

A3 Appendix A: External Funding High Level Framework Grants Checklist with reference to UKSPF Allocation 25/26, 21st February 2025

Checklist	Yes/No	Comments
Have conditions for allocating the funding been identified (grant conditions, assurance framework, MOU etc?)	Yes	The UKSPF Technical Note published by MHCLG states we are to expect an MoU, payment schedule, and grant agreement in March 2025.
Will the funding align with the Corporate Plan Themes and Priorities and state which one and why? What are the outcomes expected.	Yes	<p>Working with partners to improve quality of life – via inviting applications for funding across our District to address true demand and need via partner organisations who may receive the available grants and inviting applications from elsewhere across TDC. 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.</p> <p>Financial sustainability and openness – via this opportunity for grant awards being made available to as many local businesses and groups (as well as TDC) as</p>

		possible via the open call process.
<p>Is there organisational capacity for using the funding within the timescales expected?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Governance - Delivery <p>Have you consulted the relevant services where support is required?</p>	Yes	Delivery and monitoring of the UKSPF sits with the Economic Growth Team already (over the 2022-2025 programme) and therefore this continuation can be taken on as part of Business as Usual.
<p>Does the receipt of the external funding place additional financial and resource commitments on the Council? (For example, play equipment requiring maintenance)</p>	No	Until projects come forward it is not possible to specify per project what future costs would be to the Council; however, with the bulk of the allocation being revenue, examples such as the play equipment one provided would not be likely scenarios. Future costs to the Council will form part of the due diligence assessment criteria of the Open calls when they come forward, especially those which may be submitted for consideration via other TDC Departments.
<p>Which legal powers are being relied upon to support the use of the funding</p>		<p>Delegated Power Reference (in Part 3 of the Constitution):-</p> <p>Part 3.34 (inward investment)</p>

		Part 3.38 number 3 (approval of grants to organisations)
Have you undertaken a Subsidy Control assessment? If so, what was the outcome?	No	With the open calls representing a transparent and competitive process, no subsidy control issues are expected.
Is the Council best placed to allocate the funding (should it be allocated by the funder direct?)	Yes	This is a direct allocation from Central Government (MHCLG) and cannot be delivered by any alternative organisation.
Has a formal decision been taken to accept the funding at Cabinet or Portfolio Holder level?	Not as yet	Scheduled for Feb 21 st , 2025, Cabinet.