

UK Shared Prosperity Fund 2025-26 Member Briefing

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Teignbridge's approved UKSPF Investment Plan submission [UK Shared Prosperity Fund Full Council 26 July 2022.pdf](#)



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UKSPF 2022-25 & REPF 2023-25 Projected Spend Profile

	Overall Allocation £	Yr1 Spend £	Yr2 Spend £	Yrs3 Projected Spend £	Total Projected Spend £
UKSPF	1,639,624.00				
Green Business Grant (GBG)	600,000	150,271	205,476.79	215,954	571,701
Teignbridge Arts Project	300,000	-	4,950	303,913	308,863
Markets and Town Centres	286,000	-	10,670	238,194	248,864
Business Support for Clean Growth	144,000	-	-	144,000	144,000
Violence against Women and Girls	244,000	32,580	80,779	105,130	218,489
Admin	65,585	14,865	21,434	29,286	65,585
Totals:		197,716	323,310	1,036,477	1,557,503
Rural England Prosperity Fund	650,332				
Rural Communities Fund (GBG)	300,000		0.00	415,673.15	415,673
Rural Transport and Connectivity Fund	200,000		0.00	211,762.50	211,763
Rural Broadband (reallocated to Rural Communities)	150,000		-	-	-
Totals:		-	-	627,436	627,436
	2,289,956.0				

UK Shared Prosperity Fund 2022-25

Projects Completed and being Finalised

UKSPF - Green Business Grant

Allocation: £600,000

Project Spend 2022-25: £571,701

- Open businesses and charities (freeholders or tenants).
- Grants between £3k and £25k (reduced to £20k Year 2)
- 80% intervention rate for businesses (reduced to 50% & £10k max for solar panels year 3)
- 100% intervention rate community/charities

Projects to reduce energy costs/carbon omissions e.g. air source heat pumps, solar panels, double glazing.

Case Study: Shaldon Zoo £7k project delivering new LED Lighting & Double Glazing to enclosures



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REPF - Business Communities Fund (GBG)

Allocation: £450,000 (£300,000 originally plus £150,000 reassigned from Rural Broadband Project)

Project Spend 2022-25: £415,673

Despite the Rural Broadband project being approved as part of TDC's original Investment Plan, DEFRA later withdrew the scheme and the funding of £150k was reallocated to Rural Communities/GBG Fund:

- Project extension of Green Business Grant with the same rules applied
- Locally applied restriction for rural district areas (excluding Newton Abbot, Teignmouth and Dawlish).

Case Study: Teign Valley Community Hall double glazing and doors £25k



UKSPF - Teignbridge Arts Project

Allocation: £300,000

Project Spend 2022-25: £308,863

- TDC created an Advisory Board (reps from local arts orgs)
- Developed grant scheme aimed at local artists (individuals & groups).
- Appointed [Daisi Consultancy](#) to assess applications.
- Grant scheme between up to £15k.
- 100% Intervention rate
- Delivered experiences ranging from equipment to public art, world influence dance classes, children's theatre, poetry and musical experiences.

CASE STUDY: Local artist, Joe Webster, worked with young people to deliver gateway wall art £15k



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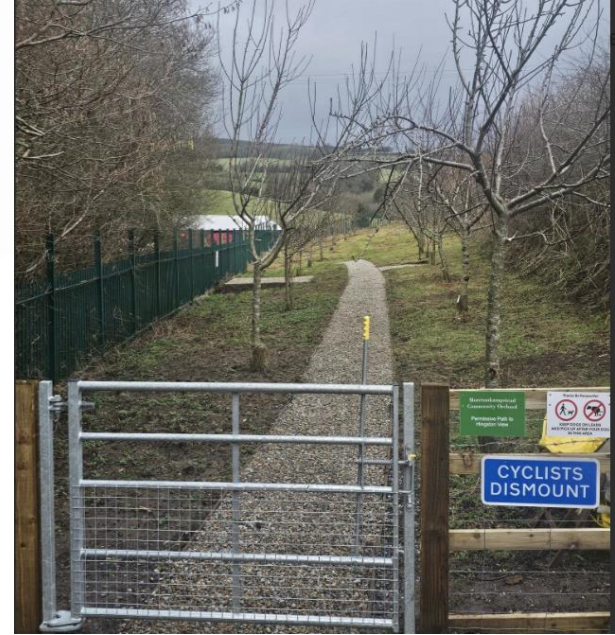
REPF - Rural Transport and Connectivity Fund

Allocation: £200,000

Project Spend 2022-25: £211,762

Scheme open to rural communities within the district:

- Grants available between £10k and £75k
- Few smaller schemes came forward of c. £12k each **delivering local foot & cycleway connectivity** improvements including Wray Valley Trail.
- Worked in partnership with DNP, rural TDC Councillors and Newton Abbot Community Transport Association to provide **2 new fully accessible community buses that will cover new rural routes within the district.** - £150k



UKSPF 2025/26 Administration

- Previously the UKSPF funding has been provided directly to District Councils (SPF only), Devon County Council (Multiply only) and Torbay Council (SPF and Multiply).
- Government has allocated the 2025-26 UKSPF funding to Devon and Torbay Combined County Authority (DTCCA), requesting that the DTCCA works with partners to distribute the funding to deliver economic benefits.
- Devon County Council (DCC) will administer UKSPF 2025-26 in consultation with District Councils in accordance with grant scheme criteria.
- Due to a very tight deadline of 31 March 2025 to meet approval requirements and the Pre-election Period, an urgent decision is needed, without which TDC are at risk of not receiving the funding. All projects selected are achievable of spend deadline of 31 March 2026.

