

Item 10

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Glasgow City Region Cabinet



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UK Shared Prosperity Fund Q4 Report 25/26

Purpose of Report:

The report summarises the Glasgow City Region's UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) activity to the end of the financial year 2025/2026, the end of the current funding period.

Recommendations:

The GCR Cabinet is asked to:

- a) approve the Glasgow City Region UK Shared Prosperity Fund end of year report, for submission to UK Government

1 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The report summarises the Glasgow City Region's UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) activity to the end of the financial year 2025/2026, the end of the current funding period.

2 Background

- 2.1 Glasgow City Region (GCR) Programme Management Office (PMO), on behalf of the eight Member Authorities (MAs) and PMO delivery, is required to provide the UK Government with 6-monthly progress reports on UKSPF spend and activity. This report will be presented to the GCR Cabinet for approval prior to submission to the UKG.
- 2.2 As Cabinet will be aware, in the UKG Autumn Budget Statement, 30 October 2024, the Chancellor announced a 1-year extension to the UKSPF Programme for financial year 2025/2026.
- 2.3 In December 2025, the UKG announced changes to the UKSPF 2025-2026 funding period and the treatment of eligible costs. Costs may now relate to activity that takes place on or before the 30 September 2026 which is a 6-month extension to the previous spend eligibility deadline. An additional monitoring round will take place, due in early November 2026. Six of the MAs have indicated that they intend to make use of the extension and carry forward a small amount of funding into 2026/2027.

3 GCR UKSPF Final Programme spend 2022 - 2025

- 3.1 This 6-monthly report provides a summary of the UKSPF expenditure to the end of the financial year 2025/2026. This covers activity across the eight MAs and the GCR delivery. The summary is noted in Table 1.

	Spend to 31 March '26	Allocation	% of spend
EDC	£946,595	£1,159,175	82%
ERC	£888,657	£1,078,992	82%
GCC	£11,834,807	£11,834,806	100%
IC	£1,550,389	£1,550,389	100%
NLC	£4,664,982	£6,034,164	77%
RC	£1,914,434	£2,062,930	93%
SLC	£3,278,569	£4,007,757	82%
WDC	£951,945	£1,694,752	56%
GCR Total	£26,030,378	£29,422,965	88%

Table 1. GCR UKSPF Expenditure Summary 2025/2026

- 3.2 As noted in Table 1, the overall UKSPF spend across GCR MAs achieved 88% of the available budget at £26,030,378.
- 3.3 Due to the 6-month extension to the previous spend eligibility deadline, £3,392,587 will be carried forward, to be spent prior to the 30 September 2026.
- 3.4 Table 2 provides a summary by Thematic Priority.

Theme	Q4 Spend	25/26 Forecast	% of Spend
Communities and Place: Healthy Safe and Inclusive Communities	£7,613,747	£8,999,516	85%
Communities and Place: Thriving Place	£2,148,254	£2,719,316	79%
Local Business: Support for Business	£4,358,662	£5,463,765	79%
People and Skills: Employability	£8,368,855	£8,992,610	93%
People and Skills: Skills	£2,443,214	£2,132,955	87%
M&A	£1,097,647	£1,114,804	98%
GCR Total	£26,030,378	£29,422,965	88%

Table 2. GCR UKSPF Expenditure Summary by Priority Q4 2025/2026

4 Recommendation

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