

**UK Shared
Prosperity Fund**

North Yorkshire UKSPF Webinar Update

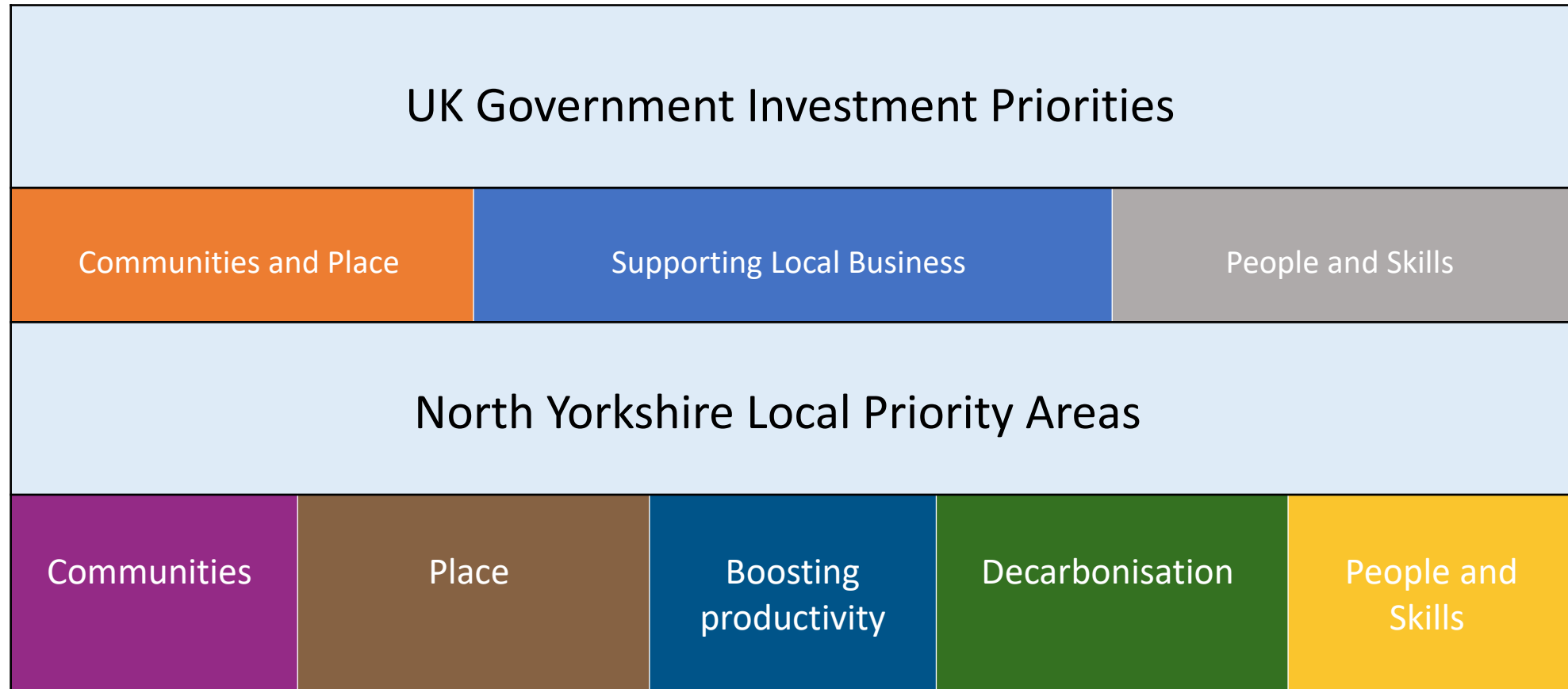
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Progress Update

