

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Date	Decision Maker	Decision	Reason(s) for Decision	Alternative Options Considered	Conflicts of Interest Declared (and Dispensations granted by the Monitoring Officer)	Consultation with relevant Ward Member(s) Yes/No	Subject to Call-in? Yes/No
22 nd July 2025	Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration & Leisure	In relation to the allocation of funds for year 4 of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration & Leisure agrees the following: a) to update the scoring criteria for the UKSPF grants (see annex); b) To agree to fund projects with the UKSPF allocation of £345,251. c) To approve 5 successful applications and allocate a total of £69,050 in in the People and Skills theme; d) To approve 9 successful applications and allocate a total of £138,100 in the Supporting Local Business theme;	To set out projects which will have funds allocated to them from year 4 of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) for approval by the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Regeneration & Leisure. 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. The programme initially drew to a close at the end of 2024/25, however, a transition year was announced by MHCLG for 2025/26. 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. Some of this funding has already been allocated by Cabinet (report in the link within this decision).	To not launch an open call funding scheme and reducing opportunities for local businesses and community groups to thrive. To give the funding to alternative projects, however we followed the scoring criteria rigorously. The proposed applications have been selected by the scoring panel by following approved criteria.	N/A	No N/A	Yes

		e) To approve 13 successful applications and allocate a total of £138,101 in the Communities & Place theme. Previous report: https://tdc-mgov-prd-01.tendringdc.gov.uk/documents/s73650/A3%20Report%20-%20UKSPF%202025-26%20Interim%20Year.pdf Decisions: https://tdc-mgov-prd-01.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?Id=13606 https://tdc-mgov-prd-01.tendringdc.gov.uk/documents/s74974/Officers%20Decision%20-%20Business%20Support%20Colbea%20signed%20by%20Lee.docx.pdf https://tdc-mgov-prd-01.tendringdc.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=13636	The themes are unchanged from the previous programme, and supported by sub-themes as follows: • Communities and Place • Supporting Local Business • People and Skills On 21 February 2025 Cabinet approved acceptance of the UKSPF 2025/26 and delegated the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism to approve the award of grants to organisations under the UKSPF. On 10 July 2025, the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism approved the scoring criteria to be used to assess these open call applications: Acceptance of the UKSPF 2025/26 Scoring Criteria A panel of officers drawn from across the Council applied the scoring criteria to assess the funding bids. The scores have been combined to identify those bids with the highest score. On the 9 July 2025, the panel discussed the highest scoring bids against the funding available. The Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, Regeneration and Tourism in the decision above is approving allocation of funding to the highest scoring bids as recommended by the panel.				
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			Lower scoring bids were not successful and have been rejected. There will be the opportunity for rejected bids to request their scores. Officers have now completed due diligence on the proposed successful bidders, and those proposed for funding have been assessed as compliant.				
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URGENT DECISIONS ONLY (If non-urgent go to “Agreement to Decision” below):-

GENERAL EXCEPTION APPLIES? (Rule 14 Access to Information Procedure Rules)	YES/NO	If yes, has at least 5 clear days notice been given to the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee?	YES/NO
SPECIAL URGENCY APPLIES? (Rule 15 Access to Information Procedure Rules)	YES/NO	If yes, has the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee's consent been obtained?	YES/NO
EXEMPTION FROM CALL-IN APPLIES? (Rule 18i Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules)	YES/NO	If yes, has the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee's consent been obtained?	YES/NO
URGENT & OUTSIDE BUDGET OR POLICY FRAMEWORK? (Rule 6 Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules)	YES/NO	If yes, why is it not practical to convene a quorate meeting of full Council?	
		If yes, has the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee's consent been obtained?	YES/NO

AGREEMENT TO DECISION:-

Signed:-	Date:-	Delegated Power Reference (in Part 3 of the Constitution):- Part 3.34 (inward investment) Part 3.38 number 3 (approval of grants to organisations)
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