as the veracity of the claims made about the project applied for, and in cases where match-funding is applied for, to check other funding sources are in place to ensure delivery of the project to meet the March 2026 UKSPF deadline. Decisions on whether to reject, award, or part-award will be made by the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism, and subject to call-in by other Members.

As part of the open call for projects, it is proposed to continue specifically two grant schemes which have been successful in the previous UKSPF scheme; 'Extend the Season' Events Grants, which link to ongoing work with town centres and Long-Term Plan for Towns funding, and Widening Participation Sports Grants, linked to the Sports Strategy. Further information on these Schemes, and a select number of other recommended projects which have demonstrated strong value for money, can be found at Appendix B.

It has also been considered that the funding landscape for 2025/26 is very different to that of the initial UKSPF Investment Plan submitted in 2022. Projects recommended at this stage in Appendix B, and invited via the proposed open call, have been/will be assessed as to whether UKSPF is the 'best fit' for project to ensure parity across the District as far as possible. For example, Community Regeneration Partnership (CRP, formerly Levelling Up Partnership, LUP) funding is limited to Clacton and Jaywick, and High Street Accelerator (HSA) funding is limited to Dovercourt, and both places are also receiving capital funded projects via Levelling Up Fund and Capital Regeneration Project funding. Therefore, in allocating UKSPF, these areas will not be excluded or weighted against specifically, but to ensure value for money of any particular project, UKSPF will not automatically be recommended where a strong project could be funded from another source.

As with the 2022-25 scheme, and as per the 2025/26 Technical Note, "Each lead local authority will be able to use up to 4% of their allocation by default to undertake necessary Fund administration, such as project assessment, contracting, monitoring and evaluation and ongoing stakeholder engagement." With up to four percent of the 2025/26 allocation available (£22,521.12), it is proposed to consider the potential to cover either staff costs or wider external support for the process. Any recommendation on this allocation would come forward via Executive Decision.

Monitoring will continue to take place in the same way as 2022-25, with six-monthly updates reported to Government via their bespoke Power App. This programme allows for spend, outputs, and outcomes delivered per quarter to be reported to Government and approved by the Council's s151 Officer. Further information on monitoring is included at Appendix B, as well as the published outputs and outcomes for 25/26 at Appendix C. All successful grant recipients receive a grant agreement letter which stipulates standard terms and conditions including the requirement to acknowledge the funding received, the requirement to provide evidence of spend in a timely manner, and financial clawback arrangements if money is found to have been misspent.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

It is recommended that Cabinet:

- a) following review of the External Funding High Level Framework Grants Checklist as attached in Appendix A, accepts £563,028 from UK Shared Prosperity Fund;
- b) subject to a) approves the allocation of: £40,000 to commission business support; £26,500 to the continuation of Local Cultural Education Partnership (LCEP) Officer role; £19,506 to the continuation of the Councils Town Centre Manager Role; £15,000 for Extend the Season Events Grants; and £25,000 for the Widening Participation Sports Grants scheme as set out in Appendix B;
- c) allocates the remainder of the UKSPF funding via an open call for projects in quarter one 2025/6 under the themes set out in the report;
- d) delegates to the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism to approve the criteria for assessment of grants under the UK Shared Prosperity Fund; and
- e) delegates to the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism to approve the award of grants to organisations under the UK Shared Prosperity Fund; and
- f) subject to a) delegates to the S151 Officer in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth and Tourism the power to sign the grant agreement and memorandum of understanding for the funding, when they are received from Government.

## REASON(S) FOR THE RECOMMENDATION(S)

The UKSPF 25/26 funding is being allocated by Government and will therefore be paid to the Council in the beginning of the new financial year. By recommending these projects and the launch of an open call (to run until the money is allocated in full), Officers are taking the time to prepare in advance of payment and maximise the time available for projects to be delivered in full by the deadline for spend, 31 March 2026.

