

UK Shared Prosperity Fund

North Yorkshire
Investment Plan

First Draft – 9th June 2022

UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND – North Yorkshire Investment Plan Timeline

UKSPF - INVESTMENT PLAN FOR NORTH YORKSHIRE (TIMETABLE)

	June				July			
	w/c 6th	w/c 13th	w/c 20th	w/c 27th	w/c 4th	w/c 11th	w/c 18th	w/c 25th
Investment Plan Submission to UK Govt	Draft Investment Plan Produced - 10/06				Final Investment Plan produced - 07/07		Submit Investment Plan to UK Govt - 22/07	Submission window closes - 01/08
NYCC Executive				Papers to prepare by 01/07 (for NYCC Executive on 19/7)			NYCC Executive (sign-off) - 19/07	
NYCC Approvals						NYCC Approvals (Chief Executive Officer; Section 151 Officer; Leader)		
Local Partnership Group		Local Partnership Group - 16/06			Submit - Final Investment Plan - 07/07	Local Partnership Group (sign-off) - 14/07		
MP Liaison Group	MP Liaison Group - 06/06				MP Liaison Group (sign-off) - 04/07			
LEP Business Board	LEP Business Board - 06/06							
LEP Skills & Employability Board						LEP Skills & Employability Board - 14/07		
Communities & Place tbd	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc
Stakeholder Engagement (Priority Theme Webinars)			Stakeholder Engagement - Priority Theme Webinars (23/6 & 24/6 (x2))					
Steering Group		Steering Group - 13/06		Steering Group - 27/06		Steering Group - 11/07		



UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND – Investment Plan Contents



1. Local Challenges and Opportunities – for each investment priority
2. Interventions – for each investment priority
3. Approach to Delivery and Governance
4. Capacity and Capability
5. Approvals



Challenges

- Demography – ageing population
- Rurality – isolation/accessibility
- Issues and challenges within our town centres
- Areas of multiple deprivation (In lowest 25%)
- Food and fuel poverty on increase.
- Loss of local services
- Health inequalities and health, wellbeing and disability issues
- Raise capacity within communities
- Digital isolation
- Opportunities for Young people
- Climate change and decarbonisation



Opportunities

- Strong culture and heritage assets
- Strong volunteering and community activity built up around Covid 19
- Build on pilot projects
- Build on outcomes of energy CRF programme
- Creativity and innovative models of delivering services
- Community wealth building approach to encourage social action
- Role of community anchors/CSOs



Interventions

- E9/E11/E12/E15: Volunteering, capacity building, community engagement and community facilities.
- E1/E8/E15: Town centres and visitor campaigns
- E3/E7/E10: Green spaces, active travel and sports
- E13/E2: Reduce cost of living and community resilience
- E4/E6: Culture, heritage, arts and creative activities
- E14: Feasibility Studies



Programmes

- Community based capacity building and wealth creation programme** developed (yr1/yr2/yr3)
- Towns and Places fund** established (all years)
- Establish an **Active and Healthy Communities fund** (All years)
- Develop an **energy and climate resilience programme** (developed from CRF) (yr 2 and 3)
- Develop locality based **culture and heritage support programme** (yr 2 and 3)
- Feasibility fund** established (yr1 and 2)

Local Business Support - Challenges Opportunities Interventions

Challenges

- Low productivity and a widening productivity gap
- Low wage economy
- Rurality – delivering across rural areas
- Supply chain issues
- Business skills
- Well being and health within the workforce
- Needs of community and social enterprises
- Businesses and towns impacted by Covid 19
- Low levels of export and inward investment
- Poor infrastructure in parts of North Yorkshire
- Low take up of R&D
- Resource efficiency/resilience and decarbonisation of businesses

Opportunities

- Build on successful programmes
- Target on areas, types and sectors of business
- Raise productivity
- Create higher paid/quality jobs
- Build on existing structures/networks and offers
- Develop further innovation and Rand D through good research asset base
- Community wealth building approach to develop community enterprise
- Sector opportunities
- Reshape our visitor, town centre and hospitality sector
- Attract new investment, jobs and increase export opportunities
- Developing a greener/fairer and stronger economy

