

UK Shared Prosperity Fund and Rural England Prosperity Fund Board



SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL

Thursday, 4 September 2025 at 10.00 am
Witham Room - South Kesteven House,
St. Peter's Hill, Grantham. NG31 6PZ

Committee Members: Councillor Philip Knowles, (Chairman)
Councillor Virginia Moran, (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Ashley Baxter, Councillor David Bellamy, Councillor Harrish Bisnauthsing, Councillor Helen Crawford, Councillor Patsy Ellis, Councillor Tim Harrison, Councillor Bridget Ley, Councillor Nikki Manterfield, Councillor Lee Steptoe and Councillor Paul Wood

Agenda

1. **Apologies**
2. **Disclosure of Interest**
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 11 August 2025** (Pages 3 - 8)
4. **Summary of Main Programme Applications** (Pages 9 - 25)
5. **Exclusion of Press and Public**
It is likely that the Press and Public will be excluded during discussion of the following items of business because of the likelihood that information that is exempt under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) would be disclosed to them.

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6. Applications to Parish and Community and Decarbonisation Funds (Pages 27 - 133)

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Committee Members present

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Councillor Harrish Bisnauthsing
Councillor Helen Crawford
Councillor Patsy Ellis
Councillor Tim Harrison
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Councillor Lee Steptoe

Officers

Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer
David Scott, Assistant Director of Finance and Deputy S151 Officer
Emma Whittaker, Assistant Director of Planning and Growth
Karen Whitfield, Assistant Director of Leisure, Culture and Place
Bethany Goodman, Physical Activity and Wellbeing Lead
Lucy Bonshor, Democratic Officer

79. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ashley Baxter. It was noted that Councillor Patsy Ellis would be late attending.

80. Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Tim Harrison declared an interest in item SK-CP-07, Skate Park – Wyndham Park. Councillor Harrison spoke in support of the item and answered questions from Members but left the meeting during deliberations.

Councillor Lee Steptoe declared an interest in the item for Grantham College and left the meeting during the discussion and took no part in the decision.

Councillor Harrish Bisnauthsing declared an interest in respect of item REPF-01, Stamford Indoors Bowls – Solar Energy as he was familiar with the club.

81. Minutes of the meeting held on 30 May

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 May 2025, which had been deferred from the last meeting of the Board, were proposed, seconded and **AGREED**.

82. Minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2025

The minutes from the meeting held on 7 July 2025 were proposed, seconded and **AGREED**.

Comments were made in respect of the tense that the minutes were written in particularly when referring to organisations as the minutes inferred that an organisation was no longer operating which was untrue. It was confirmed that minutes were always written in the past tense, and the wording when referring to organisations would be addressed. Further comments were made about grammatical errors within the minutes and it was stated that these would be amended accordingly.

83. Update from previous meeting

The Chairman indicated that the supplementary papers in respect of Grantham College would be dealt with in the closed session of the meeting at item 8 on the agenda.

One Member queried how many applications could be made in respect of the UKSPF as Bourne Town Council's clerk had been advised that only one application could be submitted. The criteria was confirmed and it was stated that only one application could be made under the Parish and Community Funding intervention. Although South Kesteven District Council appeared to have lots of projects there were being submitted under different interventions.

(10:07 Councillor Patsy Ellis arrived)

One Member made reference to the Shop Front Guide and the Assistant Director of Planning and Growth stated that she would forward a link to the document on the website to the Member. Further comments were made about funding and where it was allocated and it was stated that the Future High Street Fund was a separate fund to the UKSPF and was specific to Grantham.

84. Summary of Main Programme Applications

The Board briefly discussed each application before the meeting went into private session.

REPF – 01 Stamford Indoor Bowls – solar energy

The funding request was for solar energy improvements to the Bowls Club. The application had previously been before the Board but the request required Planning Permission and could not be undertaken within the previous UKSPF

timescale. It was confirmed that Planning Permission had now been granted. The Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer stated that lengthy discussions had taken place with the Bowls Club in respect of extending the lease/buying the premises with the organisation being committed to the location. The organisation had strong links with the community and NHS rehabilitation.

SK-CP-07 – Skate Park – Wyndham Park

The project was to install a galvanised steel Skate Park on top of the existing Basketball concrete surface located on the upper field at Wyndham Park, Grantham. It was noted that there had been a Skate Park in Grantham some years ago which had been vandalised.