The successful delivery of UKSPF over the last 3 years, and the provisions that have been put in place throughout this time, ensure that the projects that are already in place and recommended to continue (see Appendix B) would still meet the requirements set out in the simplified outputs and outcomes published by MHCLG (Appendix C).

Work at this stage is being prepared so that the team can move as efficiently as possible when the payment schedule, memorandum of understanding, grant determination letter, and the funding itself is received in the new financial year. With this in mind, it is proposed as part of this paper that a launch event take place in mid-March (date and location to be confirmed) alongside promotion of the opportunity for businesses and community groups to apply to the open call for funding.

Without approval at this stage, this preparation time will be lost, reducing time available for any projects to deliver.

#### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

As above, it was considered to not launch the open call and project approval until the new financial year; however, this reduced time would have an impact on the time available for tangible delivery. Any underspend money cannot be carried forward but rather paid back to Government if unspent by 31 March 2026.

The projects recommended in Appendix B have been selected from UKSPF 2022-2025 based on the success of their work, their impact, and the enthusiasm with which they have been taken up by the community, and the value for money they represent.

#### PART 2 - IMPLICATIONS OF THE DECISION

#### **DELIVERING PRIORITIES**

The outlined proposal aligns with the Councils Corporate Plan (Our Vision 2024-28) in the following areas:

- Working with partners to improve quality of life via inviting applications for funding across our District to address demand and need via partner organisations who may receive the available grants and inviting applications from elsewhere across the Council. By making the bulk of the allocation available via open call across the 3 themes but not ringfencing certain amounts per theme, the Council can assess applications received for their value for money and achieve balance across the 3 themes according to demand.
- Financial sustainability and openness via this opportunity for grant awards being made available to as many local businesses and groups as possible via the open call process.

**OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT** (including with the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee and other stakeholders where the item concerns proposals relating to the Budget and Policy Framework)

As part of UKSPF 2022 to 2025, Partners were consulted at a number of meetings to select initial projects, when an Investment Plan had to be submitted to access the funding in 2022 and again in 2023 when Government criteria changed to allow material changes to the originally submitted Plan. The open calls which have been opened (2023/24 and 2024/25) can also be viewed as community consultation as the awards have been made based on an assessment of the value for money offered by local business/community groups applications.

For this final year of UKSPF, it is recommended to continue with the open call model to allow for as much interaction and input from local businesses/community groups via their applications. Applications will continue to be assessed against value for money considerations, but this direct approach ensures that projects Districtwide can be considered and assessed based on demand and need locally.

The recommended projects to be internally led, see Appendix B, are recommended based on the success they have already demonstrated in the previous UKSPF allocation, bolster the success of those previously funded projects, and/or reduce a cost pressure on the Council which also meets the UKSPF criteria.

When a looking at approving both grants and open calls, a scoring criterion is used, and each is then double scored by a second Officer. This scoring criteria will be refreshed and again signed off in advance by the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration & Tourism.

Due diligence on each application is carried out by Officers using the tools available when a grant is being considered to be recommended for approval; this may include Companies House, NNDR, Land Registry, Charities Commission, and other appropriate means depending on the applicant. Then, when a grant is offered, Officers require that the applicant signs a Grant Agreement Letter to say they understand the allocation of funding is subject to their compliance with the terms and standard conditions that are set out on the offer letter.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS (including legislation & constitutional powers)				
Is the recommendation a Key Decision (see the criteria stated here)	YES	If Yes, indicate which by which criteria it is a Key Decision	<ul> <li>□ Significant effect on two or more wards</li> <li>□ Involves £100,000 expenditure/income</li> <li>□ Is otherwise significant for the service budget</li> </ul>	
		And when was the proposed decision published in the Notice of forthcoming decisions for the Council (must be 28 days at the latest prior to the meeting date)	Added to forward plan 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2025	

Acceptance of this funding is being proposed under the following legal powers:

