

Decision Notice

Decision Title: Regional Recovery and Adaptations Funding: Cultural and Community Events Pilot Scheme grants

Decision Date: 06.03.2024

Decision Reference Number: CEO_2024_0005

Decision Taken

That: The West of England Combined Authority Interim Chief Executive Officer in consultation with the West of England Local Authority Chief Executive Officers, approve the award of the grants detailed:

Recipient	LA	Event	Value
W.E. Irish CIC	Bristol	St Patrick's Day Parade 24 and 25.	£11,700
Bath Carnival CIC	B&NES	Carnival in the Community (Twert Lush and Bath Lights at Night (24))	£20,000

Reasons for the Decision

The grants will meet the eligibility requirements of the Fund and will achieve the objectives of the Fund to support small cultural and community events to grow and become more impactful in terms of three possible outcomes:

- a. Increased participation and volunteering from within the community or place, in organising and delivering the event.
- b. Improved cohesion amongst communities and places where new development or regeneration has taken place.
- c. Encouraging local communities and others back to high streets, town centres or community hubs.

Authority for the decision

Decisions on the allocation of UKSPF to projects were delegated by the Combined Authority Committee in July 2022. The recorded delegation was "To delegate decisions on spending the £13,795,332 West of England UKSPF allocation (with £3,608,467 ring fenced for Multiply) against priority regional outcomes set out below and agreed in the Investment Plans for UKSPF and Multiply, to the Combined Authority CEO in consultation with the CEOs of the constituent authorities."

July 2022 - <https://westofengland-ca.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=141&MIId=534>
Delegated decision under point 14 of the [decision log](#)

The Committee meeting in January 2022 resolved "To allocate £5m towards the creation of a Regional Recovery and Adaptions Fund and delegate the development of detailed assessment criteria and the approval of business cases to the Combined Authority Chief Executive in consultation with the Chief Executives of the constituent Councils."

January 2022 – <https://westofengland-ca.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=141&MIId=490>
Delegated decision under point 13 of the [decision log](#)

Decision-Taker

Full Name: Richard Ennis

Position: Interim Chief Executive West of England Mayoral Combined Authority

Date: 15.03.2024

**In Consultation with: -
The CEOs of the constituent Local Authorities.**