Interventions


- E31: Feasibility studies
- E23/E24/E30: Start ups, training, business support offers and measures
- E26: Local social economy
- E16/E17: Town centre retail, service sector and visitor economy
- E28/E22: Export, trade, infrastructure and innovation
- E18/E19/E20/E21: Innovation, and Research and development
- E29/E32: Decarbonisation and resilience

Programmes

- Feasibility studies fund programme** (yr 1/2/3)
- Enhanced **Growth Hub and Business support offers**. (Yr 1/2/3)
- Small business grants/voucher programme** (yr2/3)
- Community business and community wealth building programme** (linked to communities and places) (yr 1 feasibility/yr2/yr3)
- Town Centres and Visitor Economy Support programme** established. (Yr 2/3)
- Innovation and R&D programme** (Yr 2/3)
- Investment and trade programme** Yr 2/3)
- Business resilience, decarbonisation and resource efficiency programme** (yr 2/3)


People and Skills - Challenges Opportunities Interventions

Challenges




- Lack of participation in learning and work
- Low take up of level 3 qualifications and declining numbers in adult education
- Ageing population
- Recruitment issues
- Health, well being and disability issues
- Rurality – delivering across rural areas
- Lack of employer engagement and understanding of benefits of training/skills support
- Lack of appropriate ‘adult’ provision eg bitesize, modular
- Deficit of high skilled employment
- Digital and technical skills gap
- Lack of accessible and ‘timely’ IAG for inactives and those in work

Opportunities




- Tried, tested and successful community delivery models
- New employment/sector opportunities
- Well developed skills and training provider networks
- Build on existing well developed skills and training provider networks
- Community wealth building approach to develop skills and employment opportunities
- Improve progression routes from entry level to higher level skills/training

Interventions



- E33: Inactives
- E38: Tech and vocational training
- E39: Green Skills
- E40: Retraining for those in high carbon sectors
- E41: Local digital skills
- E37: Barriers to accessing education and training
- E34: Basics skills
- E35: Volunteering
- E36: Digital Inclusion

Programmes



- Wrap around key worker support **programme for inactives** (yr 1,2,&3)
- Sector specific’ Pre bootcamps’ programme** (yr3)
- In work support and progression programme** (yr3)
- Targeted young people programme** 14-24 years (yr2&3)
- Community based Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) programme** (yr3)

Timeline for Programmes

Building capacity, local pride, empowering our communities, raising productivity for a Greener, fairer, stronger North Yorkshire



Year 1 (2022/23) £2m

Business and Community Feasibility Study programmes developed

Feasibility into creation of a community wealth programme undertaken

Enhance business support offer. Develop specifications for future offers.

Support Vol com sector with gap funding.

Commission specifications for further programmes



Year 2 (2023/24) £4m

Establish and launch further Business programmes/offers

Establish locality community programmes

Launch Active and Healthy fund

Launch Towns Fund

Launch Heritage and culture fund



Year 3 (2024/25) £10m

Skills and people programmes commissioned

Expansion of programmes launched in 2023.

Full delivery of funding and support programmes



Potential cross area programmes

Working with York.

Business Support Programmes

Skills and People

Discussions are on going...

Engagement, Delivery and Governance

Engagement. So far...

- Steering Group – wide range of organisations involved.
- Small Workshops – Mixed group one for each of the Investment priorities
- NY MPs group
- Voluntary and community sector meeting
- LEP Board/Skills Board and Business Board
- Network meetings.