Delegated Power Reference (in Part 3 of the Constitution):-

Part 3.34 (inward investment)

Part 3.38 number 3 (approval of grants to organisations)

The Report to Cabinet in September 2024, made reference to External Funding requirements: In addition to any requirements already set out within the Council's Constitution, key areas of consideration for accepting funding before any decision is undertaken include;

- 1. For any funding offered the grant conditions from the provider of the funding must be identified. This could include a Memorandum of Understanding, specific grant conditions, a legal agreement or by way of the application form if the funding was applied for.
- 2. Any grant conditions must be reviewed to ensure the proposed receipt of the funding can be used in accordance with those conditions. This should also include ensuring that the grant conditions for the funding align with the Council's Corporate Priorities.
- 3. The Council must comply with its internal governance framework when utilising external funding, for e.g. procurement procedure rules, timescales must be taken into account;
- 4. As part of this process organisational capacity to deliver any work must be considered both in terms of governance and delivery.
- 5. Consideration must also be given to ensure allocation of any funding received must be lawful and which legal powers are being relied upon.
- 6. Reference must be given as to whether allocation of the funding is appropriate for the Council to undertake or for example whether the provider of the funding should be allocating directly to recipients
- 7. Prior to receiving any funding a formal decision must be undertaken at an appropriate level. For significant level funding this is likely to be Cabinet.

# YES The Monitoring Officer confirms they have been made aware of the above and any additional comments from them are below:

In September 2024, Cabinet approved the External Funding High Level Framework (Minute No.53), which included a Grant Checklist within the Appendix which provides a process for the acceptance of external funding provision, a process for the provision of financial assistance to external bodies and other allocation of funding, with immediate effect. There is a clear

expectation that the checklist will be completed prior to accepting any funding from an external partner to support the decision making to accept funding.

The Cabinet report stated under the Grant Checklist heading; "Services are expected to follow the flow chart and checklists set out within the appendices which identify key areas to focus on when receiving and allocating funding and provide fairness and consistency across the Council. Services are expected to retain these checklists and use them to support formal decision making, throughout the duration of the associated schemes for audit purposes".

Attention has previously been brought to the Grant Checklist and advice provided that its completion is necessary to support this report to Cabinet.

## FINANCE AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The UKSPF is already administered by the Council, and therefore this represents a continuation of business as usual. Other than the income expected in the new financial year, totalling £563,028, no further implications are anticipated. As aforementioned, up to 4% of the total allocation is available for administrative costs, should that be required.

Consideration has been given to how this acceptance of funding and the proposed process would align with the Council's formally adopted External Grants High Level Framework Policy; see the completed required checklist at Appendix A.

By taking the recommendation to accept the funding to Cabinet, the Council is maintaining transparency around the funding available, and furthermore by recommending an open call process for applications internally from Council departments as well as external applicants to access the funding, a competitive process ensures transparency and fairness. Open call project applications would be subject to the policy's external funding checklist before making recommendations for approval via Executive Decision as outlined.

The Section 151 Officer confirms they have been made aware of the above and any additional comments from them are below:

At the time of printing, the S151 Officer had not yet reviewed the report. Any comments will therefore be provided ahead of or directly at the meeting as necessary.

#### **USE OF RESOURCES AND VALUE FOR MONEY**

The following are submitted in respect of the indicated use of resources and value for money indicators:

A) Financial sustainability: how the body plans and manages its resources to ensure it can continue to deliver its services;

UKSPF will continue to be administered by the Council as part of business as usual and requires no new allocation of further resource. Up to 4% of the total allocation can be used for administrative costs should that be required, but it is not anticipated that this would be the case and was not required during 2022-25 programme.