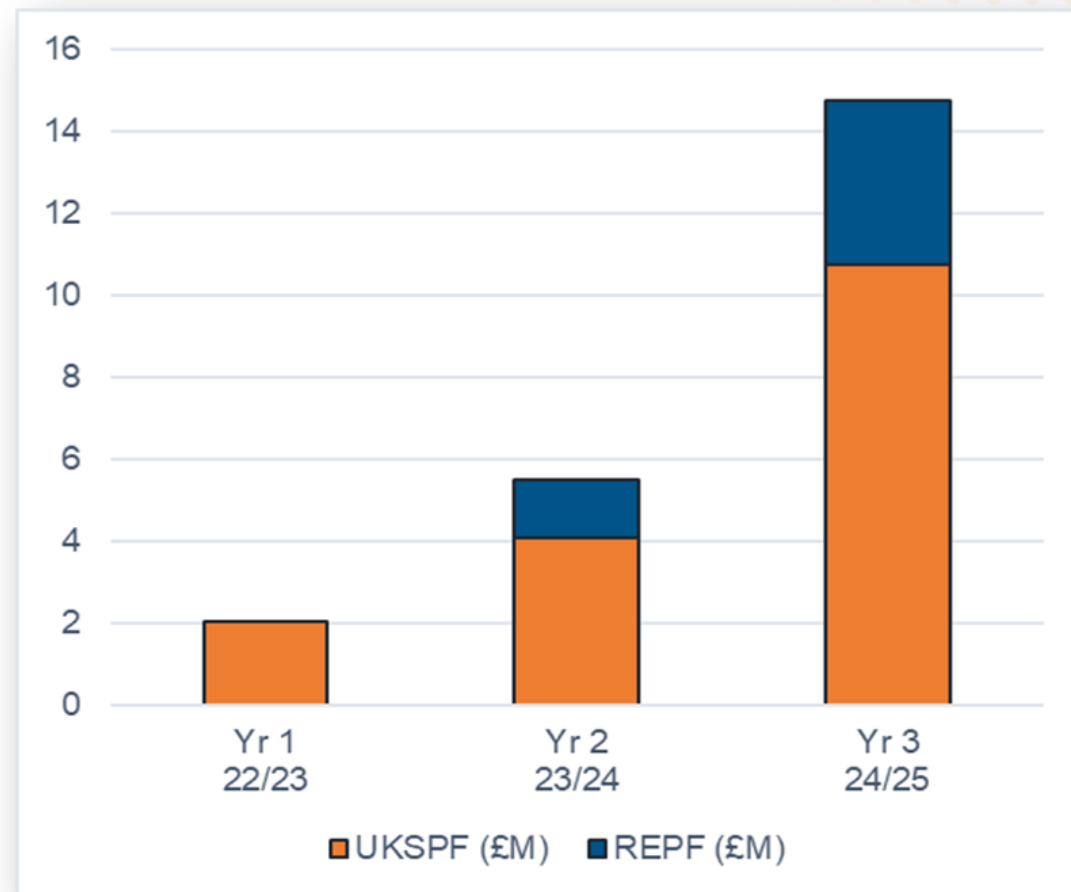
Programme Structure and Priorities



Overall Funding Reminder

Funding Profile and Timeframe

| | 22/23 Yr 1 | 23/24 Yr 2 | 24/25 Yr 3 | Total |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|
| North Yorkshire Allocation (UKSPF & REPF) | £2,050,117 | £5,454,510 | £14,856,919 | £22,361,546 |
| Revenue | £1,845,105 | £3,567,201 | £8,594,084 | £14,006,390 |
| Capital | £205,012 | £1,887,309 | £6,262,835 | £8,355,156 |



What's Coming Online?

The Prospectus

- Brings together a timetable and advance notice of what is in the pipeline:
 - 5 People and Skills
 - 10 Decarbonisation
 - 1 Boosting Productivity
 - 1 Pride in Place
 - 3 Communities
- Combination of revenue and capital funding (merging SPF and REPF)
- Combination of small grants, call for lead providers, support and/or audits
- Seeking contracting over 23/24 and 24/25
- Hiding the wiring (especially when more than one programme could be relevant)

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Communities: Tackling Rurality & Inequalities

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UKSPF Prospectus - Communities and Place

Objectives

- Strengthening our social fabric and fostering a sense of local pride and belonging, through investment in activities that enhance physical, cultural and social ties and amenities, such as community infrastructure and local green space, and community-led projects.
- Building resilient, safe and healthy neighbourhoods, through investment in quality places that people want to live, work, play and learn in, through targeted improvements to the built environment and innovative approaches to crime prevention.

Communities: Tackling Rurality and Inequalities

Objectives

- Building Capacity within our places and people
- Generating New Ideas for Community Regeneration
- Promoting Healthy and Active Communities
- Increasing levels of Digital Inclusion

UK Shared Prosperity Fund and Rural England Prosperity Fund Interventions

- E7: Support for active travel enhancements in the local area.
- E9: Funding for impactful volunteering and/or social action projects to develop social and human capital in local places.
- E10: Funding for local sports facilities, tournaments, teams and leagues; to bring people together.
- E11: Investment in capacity building and infrastructure support for local civil society and community groups.
- E14: Funding to support relevant feasibility studies.
- E15: Investment and support for digital infrastructure for local community facilities.

Communities – 3 New Programmes + Feasibility studies

Community Grants

- Local grass roots activities, community engagement projects, training, projects or events

Community Buildings & Village Halls

- Capital grants fund to improve facilities in community buildings and village halls

Sport & Active Travel

- Revenue and capital grants to increase participation in active travel and create more access and opportunity to take part in sport and physical activity.