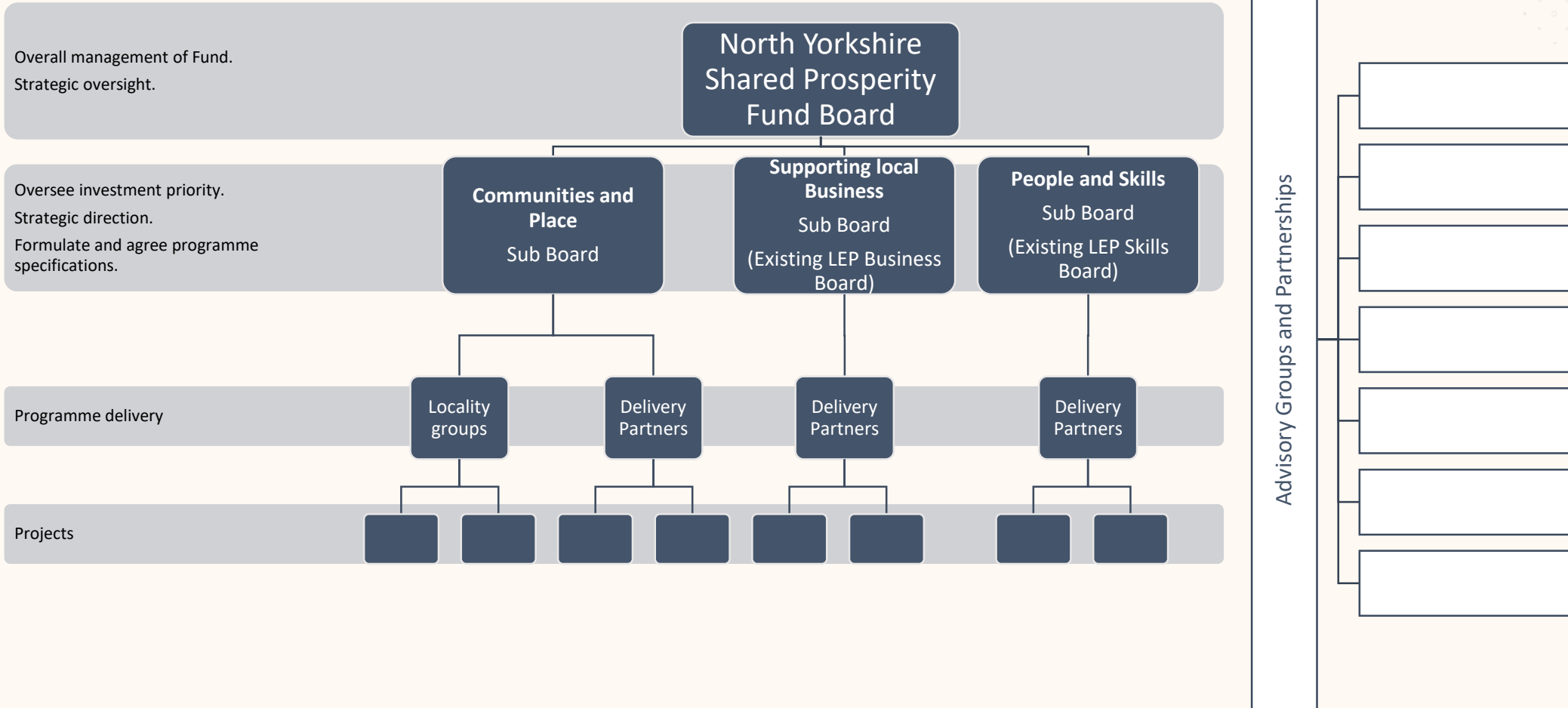
Engagement. Next...

- Partnership Board (first meeting 16th June)
- Wider Webinars – one for each Investment priority
- Thriving Communities Partnership
- LEP sub Boards
- Further discussion groups.

Partnership Board membership

- Representatives from the lead local
- Local businesses and investors
- Business support providers or representative
- Local partnership boards and strategic bodies where relevant
- Regional representatives of arms-length bodies of government where appropriate
- Prominent local community & faith organisations
- Voluntary, sector social enterprise and civil society organisations, including Third Sector Interface Groups in Scotland
- Rural representatives unless there are no rural communities within the area

GOVERNANCE



Capacity and Resources

4% of allocation can be used for management and administration of the Fund.

We are looking to:
Build on existing delivery, management and administration functions;
Integrated with other funding programmes (e.g. Bootcamps)
Bring resources together across the area;
Look towards transition to NY and also CA.

PROPOSAL:

Expand the existing resource within the LEPs Delivery Team.

To include:

- SPF secretariat Manager
- Programme Officer for each Theme
- Appraisal Officer
- Legal officer (funding agreements)
- Finance and claims support

This may involve existing roles and/or secondments.

More details are being drawn up.