



SOUTH  
KESTEVEN  
DISTRICT  
COUNCIL

# Officer Delegated Decision

June 2024

Karen Bradford, Chief Executive Officer



## Approval of UKSPF Board funding recommendations

This report provides details of the applications allocated funding from the South Kesteven Prosperity Fund

<b>Decision made by:</b>	Karen Bradford, Chief Executive Officer
<b>Decision:</b>	To accept the UKSPF Board recommendations to fund a range of projects via the UKSPF
<b>Date:</b>	26/06/24
<b>Public or Exempt:</b>	This report is not exempt from publication
<b>Reasons for exemption:</b>	N/A
<b>Conflicts of interest:</b>	No
<b>Policy compliant:</b>	Yes
<b>Details of delegation:</b>	The Council's Financial Regulations allow Assistant Directors to approve spend incurred by the Council within the limits set out in the Financial Regulations (Constitution).

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## **1 The Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To approve the grants supported by the UKSPF Board on 15 May 2024. **Appendix 1** identifies a total of 14 projects that were supported, plus two from a previous board. The projects combined have a value of £422,221.
- 1.2 South Kesteven District Council was formally award £3.9m from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund by Government on 5 December 2022. Town and parish councils, parish meetings and Community Groups can apply to this fund for a grant to fund projects which will deliver improvements to community buildings, green spaces and culture, arts and heritage initiatives.

## **2 Available Options Considered**

- 2.1 There are no other options as the grants as provided by DLUHC is aligned to the SK Investment Plan, which enables South Kesteven District Council to draw down funds which support local projects that deliver outputs/outcomes against the Investment Plan.

## **3 Preferred Option**

- 3.1 To accept the Board's recommendation to fund the 14 projects listed in **Appendix 1**.

## **4 Reasons for the Decision**

- 4.1 The applications detailed in **Appendix 1** meet the grant conditions set by Central Government and support the Council with achieving the interventions set out in the approved Investment Plan.

## **5 Financial Implications**

- 5.1 The award of the allocations is in accordance with the delegations agreed by Council and the criteria used are in accordance with Government guidance.

**Financial Implications reviewed by: Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive and S151 Officer**

## **6 Legal and Governance Implications**

- 6.1 The Chief Executive has the necessary delegated authority to take this decision.  
**Legal Implications reviewed by: Graham Watts, Monitoring Officer**

## **7 Equality and Safeguarding implications**

- 7.1 There are no equality or safeguarding implications associated with this report.

## **8 How will the recommendations support South Kesteven District Council's declaration of a climate emergency?**

8.1 The UKSPF Rural programme has a focus on carbon reduction and climate change. Applications will be considered that make contributions to the move towards Net Zero.

## **9 Appendices**

9.1 **Appendix 1** - list of supported projects

**Signed by: Karen Bradford**

**Date: 26.06.24**