B) Governance: how the body ensures that it makes informed decisions and properly manages its risks, including; and

Each project will be subject to value for money considerations and, in the case of the existing Events grants and Sports Grants schemes, subject to double scoring against published

parity criteria to ensure of access. Recommended projects for award are then subject to approval via Executive Decision (with Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth. Regeneration and Tourism, and any other relevant Portfolio Holders on a case-by-case basis, for example Jan 2025 a project relating to Princes Theatre was also approved by the Portfolio Holder for Arts, Culture & Heritage) and the standard call-in process.

Standard due diligence to any applicant, including Companies House checks, Land Registry, Charities Commission etc. where applicable take place as part of the application appraisal process.

C) Improving economy, efficiency and effectiveness: how the body uses information about its costs and performance to improve the way it manages and delivers its services.

UKSPF will continue to be administered by the Officers as part of business as usual of the Council and requires no new allocation of further resource.

#### **MILESTONES AND DELIVERY**

It is proposed to hold a launch event for the open call in mid-March 2025, in view of Government having specified receipt of funding in the early part of the new financial year. This will allow for maximum time for selected projects to actually deliver.

Government also sets six-monthly reporting deadlines across the year which act as delivery milestones, and the final deadline for entire spend and delivery is 31 March 2026.

#### **ASSOCIATED RISKS AND MITIGATION**

By beginning the process early in 2025 to accept and allocate the funding, the Council is mitigating as far as possible the risk of underspend at the end of the 25/26 programme, which would result in returning money to Government.

As standard, Grant Offer Letters across the UKSPF contain clawback arrangements which would be pursued if necessary – for non-delivery, any misspent funds, etc. However, rigorous monitoring and reporting processes are in place in line with Government's six-monthly reporting requirements and therefore this has not, thus far, presented an issue in the life of the UKSPF.

#### **EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS**

This paper does not recommend any specific project; individual projects will be subject to EQIA procedures as part of the value for money criteria and individual project owners will be responsible for outlining how they have considered the equality implications of their project.

#### SOCIAL VALUE CONSIDERATIONS

The open call by its very nature will have social value considerations as a central consideration, as successful applications will be those which demonstrate tangible benefit to their communities; either by direct support such as community interventions or indirect support such as improved town centres and visitor economy.

## IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S AIM TO BE NET ZERO BY 2050

None. It is possible that some projects will work to address climate change, but this is as yet unknown. No project will be selected for recommendation which would have a negative overall impact on net zero efforts.

## OTHER RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS OR IMPLICATIONS

Consideration has been given to the implications of the proposed decision in respect of

the following and any significant issues are set out below.		
Crime and Disorder	None	
Health Inequalities	None	
Subsidy Control (the requirements of the Subsidy Control Act 2022 and the related Statutory Guidance)	Projects and grants awarded will be part of an open competitive process and therefore will not constitute subsidy.	
Area or Ward affected	All	

#### **PART 3 – SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

## **BACKGROUND**

Tendring District Council has administered £1.18m of UKSPF funding (over 3 years, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25) and £659,335 of REPF funding (over 2 years, 2023/24 and 2024/25), whereas Multiply was administered at County level. These amounts were awarded via funding formula rather than competitive process. The programmes were originally designed as part of the opportunity to replace previously accessible EU funding programmes.

## Select examples of UKSPF Funded projects are included below:

## Widening Participation Sports Grants

This grant scheme, set up and administered by the Councils under intervention E10, has provided £40,000 across the 3-year UKSPF programme, specifically for local clubs and groups to attract and retain new members/attendees, with grants of between £200 and £1,000 made available. In some cases, groups have benefitted from increased advertising, others have bought newer or more equipment to increase participation, and others have subsidised membership costs or coaching, where more specialised support is required.

## Examples include:

- Weeley Residents Association, which received circa £325 to purchase 2 new goals and a set of tabards to allow the over-50s walking football club to play outside in the Summer months
- Clacton Cannons Basketball Club received £1,000 to cover costs related to adding a new set of sessions aimed at encouraging girls to join and play the sport, with 15 new members added.
- Harwich Blues Baseball club, which received a grant of £685 to purchase baseball starter equipment kits to encourage more members to try the sport, and added 2 new members as a result with further trips to local schools arranged to continue to increase members.
- Clacton & District Table Tennis League, which received circa £330 to purchase more tables and nets to allow for more pairs to play simultaneously at each session.
- Walton & District Bowls Club, which received £1,000 to purchase adapted equipment to enable disabled members to join, as well as existing members with reducing mobility to continue to enjoy the sport.