Feasibility Studies

- Applications continue to be welcomed for feasibility studies and pilots

Communities: Community Grants Programme

About the fund:

The community grant programme is for local grass roots activities, community engagement projects, training, projects or events that contribute to one or more of the following priorities:

- Increased local community action, engagement, and participation
- Increased community resilience
- Increased opportunities for volunteering
- Financial inclusion
- Improved access to facilities and services – particularly in rural communities
- Development of local action plans and local networks and partnerships

Financials

- Funding available: £300,000 - 2023/2024
£300,000 – 2024/2025
- Revenue funding
- Grants anticipated from £2,000 to £20,000
- Assessment panel every 2 months
- Once open, applications will be welcome until 30 September 2024
- All projects will have to be fully completed by 31 March 2025.

Additional information

- Full guidance will be available **early October** - no applications will be reviewed before launch
- We are particularly interested in applications that provide services, opportunities, and positive experiences for young people (16+) and families.
- The fund is open to not-for-profit organisations including charities, community groups, faith groups and social enterprises.

Communities: Village Halls and Community Buildings Grants

About the fund:

A capital grants fund to improve facilities in community buildings and village halls that result in greater community participation and levels of volunteering. The fund will support improvements to buildings and purchases of large capital equipment.

Financials

- Funding available: £100,000 - 2023/24
 £450,000 - 2024/25
- Capital funding
- Grants anticipated from £5,000 to £49,000
- Assessment panel every 2 months
- Once open, applications will be welcome until 31 March 2024
- All projects will have to be fully completed by 31 March 2025.

Additional information

- Full guidance will be available **early October** - no applications will be reviewed before launch
- The fund is open to not-for-profit organisations who operate village halls and community buildings that are available for use by the whole community.
- The funding for this programme is from the Rural Prosperity Fund and *excludes* the towns of Scarborough, Harrogate and Knaresborough.

Communities: Sport and Active Travel Programme

About the fund:

To increase participation in active travel and create more access and opportunity to take part in sport and physical activity.

Financials

- Funding available: Revenue - £150,000 - 2023/24
Capital - £50,000
Revenue - £575,000 - 2024/25
Capital - £350,000
- A mix of Revenue and Capital funding
- Grants anticipated from £3,000 to £20,000 for revenue projects (up to £49,000 for capital projects) - match funding will be discussed with each applicant
- Assessment panel will review application monthly (end of the month)
- Once open, applications will be welcome until end of September 2024
- All projects will have to be fully completed by 31 March 2025.

Additional information

- This fund is being managed and administered by North Yorkshire Sport
- Full guidance will be available from **1st October** when the fund will open
- Applications should consider impacting the following groups:
 - Culturally diverse communities
 - Those on low incomes
 - People with long term health conditions
 - Disabled people
 - Young People

Application Process

Submitting an application

- All applications for Community Grants and Community Buildings and Village Halls should be submitted to: UKSPF@northyorks.gov.uk
- Pre-application/eligibility information may be requested in advance of Full Applications in order to check that applications are both eligible and fit with the strategic aims of the programme themes
- Applicants may be directed to other themes if the project fits better under that theme
- Applicants may submit a full application without a pre-application however this will still be subject to pre-application gateway checks and sifting.
- The whole process should take 3-4 months
- Applications for Sport and Active Travel Grants will be managed by North Yorkshire Sport

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**Building Pride in our
Places**

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Building Pride in our Places

UK Shared Prosperity Fund and Rural England Prosperity Fund Interventions:

- E1: Funding for improvements to town centres and high streets, including better accessibility for disabled people, including capital spend and running costs.
- E3: Creation of and improvements to local green spaces, community gardens, watercourses and embankments, along with incorporating natural features into wider public spaces.
- E4: Enhanced support for existing cultural, historic and heritage institutions that make up the local cultural heritage offer.
- E6: Support for local arts, cultural, heritage and creative activities.
- E16: Investment in open markets and improvements to town centre retail and service sector infrastructure, with wrap around support for small businesses.
- E17: Funding for the development and promotion (both trade and consumer) of the visitor economy, such as local attractions, trails, tours and tourism products more generally.
- E31: Funding to support relevant feasibility studies.

