UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) in County Durham





UKSPF County Durham Investment Plan 2022-2025

£30.83m

Communities & Place £7.43m

Improvements to town centres and high streets and stimulating vitality

Improvements to community and neighbourhood infrastructure

Promotion of the county and support local arts, cultural, heritage and creative activities

Support for volunteering and social action projects

Measures to reduce the cost of living impact

Supporting Local Business £13.75m

Strengthening local business ecosystems and providing support at all stages for businesses to start, sustain, grow and innovate

Increase productivity, supporting local wealth creation and retention

Fostering innovation and growth including business accelerator programmes, incubators, and workspace

Support social enterprise development and community wealth building

Focus on green technology and support for decarbonisation

Focus on nurturing sector specialisms and clusters

People & Skills £9.65m

Providing a broad employment support offer

Supporting inclusivity through tailored support

Address barriers to work for those disengaged from the labour market

Provide activities to increase basic skills including wrap-around support to enhance and complement the Multiply programme

A broad skills support offer for people in the workforce, including skills support for redundancy; an adaptable offer that responds to sector pressures and skills shortages; the provision for green skills, local carbon sector skills support and digital skills

Delivery

County Durham Economic Partnership Plus Board

- Support Durham County Council to develop plans
- Oversee programme management
- Advise on strategic fit and deliverability of investment activities

Choosing our delivery route

- Open calls for proposals
- Procurement
- Direct Delivery
- Co-design with partners

Build Pride and Increase Life Chances

Increase employment





Improved town centres and community facilities



Increase in **visitor number** and spend



Increased sense of pride and community resilience



Increased cultural
activities/opportunities
and improved perception
of County Durham



Upskilled people in work and life



New and more productive and innovative **businesses**



Green house gas