REPF-02 – Deepings Community Centre refurbishment

The funding requested was for the refurbishment of toilet facilities to ensure that the centre had appropriate facilities to serve the needs of the community. The project included the provision of a disabled toilet with changing facilities and an ambulant disabled toilet with baby changing facilities. Clarity was sought in respect of the toilet provision and its location to which the Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer replied.

It was confirmed that work to the roof at the Community Centre should be completed within the next few weeks.

REPF-03 – Langtoft Pre-school

Funding had been requested for both internal and external improvements to the pre-school which included, electrical works, roof insulation, decoration, floor replacement and upgrades/repairs to windows. It was confirmed that it was a Council owned facility that had been taken over by the toddler group. It was a well-used facility and the group had a business plan in place to drive forward the upgrade of the facilities. A question was asked about whether it was part of the main school and it was confirmed that the group was completely independent.

SK-CP-08 – Dysart Park Tennis Court Improvements

The project was for the resurfacing of the Tennis Courts at Dysart Park, Grantham which were currently in a very poor condition. Resurfacing the court would allow users to play tennis on a safe surface and improve grip for users. A question was asked about whether the line markings could include other sports not just tennis and it was suggested that this would be looked at if the project was endorsed.

85. Exclusion of Press and Public

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to exclude the press and public at this point in the meeting as it was likely that information contained within the remaining items on the agenda were exempt under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

86. South Kesteven Prosperity Fund

Grantham College Future: Forward Programme **Funding requested: £75,000**

Following the last meeting of the Board and the presentation from Grantham College, the Board had requested further information in respect of the Employability Skills and Support Programme before they made a decision in respect of the funding request. Clarity had been asked in respect of the previous projects outcomes, what mechanisms the College had in place to track progress of the programmes and for how long, how success rate was measured, references to improved exam attendance. The Board were circulated with a supplement document that sought to answer the questions that had been asked. It was noted that the funding would be match funded by £25,000.

(10:30 Councillor Lee Steptoe left the meeting at this point)

Members discussed the information that had been supplied by the College in respect of the points that had been raised following the presentation. However, the Board were not convinced that the outcomes provided were Value for Money in respect of the funding requested and it was proposed, seconded and agreed to **REJECT** the funding request.

(10:37 Councillor Lee Steptoe returned to the meeting)

REPF-01 – Stamford Indoor Bowls – Solar Energy **Funding requested: £46,203**

A Board Member who was familiar with the organisation stated that it had been disappointing that the previous funding request had not been implemented due to the requirement for Planning Permission. However, he confirmed that the supplier for the solar panels to the roof was ready to go as soon as decision had been reached. The Board noted that the funding request had previously been endorsed subject to the required planning permission being granted and therefore it was proposed, seconded and agreed to **ENDORSE** the new funding request.

SK-CP-07 – Skate Park – Wyndham Park **Funding requested: £125,000**

Members were circulated with a restricted pack which detailed requests to have a skate park reinstated in Grantham following surveys and comments made over a period of time including surveys carried out by school children. Due to the content, these packs were collected at the end of the meeting due to some of the sensitive information contained therein. The Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer together with Councillor Tim Harrison who was a member of the UKSPF Board spoke in detail about the history behind the request for a Skate Park in Grantham. What had prompted it to be brought before the Board and answered Members questions in relation to maintenance and ongoing costs and that it would be the skateboard “community’s” responsibility to keep the skate park in good order.

(10:51 Councillor Tim Harrison left the meeting)

Members discussed the funding request and acknowledged that the Skate Parks located at the other towns in Bourne, Stamford and the Deepings were well used. Concern was expressed about maintenance costs going forward and the responsibility of the skate park which in the other towns had fallen to the Town Councils. It was acknowledged that although Grantham now had a Town Council it was relatively young and had yet to take over aspects that were currently carried out by South Kesteven District Council. The Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer stated that going forward any maintenance costs of the Skate Park in the short-term would be taken out of Grantham's Special Expense Area budget and would be paid for by the people of Grantham. Following further discussion in which Members were supportive of the re-installment of a skate park in Grantham but were concerned about future ongoing costs, it was proposed, seconded and agreed to **ENDORSE** the funding request.