Places: Outputs and Outcomes

| Intervention | UKSPF Outputs | UKSPF Outcomes | REPF Outcomes |
|------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| E1 Town Centres | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No of commercial buildings developed or improved Public realm created or improved (m2) No of decarbonisation plans developed Land made wheelchair accessible (m2) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased footfall Increased visitor numbers Reduced vacancy rates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved perception of facilities or amenities Increased users of facilities or amenities Improved perceived or experienced accessibility Number of businesses created Increased footfall Increased visitor numbers Increased use of cycleways or paths Jobs created Jobs safeguarded Improved engagement numbers Number of community-led arts, cultural, heritage and creative programmes Improved perception of events |
| E3 Green Spaces | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green or blue space created or improved (m2) Public realm created or improved (m2) Land made wheelchair accessible (m2) | | |
| E4 Heritage | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organisations receiving grants Tourism, culture, heritage assets improved | | |
| E6 Culture | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organisations receiving financial support other than grants Local events or activities supported | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased footfall Increased visitor numbers Community led arts, culture, heritage programmes | |
| E16 Markets E17 Visitor Economy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Businesses receiving grants Businesses receiving non-financial support Potential Entrepreneurs provided assistance Tourism, culture, heritage assets improved People reached | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased footfall Increased Visitor numbers Reduced vacancy rates Jobs created / safeguarded New businesses | |

Building Pride in our Places; Outputs and Outcomes

| Intervention | 23/24 £ | 24/25 £ | Total £ |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| E1 Town Centres | 376,000 | 864,000 | 1,240,000 |
| E3 Green Spaces | 100,000 | 300,000 | 400,000 |
| E4 Heritage | 83,000 | 250,000 | 333,000 |
| E6 Culture | 240,000 | 624,000 | 864,000 |
| | 83,000 | 250,000 | 333,000 |
| E16 Markets | 40,000 | | 40,000 |
| E17 Visitor Economy | 120,000 | 260,000 | 380,000 |
| | 150,000 | 450,000 | 600,000 |
| Total | 1,192,000 | 2,998,000 | 4,190,000 |

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'Places' Funding Profile

| | 2023/24 | 2024/25 | Total |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total funds approved so far: | 517,733 | 385,512 | 903,245 |
| Total funds recommended for support subject to final approval. | 420,000 | 624,000 | 894,000 |
| Visitor Economy allocations | 100,000 | 100,000 | 200,000 |
| Contribution to Village Halls Fund | | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Total | 1,037,733 | 1,042,000 | 2,088,500 |
| Remaining Funding | 154,267 | 1,956,000 | 2,101,500 |

Year 1 Investments

- Town centre regeneration projects in Northallerton, Skipton and Harrogate / Ripon
- Festivals and promotional activity in Harrogate, Selby and Scarborough
- Feasibility in Richmondshire
- Visitor Economy research, marketing and promotion ahead of new North Yorkshire branding and structures

Year 2 Investments

Appraised Year 2 applications with successful outcomes

- Cultural / Heritage capital projects including Malton Wesley Chapel restoration, Eden Camp restoration, North Yorkshire Moors Railway Mutual Improvement Classroom, Hudswell Church – Hostel Development
- Arts and Culture Revenue Projects – Selby and Tadcaster “Now Then” - Programme of cultural activities and events, Northallerton Heritage Hub, feasibility projects
- Visitor Economy marketing and promotion ongoing

Year 3 Investments

➤ It's up to you.....

Application Process

Submitting an application

- Submit a pre-application form to UKSPF@northyorks.gov.uk. (If you have previously submitted an 'Expression of Interest', there is no need to repeat this step and submit a pre-application form. We will advise next steps).
- Pre – applications will be sifted for eligibility and strategic fit with this and other programme themes.
- Following pre-application, applicants may be asked to submit a full application for appraisal, may be directed to other themes, or asked for further clarifications. Successful applications will be given a funding agreement.
- Applicants can choose to submit a full application without a pre-application. This will still be subject to pre-application gateway checks and sifting.
- The whole process should take 3-4 months.

Timetable for the remainder of the 'Places' programme

These timeframes are indicative and may change if funding is available

- 12 September 2023 Webinar
- 31 December 2023 Final Pre-application / Application submissions
- January 2024 Whole programme review to identify any remaining funds
- January 2024 – March 31st 2024 Reserve applications and final call for year 3 spending
- 31 July 2024 Last contracts signed / sealed
- 31 March 2025 Programme Completion

Key application criteria in 'Places' Theme

'Places' is a grant giving process without third party delivery.

Key criteria are as follows:

- Projects over £25,000 need c. 50% match funding. This is assessed as value for money. The maximum grant is £400,000.
- Projects should contribute to the programme's objectives and UKSPF 'Levelling Up' aims
- Projects should correspond to one or more of the 'Places' Interventions (identified in Slide 14) and contribute to the outputs and outcomes (identified in Slide 15)
- Projects must be deliverable by the end of March 2025. Any doubt and funding will not be awarded.

To Recap...

Thank you for joining us today

Please contact us to register for updates (likely to be monthly)

Please keep checking the website for new releases and programme guidance

Please read the guidance - it will differ from programme to programme

Always use the UKSPF@northyorks.gov.uk inbox - this will ensure nothing is missed by the team

We will identify a lead contact for you to work through

Please don't apply until a programme is open - we may not be able to respond swiftly