

West Suffolk Council

Portfolio Holder Decisions Notice

(Published: Thursday 8 February 2024)

The following decision was taken by the Portfolio Holder for Resources and, if not called in by councillors, will come into operation on Friday 16 February 2024. An executive decision may be called in, in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules contained within Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, by at least five councillors submitting the required call-in request form to the Director (Human Resources, Governance and Regulatory) (e-mail: democratic.services@westsuffolk.gov.uk) by **5.00 pm on Thursday 15 February 2024**. Should you have a query regarding any of the decisions taken, contact should be made with the named officer in the first instance, the relevant portfolio holder or via Democratic Services, West Suffolk Council, West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk, IP33 3YU.

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<p>No agenda item as Portfolio Holder decision</p> <p>Report number CAB/WS/24/015</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>UK Shared Prosperity Fund allocations 2024 to 2025</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>That the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) allocations for 2024 to 2025 be implemented as follows, in line with the Council's UKSPF investment plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> £192,662 for a competitive grant process for improvements to town centres and high 	<p>Utilising delegated authority previously granted, the Portfolio Holder for Resources has agreed to proceed at this stage with the implementation of initiatives under six of the UKSPF interventions identified in the Council's previously approved UKSPF investment plan, with the remaining interventions to be implemented in due course. The six initiatives are described in section 2 of Report number: CAB/WS/24/015.</p>	<p>The funding available in 2024 to 2025 to West Suffolk Council from UKSPF funding could have been given to different external organisations. However, the organisations and initiatives chosen and described in</p>	<p>Portfolio holder: Diane Hind</p> <p>Officer: Ian Gallin Chief Executive 01284 757001</p>

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		<p>streets, including better accessibility for disabled people, including capital spend and running costs (UKSPF intervention E1)</p> <p>2. £68,106 for community projects to support capacity building for local civil society and community groups (UKSPF intervention E11)</p> <p>3. £34,053 for Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise sector organisations working with the new Community Food Partnership Officers to enable support to be available to the food banks, groups supporting sustainable food and the establishment of a food network (UKSPF (intervention E13)</p> <p>4. £20,000 allocation to West Suffolk College (the Council's strategic</p>		<p>this report reflect the new strategic priorities and approach to allocate the funding to local and strategic partners who will be best placed to deliver the desired outcomes to the UKSPF interventions.</p>	

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		<p>partner for skills) to create a new post to engage with employers with under-employed staff and offer skills training and qualifications to enable them to take up full-time jobs, with a focus on those likely to be leaving or not returning to the workplace (UKSPF intervention E37)</p> <p>5. £100,000 to West Suffolk College to create new skills training opportunities to enable local people to access local skilled jobs, particularly in areas of shortage and growth (UKSPF intervention E38)</p> <p>6. £25,000 to West Suffolk College to extend the access and availability of green skills courses to both employed and unemployed utilising</p>			

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		newly created training facilities and qualifications (UKSPF intervention E39)			

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 8 February 2024