(11:02 Councillor Tim Harrison returned to the meeting)

REPF-02 – Deepings Community Centre refurbishment
Funding requested: £44,309

The Board discussed the application and were circulated with plans showing the current configuration and the proposed configuration following refurbishment of the toilet facilities. Members were supportive of the proposal but enquired whether the refurbishment could be to a “changing places” standard with various ideas put forward. It was stated that this was not what had been requested and it would be subjected to ongoing maintenance costs. Further discussion followed and it was suggested that the refurbishment should make allowance for changing places facilities if in the future funding became available. It was proposed, seconded and agreed to **ENDORSE** the funding request with options looked into, in respect of changing places specifications.

REPF – 03 – Langtoft Pre-school
Funding requested: £61,858

Members were supportive of the proposed project for improvements to the pre-school and on being put to the vote the application for funding was **ENDORSED**.

SK – CP – 08 – Dysart Park Tennis Court Improvements
Funding requested: £32,120

One of the Ward Councillors for the area and also a UKSPF Board Member spoke about the current poor state of the tennis courts. Another Board Member echoed these comments and stated that when the courts had been in good repair they had been well used. Members discussed the project with concern again being expressed about maintenance costs going forward and it was felt by some Members that Grantham seemed to get more funding allocated to it than other areas in the district.

The Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer stated that maintenance would come out of the SEA for Grantham until such time as conversations were had with the Grantham Town Council and areas that could be transferred to them were agreed. It was proposed, seconded and agreed that the funding request be **ENDORSED**.

The Chairman reminded the Board that the next scheduled meeting was Thursday 4 September 2025.

In respect of projects it was confirmed that applicants would be notified as soon as possible.

The meeting closed at 11:24.



Application No.	Project Name	UKSPF Theme	Outline Project Description/Purpose	Amount Requested	Timescales
SK - PCA 3048	Allington Playpark Project	Parish and Community Assets	<p>The project is to improve the children’s play park at Allington Playing Field.</p> <p>The play park has been in existence for over 40 years and, for safety reasons, is in need of a make-over. The annual inspection by ROSPA has made some amber observations concerning certain aspects of the equipment in use. Small scale repairs have been carried out over the years but comments made to researchers published in the Village Plan call for more activities specifically aimed at families with toddlers and young children. It is therefore this demographic that this project is intended to benefit by giving users of the playground confidence in its efficacy and its safety.</p>	£7,000.00	To be completed Mid December 2025
SK - PCA 3024	Opening Up Billingborough: A Safer, Greener and More Resilient Community Hall for All	Parish and Community Assets	<p>Refurbishment and accessibility upgrade of the main stage located within Billingborough Parish Hall. The existing stage is no longer fit for purpose: it is visibly worn, chipped, unstable in places, and inaccessible to those with reduced mobility. It poses a growing safety concern and limits community access.</p> <p>The project will remove the old structure and install a safe, modern stage with integrated accessibility features such as ramps and handrails. These works will futureproof the space for inclusive, multi-use access.</p>	£5,000.00	To be completed by 21 st February 2026



<p>SK - PCA 3002</p>	<p>Improvements to Parish Land, Carlby</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project has multiple elements including: further definition of Parish land from the footpath and roadside with knee high ascot fencing at Templeman Drive. Purchase of native trees for this area. To provide seating on this footpath area by purchase of a bench.</p> <p>Improvements to the steep access at the southwestern access point to the play field by erecting safety fencing and installing non slip matting. Levelling a disused area of the playing field by excavating, rotovating and re-seeding with grass, approximately 2,500sq mts. Planting a natural willow igloo and additional native trees. Repairing the football pitch goalmouth areas due to excessive wear and to install new football goal nets. To repair and replace where necessary tennis court fencing.</p> <p>To purchase and install a secure shipping container, for storing all councils' maintenance equipment.</p>	<p>£8,000.00</p>	<p>To be completed by December 2025</p>
<p>SK - PCA 3046</p>	<p>Denton Play Area</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project is to replace play equipment for use by the children of the village. The area has been cleared of the existing and aged equipment. The project will provide a basket swing, tractor, noughts and crosses, dice and maze play areas and a park bench.</p>	<p>£24,000.00</p>	<p>To be completed by January 2026</p>



