

Appendix 2 - UKSPF 2022/25 Programme Overview as @ 02.03.25

Intervention	Expenditure Totals as Per Investment Plan	Objectives	Outcomes
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C o m m u n i t i e s a n d P l a c e I n t e r v e n t	Communities & Place Intervention Total		2494389
	E1: Improvements to town centres & high streets		250000
	Market Town Energy Audits	8 Heat Decarbonisation Energy Audits	52.86 tonnes of CO2 p/a in Town Council buildings
	City Cycle Share Scheme	Reduce car journeys and reduce CO2 emissions	131,443 rides 81,495 vehicle journeys saved p/a
	E4: Enhancing existing cultural, historic & heritage institutions offer		550000
	Cultural Development Grant Scheme - £1,000 - £9,000	Develop and strengthen cultural organisation	40 grants awarded, 422 programmes delivered
	1-2-1 Cultural Business Support Programme - 10 hrs +	Develop and strengthen cultural organisations, creative businesses and individual practitioners	70 one to one sessions, 12 business workshops delivered
	E6: Local arts, cultural, heritage & creative activities		650000
	Festivals and Events Grant Scheme - £5,000 - £15,000	Increase visitor numbers and footfall in Herefordshire, increase visitor spend, promote use of local supply chain and provide volunteering opportunities	47 festivals and events supported Increased visitor numbers Increased number of festivals and events Increased number of volunteering opportunities
	Cultural Programming Grant Scheme - £1,000 - £7,000	Deliver local arts, cultural, heritage & creative activities	21 grants awarded, 255 programmes delivered
	Place Partnership Grant - 86,400	Deliver local arts, cultural, heritage & creative activities - creative health focus	Creative health programmes delivered in three deprived locations: South Hereford, Leominster and Golden Valley, 54 people received training, 20 volunteers
E11: Capacity building & infrastructure support local groups		450000	
Community Capacity Building Grant - £1,000 - £15,000	To enable VCSE groups to access funding for projects to address their local needs	37 community facilities supported	

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Building the capacity of the VCSE Sector

Support the VCSE sector in accessing training, business support and expertise; focusing on marketing and communications, income generation opportunities, recruitment and retention.

Number of VCSE groups receiving training support and expertise

E13: Community measures to reduce the cost of living

275000

Residential retrofit assessments for home energy savings

To increase the number of audits for Herefordshire by 70 as part of an ongoing project. The project enables householders across Herefordshire to understand the optimal energy efficiency solutions for their homes.

Outputs: 70 Heat Decarbonisation – Home Energy Audits
Outcomes: Tonnes of CO2/yr to be saved: Total: 377.6TCO2/yr or Average: 5.4TCO2/yr
Investment in take up of energy efficiency measures – 33% increase

Home Energy Savers

The Home Energy Savers retrofit project utilises the mechanisms of PAS2035. Homeowners can pursue energy efficiency measures. UKSPF funding for retrofit assessments

Number of households receiving support - 111
Number of households supported to take energy efficiency measures – 55 (currently 11 to date)

E14: Relevant feasibility studies

319389

Feasibility studies resulting in projects

5 x Market Towns, City Centre, Events and Festivals Study, Cultural Strategy Report, Masterplan, Market Town Housing Assessment Report, Feasibility to explore Cyber/Tech and Innovation Sectors

11 x Feasibility Studies

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Local Business Interventions

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E17: Development & promotion of visitor economy

160000

Promotion and development of the visitor

Increase visitor numbers, increase spend in sector, increase productivity and competitiveness of tourism sector and showcase local heritage, traditions, produce and food and drink offers

Provide non financial support
Support local events and activities
Develop and promote wider campaigns
Create new and safeguard jobs
Increase footfall by 10%
Increase visitor spend by 10%

E19: Investment in research & development at the local level

400000

1-2-1 R&D Advice Programme - 20hrs +

Support local businesses to navigate, and invest in, R&D

35 businesses receiving 20+ hrs R&D support

R&D Grant Scheme £5,000 to £24,999	Increase productivity, develop new products / processes and services leading to new employment opportunities and a more resilient and competitive business community	12 grants awarded £2210,665 New or improved products or services provided New to the business technologies or processes adopted New jobs created Jobs safeguarded Improved productivity
E24: Training hubs, business support offers, incubators & accelerators		930000
Tailored 1-2-1 Advice Programme to improve SME performance - 20hrs+	Improve business performance through reductions in cost, or increase in turnover and profit	150 SMEs receiving tailored support
Dedicated 1-2-1 start up advice programme - 20 hrs +	Support and encourage business start ups with a range of tailored support to become enterprise ready	44 entrepreneurs and pre-starts receiving 20hrs+ 25% converted to enterprises, registering with HMRC or Companies House
Innovation Grant Scheme £5,000 - £24,999	Increase investment in innovation, support the diffusion of innovation knowledge and activities, support the commercialisation of ideas, encouraging collaboration and accelerating the path to market, so that more ideas translate into industrial and commercial practices Increase productivity, access new markets	23 Grant £449,795 New or improved products or services provided New to the business technologies or processes adopted New jobs created Jobs safeguarded Improved productivity
E29: Supporting decarbonisation & improving natural environment		1450798
Marches Energy Grant - Energy Audits for businesses	Energy Audits for businesses, a number of these will translate into capital grant applications to the LEP Energy Fund (not UKSPF) to reduce their ongoing energy consumption, costs and carbon emissions.	Number of audits conducted
Business Enterprise Fund - Capital Grants Scheme for SMEs - £5-£50,000	Increase productivity, build resilience through the adoption of new (to the business) technologies and processes and to reduce carbon usage	47 grants awarded

P e o p l e a n d S k i l l s I n t e r v e n t i o n s	People & Skills Intervention Total		1207000
	E33: Employment support for economically inactive people		532000
	Adult and Community (non-accredited learning) inc. essential skills - numeracy and literacy	Supporting economically inactive people to overcome barriers to work by providing cohesive, locally tailored support.	Number of people reporting increased employability Number of people sustaining engagement with keyworker Number of people in employment, including self-employment, following support Number of people achieving Basic Skills
	Youth Employment Hub	Working in partnership with a range of existing agency and community partners to support young people aged 16 to 24 years with education, training, apprenticeships, volunteering and work opportunities	Over 240 referrals to date
	E34: Courses including basic, life & career skills		50000
	Courses including basic skills (digital, English, maths (via Multiply) and ESOL), and life skills and career skills	Contribute to building community cohesion and facilitate greater shared civil pride, leading to better integration for those benefitting from ESOL support	Number of people receiving training and support
	E35: Enrichment & volunteering activities		75000
	Activities such as enrichment and volunteering to improve opportunities and promote wellbeing	Deliver innovative activities that support access to employment through alternative routes such as enrichment and volunteering opportunities	Number of volunteering opportunities Number of work experience opportunities Number of people experiencing reduced structural barriers
	E37: Tailored support for the employed to access courses		550000
	Multiple providers delivering Team Leading, Leadership and Management, Customer Service, Essential Skills, Skills for key sectors such as Green Skills, Cyber Security, IT and Digital Skills including social media, manufacturing and engineering, Construction, Health and Social Care	Address low level skills and low wages by providing opportunities for employees to learn new skills, gain qualifications and progress to higher paid job opportunities	SMEs supported with workforce planning and training needs Improved access to fully funded training
Programme Total		6642187	