Overall, the enthusiasm which the Widening Participation Sports Grants were met with by the

community, the range and variance of the activities and sports which have benefited, and the tangible benefit delivered for a relatively small grant, encourages Officers to recommend the scheme continues into UKSPF 25/26; see Appendix B.

## Extend the Season Events Grants

Along similar lines, this grant scheme was developed and administered by the Council to respond to the needs of the District's communities in terms of addressing reducing footfall in town and village centres, and also encouraging and facilitating groups and local businesses to run events by the community, for the community. Grants of up to £1,000 have been made available, with £30,000 allocated across 23/24 and 24/25 of UKSPF.

## Examples include:

- The Red Lion, Thorrington, received a grant of £1,000 to run a family fun day in Sept 2023 with live music, charity stalls, games and classic cars to view.
- Longhurst & Putt, Clacton, received £1,000 to host a film screening (the grant subsidised the ticket cost, making the event free to attend) in November 2023.
- Harwich Festival of the Arts received £991 to hold a combined arts workshop and exhibition for Chinese New Year 2024.
- Black Cactus, Great Bromley, received £1,000 for a free-to-attend Music Production Workshop and Songwriting Showcase aimed at aspiring musicians and songwriters, to take place in February 2025.
- Frinton Comedy Club received £1,000 to run a free kids comedy session in September 2024, having noticed a gap in the market for family events in the local area.
- Unsealed, Clacton, received £509 to organise and run a Halloween Trail 2024 which incorporated a number of other businesses around the town centre and encouraged themed window decoration.
- Jaywick Community Forum received £1,000 for the Community Action Day, which is
  due to take place in March 2025 and will feature the opportunity to raise issues with
  representatives from the emergency services, local authority and other public sector
  groups, as well as local entertainment/music, and food provided.

The scheme so far has excluded school holidays and the month of December, to increase footfall during traditionally quieter times of year in town and village centres. If the scheme is approved to continue for 25/26, see Appendix B, it is proposed to continue excluding December, but to begin to include school holidays, to provide free-to-access activities for children and families, and also to ensure spend in full before the 25/26 deadline of 31 March 2026.

## Volunteer it Yourself

Volunteer it Yourself is an organisation which provides young people not in education or training (NEET) with the opportunity to improve their local communities whilst gaining qualifications and experience, all under the expert eyes of qualified tradespeople and volunteer mentors. After the project is completed, the organisation continues to support the students by providing them with advice and guidance into paid employment or higher-level training. They have run hundreds of projects across the country, including other UKSPF-funded work, supporting both NEET students and the communities who benefit from improved local facilities.

In the Councils UKSPF open call 24/25, they applied for and received £19,500 with a further match funded £8,000 from other organisations (including Travis Perkins, Dulux, Toolstation) to redevelop the CVST Hub in Dovercourt, under a People & Skills E37 intervention. The project took place in October 2024, during which 30 young people referred by Market Field College and Nova Trust took part, and 21 gained an entry-level City & Guilds qualification as well as completing the CVST Dovercourt Hub expansion to a high standard. As a result, and with a People & Skills underspend advertised by the Councils, VIY applied for and were granted a further £42,150 (match funded again with an extra £10,000) to renovate two further community buildings in Tendring which are ongoing but will be completed by 31st March; Inclusion Ventures and Greenland Grove Animal Sanctuary, with a further cohort of students per project.