SK - PCA 3017	Community Arts Hub	Parish and Community Assets	<p>Grantham Arts' ambition is to develop a creative space with specialist equipment for ceramics, glass and print available to all. By working with the National Trust and their Community Hub Project at Grantham House, the aim is to provide a creative centre that will facilitate the sharing and learning of artistic and creative pursuits for participation and use by communities across the district.</p> <p>Funding is sought to purchase a glass kiln for a community art project inspired by Grantham's unique stained glass windows, the refurbishment of the Studio building at Grantham House, providing a fixed base for Grantham Arts to provide services and the transfer of existing kit (including ceramic kiln) into this space making it easily accessible for use by the wider community.</p>	£30,029.00	To be completed by January 2026
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<p>SK - PCA 3014</p>	<p>Jubilee Mount Access - Harrowby</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project seeks to improve the underfoot conditions on the paths through the Jubilee Mount Memorial area leading to Harrowby Hall from Tennyson Avenue, Grantham.</p> <p>This acts as a runoff during heavy rain for all the water draining from Harrowby Hall and the fields making these paths treacherous during the wetter periods of the year.</p> <p>This excess water at present runs straight off on to the Blessed Hugh More site flooding it.</p> <p>Doing this planned work will make these paths safer for the numerous walkers from the parish and the Harrowby Ward of Grantham. Estimated at approx. 100 per day.</p>	<p>£5,000.00</p>	<p>To be completed by November 2025</p>
<p>SK - PCA 3032</p>	<p>Refurbishment of The Shack, Recreation Ground, Stamford</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project seeks the refurbishment of the Shack to enable increased use by the community. The project will replace permanent shutters with double-glazed windows, install energy-efficient heating and lighting, provide accessible toilets, and modernise internal wiring. These crucial upgrades will restore natural light, enhance comfort and safety, and make the building welcoming.</p>	<p>£17,671.54</p>	<p>To be completed by February 2026</p>



<p>SK – PCA 3021</p>	<p>New kitchen for Centre use and working area for food Pantry – Butterfield Centre</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project will enable the relocation and creation new kitchen facilities within a redundant bathroom and create a new food parcel packing area in the old kitchen space. The existing kitchen facilities are old and becoming unusable due to damp cupboards and is in an inconvenient position for the Centre’s meeting rooms.</p> <p>Moving the kitchen will address health and safety issues relating to the condition of the kitchen and the carrying of hot drinks along a busy corridor into the main meeting room and office areas.</p>	<p>£10,460.00</p>	<p>To be completed by January 2026</p>
<p>SK - PCA 3029</p>	<p>Children’s Counselling Area</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>The Wellbeing Centre in Grantham offers a meeting space for local people who are suffering the impact of grief. Some of their service users are children and young people (CYP). The charity has found that they require a quiet and private space for their counselling sessions which our open-plan Centre does not offer. Additionally, they need to ensure appropriate safeguarding by separating the children from other, adult, users. They intend to construct an enclosed room within the Centre which will more closely suit their needs.</p>	<p>£5,000.00</p>	<p>To be completed November 2025 (subject to relevant permissions being in place)</p>



<p>SK - PCA 3052</p>	<p>Our Community Matters – Jubilee Church Life Centre</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project will replace 3 old air source heat pumps units with new ones. Two of the existing heat pumps no longer work and one is very inefficient. They were removed from St. Wulfram’s school just before it was demolished and installed at Jubilee. They are over 15 years old. This will help this community-led faith group reduce the Centre’s energy bills and enable them to expand the work they do as their outgoings would be less.</p>	<p>£9,764.00</p>	<p>To be completed by October 2025</p>
<p>SK - PCA 3035</p>	<p>Entertainment and Sound System – Woolsthorpe by Belvoir Social Club and Village Hall</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>The social club seeks funding for entertainment equipment such as speakers, microphones, lights and mixing desks. The venue currently does not own such equipment, which means it is often not able to be used for bigger events unless external equipment is hired. The Hall hosts many events including quiz nights, bingo, community days such as an annual summer fete, easter hunts, Halloween, and most recently a VE Celebration event. The social club and village hall is also available for hire and we host weddings, birthday parties and other regular bookings throughout the year. This equipment would also be available to hirers of the venue reducing the need to bring in external equipment.</p>	<p>£7,550.79</p>	<p>To be completed by December 2025</p>



