

OFFICER DECISION RECORD

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Decision Title: Approval of projects for United Kingdom Shared Prosperity Fund.

Decision reference number: 05.03.23

Decision date: Wednesday 22 March 2023

Background / reason for decision:

The Combined Authority Committee has delegated the approval of UKSPF projects to the Combined Authority Chief Executive in consultation with the other West of England CEOs.

Options considered: (as relevant/applicable)

Option 1 – Reject the proposed projects for funding.

Option 2 – Approve the proposed projects for funding.

Decision: The decision was made to fund the list of projects below from the UKSPF.

LA	Project	Capital UKSPF	Revenue UKSPF	Total funding
B&NES	Midsomer Norton Town Hall	£350,000		£350,000
B&NES	Midsomer Norton Unit 14		£17,035	£17,035*
B&NES	Radstock Town Centre high street cultural hub and community outreach	£250,345	£100,000	£350,345
B&NES	Next Door Nature in the Somer Valley		£138,680	£138,680
Bristol	Business Intellectual Property Centres		£420,000	£420,000
Bristol	Volunteer Parks		£180,000	£180,000
Bristol	Building Community agency and wealth		£300,000	£300,000
Bristol	Food sector co-location hub	£200,000	£300,000	£500,000
Bristol	City Centre and High Streets programme	£400,000	£89,357	£489,357*

SG	Greening the high street	£32,850	£22,150	£55,000
SG	Kingswood Skills Hub		£370,000	£370,000
SG	Vacant Units grant scheme	£202,700	£66,450	£269,150
SG	Wayfinding – accessibility on South Glos high streets	£212,500	£44,300	£256,800
WECA	Cultural organisations grant fund	£196,890		£196,890

^{*} Additional funding will be sought for these projects if required.

Consultation: Business and Skills Directors of each Unitary Authority were consulted.

Officer making decision: Richard Ennis in consultation with the other Combined Authority constituent authority Chief Executive Officers.

Position: Chief Executive (acting).

Report / appendices / background documents: A summary of the Combined Authority's UKSPF investment plan is available on our website.

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