UKSPF investment priorities and the government's Missions

Missions Key			
	Kickstart Economic Growth		Break Down Barriers to Opportunity
	Make Britain a Clean Energy Superpower		Build an NHS fit for the future
	Take Back Our Streets		

Priority

Communities and Place

Supporting Local Business

People and Skills

Theme

Healthy, Safe and Inclusive Communities



Thriving Places



Support for Business



Employability



Skills



Sub-theme

Healthy: Improve health and wellbeing



Safe: Reduce crime and the fear of crime



Inclusive: Bringing communities together, tackling homelessness



Development of the visitor economy



High streets and town centres improvements



Advice and support to business



Enterprise culture and start up support



Business sites and premises



Supporting people to progress towards and into employment



Support for young people who are or at risk of being NEET



Essential skills (including numeracy, literacy, ESOL and digital)



Employment related skills



UKSPF 2025-26 Project Selection

- Funding limited to projects kickstarting economic growth and promoting opportunities.
- 3 main themes (**Supporting Business, Communities and Place and People and Skills**)
- Achieving 1 of 5 national Missions

Mission 1: Kickstart economic growth

Mission 2: Make Britain a clean energy superpower

Mission 3: Take back our streets

Mission 4: Break down barriers to opportunity

Mission 5: Build an NHS fit for the future

- Projects not continuing are projected to receive 69% of the existing grant money. These projects are incredibly time-consuming for TDC to administer and deliver. Administration budget available 2025-26 is c.£5k.
- This is why successful and achievable continuation projects, mainly delivered by third parties have been selected to achieve the slim-lined outputs and required outcomes.



UK Shared Prosperity Fund 2025-26 (Transition Fund)

TDC Projects Continuing and
New (to Teignbridge) Projects (working in
partnership with DCC)

UKSPF 2025-26 Projects

The Strategy Priorities are:

- **Safer Spaces, Safer Places** (continuation) - £90k
- **Business Support for Clean Growth and Diversity** (continuation) - £90k
- **Town Centre Improvements** (continuation) - £117k
- [SW Visitor Economy Hub](#) (new EDDC/Destination Plymouth) - £3k
- [Visit South Devon](#) (new) - £10k
- **Agri-Tech Scheme** (new to district DCC project) - £60k
- **Employment Hub** (new to district DCC Project mobile in-person support and information for adults and young people for career options, jobs and learning opportunities supporting Multiply DCC adult literacy and numeracy programme) - £50k

UKSPF 25-26 - Violence Support against Women and Girls / Safer Spaces, Safer Places

Allocation: £90k

Community Safety Partnership Team will continue working with partners, young people & community stakeholders to design, direct & deliver work including:

- Targeted work, Research & Social Action Projects e.g. [Coombeshead Academy police training video](#)
- 'Is This Okay' addressing harmful sexual behaviour in schools
- 'How do we change the culture of misogyny?'
- 'Lets Talk' range of online sessions supporting parents and carers

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UKSPF 25-26 - Business Support for Clean Growth & Diversity

Allocation: £90k

Libraries Unlimited will continue a very successful programme, including:

- 'Decarbonisation Plan' Reports, Consultancy and Training
- 'Women in Business'
- Startup programme 'Boost Your Startup'
- 'Advanced Business Boost'
- Networking Events

Programmes will continue to be adapted in response to need.



UKSPF 25-26 - Markets & Town Centre Promotion and Co-ordination

Allocation: £117k

Towns will be invited to bid for locally focused projects, successful delivery to date includes:

- Deployable CCTV in Teignmouth
- Visitor economy projects e.g. Visit Newton Abbot website
- Wayfinding Bovey Tracey
- Traffic management study and trials to enable longer term Market Square improvement Moretonhampstead.

Case Study: Buckfastleigh Gateway and Valiant Soldier Regeneration projects to support visitor economy £35k (awaiting Ram Sculpture image)



UKSPF 25-26 - Visitor Economy

Allocation: £3k

[SW Visitor Economy Hub](#) (EDDC/Destination Plymouth)

- Revolutionary new online tool designed for tourism businesses in Devon and Somerset.
- Providing a wide array of real-time data, sector and visitor trends.
- Empowering businesses to make informed decisions.



Allocation: £10k

[Visit South Devon](#)

- Support to grow the local tourism economy through a range of marketing, events and business support activities.
- Complimenting SW Visitor Economy Hub work.



UKSPF 25-26 Agri-Tech

Allocation: £60k

Audits and advice for farm businesses to identify areas where innovation can support, efficiency, productivity and environmental improvements.

- The success of LAs across Devon in developing the Agri-Tech sector and encouraging farm innovation has exceed expectations over the last 3 years through:
 - Devon Agri-Tech Acelerator
 - Agri-Tech Alliance
 - Future Farm Resilience
 - Agri-Innovation Programme

The latter two programmes end on 31 March 2025 leaving a huge gap which this programme has been designed to full and target local agricultural businesses in the district.



UKSPF 25-26 Employment Hubs

Allocation: £50k

- Mobile Employment Hubs providing in-person support and information about different career options, jobs, and learning opportunities to adults and young people.
- Advisers engaging and directing individuals.
- Supporting individuals through their journey towards further training, education, or employment.
- Hubs work with other organisations and employers, supporting and instilling confidence and clarity to move forward to what they want to do next.

This programme supports DCC Multiply Programme targeting adult numeracy and literacy.



Thank you for your time.

Any Questions?