<p>SK - PCA 3022</p>	<p>New Kitchen – Fulbeck Sports and Social Club</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project will support the provision of a new kitchen to the Sports and Social Club. The present kitchen is over 30 years old and was second-hand when installed. The kitchen is used by villagers, members of the sports club, football and cricket teams. The venue is also used by an Over 60s Club which meets regularly. The club house is hired out for parties, weddings, christenings, etc. The clubhouse is also used for many village events such as friendly village cricket and rounders matches, firework and bonfire night, and an annual festival. The local Dementia Choir has also recently hired the clubhouse for its meetings.</p>	<p>£12,800.00</p>	<p>To be completed by November 2025</p>
<p>SK - PCA 3037</p>	<p>Air Conditioning - Swinstead Village Hall</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project is the next stage to a broader refurbishment and upgrade to the Village Hall. The group seeks to install hot and cold air conditioning to the large hall and small bar area. When the hall is in full use it becomes hot and stuffy. With the installation of hot and cold air conditioning, the hall will become more comfortable the patrons, the hope is in winter they can use the air con to heat the hall, thus cutting down on the use of heating oil, reducing their carbon footprint</p>	<p>£7,998.85</p>	<p>To be completed by October 2025</p>



<p>SK - PCA 3039</p>	<p>Refurbishment of Changing Room Block – Recreation Road, Bourne</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project is to refurbish the changing room facility on Recreation Road, Bourne. It is used by local football teams, of all ages, their families, visitors and community groups for various events throughout the year. The benefit will be that the users will be in a safe, welcoming and maintained facility, with no tiles falling off the walls, smashed windows replaced, a fit for purpose kitchen area serving drinks and snacks, working showers etc. The whole community will benefit from this refurbishment, the players, their families, guest teams, locals, community groups</p>	<p>£34,900.00</p>	<p>To be completed by Mid December 2025</p>
<p>SK - PCA 3010</p>	<p>Inclusive Roundabout – Baston Village Hall Grounds</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>The project is to introduce an Inclusive Roundabout to the Children’s Play Area within the grounds of Baston Village Hall. Currently, there is sufficient “Traditional” play equipment for able-bodied juniors and toddlers, but there is no play equipment available for children who require to use a wheelchair or have other disabilities or for parents with very young children in pushchairs. The inclusive roundabout has a safe, easy to use ground-level entry, safety railings and the facility for the parent, or carer, to be seated and accompany the child on the roundabout. This will benefit families who have children with a disability, by providing a safe item of play equipment for them to use. It will benefit tremendously any child who has a disability and is currently unable to use any of the play equipment at the Village Hall.</p>	<p>£15,775.93</p>	<p>To be completed by 17th November 2025</p>



<p>SK - PCA 3019</p>	<p>Goalmouth Restoration</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project seeks to restore the goalmouths at play areas in Black Bull Green and East End Park, Langtoft. The Parish has two pairs of goal posts (not full size), one pair in each of their playparks.</p> <p>The goalmouth area is badly worn. Reseeding and or turfing in the past has not provided a durable solution so they are seeking to install a hardwearing artificial surface in each goalmouth to support year round use.</p> <p>They propose to excavate the goalmouth area and install impact play carpet over a prepared stone base.</p>	<p>£13,565.34</p>	<p>To be completed by November 2025</p>
<p>SK - PCA 3018</p>	<p>The Spinney - Completing Major Site Refurbishments – Bythams Spinney</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project will replace the embankment swing, which had previously been decommissioned for safety reasons.</p> <p>The project will also resurface the driveway/ access route as it has become very worn away through heavy usage, and will add in some new pedestrian pathway barrier fencing to ensure a clear boundary and separation from the vehicle entrance and exit.</p>	<p>£11,069.80</p>	<p>To be completed by 30th November 2025</p>