Finally, VIY is also being considered to complete works to the Harwich Innovation Cluster Pop Up, a separate UKSPF funded project which will improve facilities linked to Freeport East. Based on the success and social value of the projects already completed locally – as well as their experience around the country in delivering successful projects – a portion of the £25,000 currently allocated to providing this facility could be further allocated to complete this work by 31st March.

## Harwich Kindertransport Memorial and Learning Trust Ltd

The Trust received £5,000 in 24/25, after applying to the open call, to produce and deliver a short, animated film telling the story of the Kindertransport and Harwich's links to this important story. Designed to enhance work already undertaken and the placement of a memorial statue at the Quay in 2022, the video provides further historical context, accessible via the Trust's website and social media via QR codes near the statue itself.

As well as the memorial and contextual benefits of the video, this project will support the visitor economy of the area and be a strong draw for people looking to learn more about this area's vital part in the Kindertransport story.

#### **E13 Fuel Poverty Interventions**

Across the 3-year programme, circa £30,000 has been allocated to interventions to reduce and alleviate fuel poverty locally. Discussions across the UKSPF programme have been held with Officers in the Housing Team, and Partnerships, to align with existing community-based work to add value with this relatively small amount per year and have a tangible impact.

Projects selected included adding value to CVST's existing emergency food and fuel poverty voucher schemes with circa £10,000, which allowed for vouchers to be given via established partnerships with Family Solutions, Peabody, Homestart, ECC Social Care, Community 360, Open Road, local schools, Mind, and others. In the first year of UKSPF, 81 households in CO15 & CO16 were supported with food and/or fuel vouchers in proven emergency situations. A further £15,000 has been allocated for 24/25 and is ongoing, with similar outputs and outcomes expected by the end of this financial year.

Commercial outdoor heaters have also been installed at Jaywick Sands Sunspot in 24/25 at circa £5,000. This is a multi-benefit project, partly through developing the existing events facility into a community Warm Space alongside community outreach already ongoing at the Bistro @ Sunspot (not funded by UKSPF but in alignment with the overall goals, such as free Christmas Dinner 2024, and community evenings with Jaywick Community Forum and other

Sunspot businesses). Furthermore, this opportunity future-proofs Sunspot by increasing its value for revenue income by improving the hireable events space.

## PREVIOUS RELEVANT DECISIONS

Decisions have been published across the 3-year programme, below are a selection which gives a 'skeleton' timeline of work to date.

- Submission of UKSPF Investment Plan, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022 <a href="https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=9463">https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=9463</a>
- Exemption to Call-In to Accept the UKSPF Allocation, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022 <a href="https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=10509">https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=10509</a>
- Opening a Call for Projects, 26<sup>th</sup> June 2023 <a href="https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=11549">https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=11549</a>
- Year 2 (2023/24) TDC Led Projects, 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023
   <a href="https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=11628">https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=11628</a>
- Year 3 UKSPF Open Calls Decision, 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024, https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=12644
- Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF) Years 1 & 2, Shared Prosperity Fund (SPF) Years 2 & 3, 15<sup>th</sup> August 2024, https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=12711

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS AND PUBLISHED REFERENCE MATERIAL**

- Cabinet 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022, Item 39, Original submission of UKSPF Investment Plan <a href="https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=134&Mld=1978&V">https://tdcdemocracy.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=134&Mld=1978&V</a> er=4
- A diagram of the themes and sub-themes, and how they replace 2022-2025's UKSPF Interventions, can be accessed at section 1.1 of the UKSPF 25/26 Technical Note at the following link: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-prospectus/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-2025-26-technical-note">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-2025-26-technical-note</a>

#### **APPENDICES**

Appendix A: UKSPF External Funding High Level Framework Grants Checklist Appendix B: UKSPF Proposed 25/26 Projects, and Monitoring & Reporting Processes Appendix C: (not for publication due to having been shared by MHCLG with Councils due to receive funding, rather than published alongside other information on gov.uk) UKSPF 25/26 Outputs & Outcomes, published by MHCLG

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