<p>SK - PCA 3034</p>	<p>Jubilee Park, Deepings Construction Phase 1: Older Children's Play Area</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This application seeks a grant to cover design work costs, the preparation of tender documents, and management of a tender process for a new, high-quality, age-appropriate play facilities, particularly for older children. A new playground will be designed, in time leading to providing a vital outdoor space that promotes physical activity, social interaction, and imaginative play, contributing significantly to the well-being and development of local youth.</p>	<p>£11,019.00</p>	<p>To be completed by December 2025</p>
<p>SK - PCA 3049</p>	<p>Pointon and Sempringham Parish Playground Renewal – Stage 2</p>	<p>Parish and Community Assets</p>	<p>This project is to enhance the local play area by installing a climbing net for older children and two bright, inclusive springers for younger children, including those with disabilities, as Stage 2 of upgrading the 50-year-old play equipment. The climbing net is designed for children aged 7–12 and encourages active, adventurous play. It encourages physical activity, strength-building, balance, and confidence through safe, risk-based play</p> <p>The two springers are designed with accessibility and enjoyment in mind. One of the springers is shaped like a surfboard, which allows children to gently rock and push themselves, helping them develop balance, coordination, and core strength through movement-based play. The other springer features a backrest and easy grip handles, making it suitable for children with limited mobility or additional sensory needs.</p>	<p>£23,000.00</p>	<p>To be completed by 31st January 2026</p>



<p>SK - PCD 3053</p>	<p>Energy Management - Long Bennington Village Hall</p>	<p>Decarbonisation</p>	<p>The project is in respect of the proposed enhancement of our 4kw solar paneling operating under the FIT system which was installed 12 years ago – as part of an overall objective to move towards a more effective, efficient, and ‘cleaner’ energy usage solution: To install solar pv paneling plus associated battery storage whose output has the capacity to match the total energy expended during the year – estimated at 34kwh units. During the Spring and Summer months there should be sufficient energy storage to distribute excess energy produced to local charitable groups and seek payback from the National Grid. In the shorter Autumn and Winter daylight hours there should still be an accumulated reserve of energy to enable savings of between £4k - £5k from our electricity costs (currently £14k).</p>	<p>£25,000.00</p>	<p>To be completed by November 2025</p>
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SK - PCD 3058	Installing Solar Panels at the Ascension Community Hall	Decarbonisation	The proposal is to install 32 X 440W Jinko Solar Tiger Neo panels with 16 (in two rows of eight) on the east side and 16 (also in two rows) on the west side of the roof of the Community Hall at the Church of the Ascension in Edinburgh Road, Grantham. The panels, with accompanying bird mesh, would be mounted on a Schletter Rapid 2+ system. There would also be one 12 kW inverter together with associated cabling and controls. It is estimated that the annual production of energy will be approximately 10,200 kWh of which half would be consumed within the hall and the rest exported to the grid. This project will therefore reduce dependence on the national grid through the generation of renewable energy. It will therefore significantly reduce hall running costs thereby offering greater financial stability and increased sustainability, allowing further investment in hall facilities and equipment.	£5,360.00	To be completed by October 2025
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<p>SK – PCD 3067</p>	<p>Bright Hall Initiative [BHI] – Heydour Village Hall</p>	<p>Decarbonisation</p>	<p>This project aims to significantly improving the energy efficiency of the village hall which will move it towards net zero.</p> <p>As part of this initiative, the Village Hall plans to install solar panels on the hall’s roof to generate clean, renewable energy on-site. In addition, we will replace outdated fluorescent lighting with high-efficiency LED fittings. Together, these upgrades will improve our energy efficiency.</p> <p>Based on expert calculations, these improvements are expected to reduce carbon emissions by approximately 2 tonnes of CO₂ annually. Over 20 years this is equivalent to eliminating 13,140 tonnes of coal being burnt or the planting of the 700 new trees.</p> <p>The BrightHall Initiative will make the village hall a more sustainable, energy-efficient, and resilient space for all.</p>	<p>£18,971.53</p>	<p>To be completed by November 2025</p>
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<p>SK – PCD 3062</p>	<p>Dyke Village Hall Low Carbon Energy System</p>	<p>Decarbonisation</p>	<p>This project aims to replace the aging gas blown-air heating system for Dyke Village Hall with an infa-red electric heating system supplemented by the addition of photovoltaic panels on the roof with a battery storage system.</p> <p>The heating system currently in service at the Hall is fuelled by natural gas, installed an estimated 40 years ago and has been unreliable in more recent years. It is also becoming harder to maintain due to parts supply. This proposal replaces that system with an efficient electrically powered infa-red system that, with the appropriate control system, will reduce power consumption by more than 50% with the associated reduction in CO2 emissions.</p> <p>To support the increase in electricity demand, the project will further add 20 solar photovoltaic panels to the south facing roof of the Hall, plus 18.6 kWh of Li-Ion battery storage allowing up to reduce dependence on the National Grid by 63% thus further reducing energy costs and significantly boosting CO2 reduction. Energy costs will reduce by an estimated £1760 per year.</p>	<p>£15,000.00</p>	<p>To be completed by January 2026</p>
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<p>SK – PCD 3064</p>	<p>Installing of an Energy Saving Heating System at St Guthlac’s Church</p>	<p>Decarbonisation</p>	<p>The setting wishes to replace its outdated and failing dual gas boiler heating system. At present, only one boiler remains operational, providing inadequate warmth during the winter months. Due to the Church of England’s environmental commitment to achieving Net Zero by 2030, a replacement gas boiler is not permitted. The Church’s proposed solution is the installation of an energy-efficient infrared heating system, designed to directly warm people rather than the fabric of the building. This will be complemented by the replacement of outdated fluorescent lighting with modern, low-energy LED lighting, significantly reducing both carbon emissions and running costs. This project is essential for maintaining a warm, welcoming and sustainable environment within the Grade I listed church, ensuring it remains fit for purpose for future generations. The public benefit of this project is considerable. St Guthlac’s is not just a place of worship, but a vital community hub.</p>	<p>£5,098.00</p>	<p>To be completed by October 2025</p>
<p>SK – PCD 3069</p>	<p>Solar PV 2025 – Walton Academy</p>	<p>Decarbonisation</p>	<p>The school wishes to install solar PV panels on the roof of Walton Academy. The school building, constructed in the early 1960s, presents a challenge: despite ongoing efforts to improve energy efficiency, its age limits what can be achieved without significant investment. This project addresses that need by installing solar PV panels, which are projected to reduce our carbon emissions by approximately 11 tonnes per year.</p>	<p>£43,871.00</p>	<p>To be completed by January 2026</p>



<p>SK – PCD 3068</p>	<p>Renewable Energy Installation – Caythorpe Playing Field Pavilion</p>	<p>Decarbonisation</p>	<p>The project comprises the provision of Photo Voltaic (solar) panels to the roof with battery storage to capture excess energy not used during the day and store energy drawn from the National Grid at cheap off peak rates.</p> <p>Recent increases in energy prices have placed a strain on the finances of the Playing Field Committee and have prompted a review of hire charges. This has resulted in an increase in the amount of fund raising required by the volunteer committee and affordability issues for those using the facility.</p> <p>This will benefit the community and the wider public by providing low carbon, renewable energy to the pavilion (which is all electric for heating, lighting cooking and water heating partly due to lack of mains gas availability). The provision of their own source of renewable energy will safeguard the community and wider public from pollution caused by burning fossil fuels, ensure the amount spent on energy is maintained at an affordable level and safeguard against future energy price rises. This will allow the pavilion to continue to be used for the benefit of the community and the many groups that use it for recreation and leisure.</p>	<p>£37,916.50</p>	<p>To be completed by January 2026</p>
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<p>SK – PCD 3060</p>	<p>Barrowby Green Canopy</p>	<p>Decarbonisation</p>	<p>The Group proposes a three-part initiative to increase tree cover and enhance community green spaces in Barrowby Village. First, they aim to plant approximately 50 climate-resilient trees on currently vacant grass verges throughout the village. Residents will select tree species for their verge, fostering ownership and engagement. Community planting events will educate participants on environmental and wildlife benefits.</p> <p>Second, they will plant additional trees on Parish Council-owned land, including Low Fields Playing Field, Stevens Gutter Village Green, All Saints Burial Ground, and Adamstyles Play Area. These trees will be tagged with educational information about their ecological and climate resilience benefits.</p> <p>Third, they seek funding for two family picnic benches— to be situated at the south side of the Low Fields playing area near newly planted trees and existing nature areas to encourage community use and appreciation.</p>	<p>£6,785.20</p>	<p>To be completed by end of February 2026</p>
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