



Glasgow City Region Cabinet

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UK Shared Prosperity Fund Q1 Report 2026/2027

Purpose of Report:

The report summarises the Glasgow City Region's UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) activity to the end of the Quarter 1 2026/2027.

Recommendations:

The GCR Cabinet is asked to note the Glasgow City Region UK Shared Prosperity Fund Q1 2026/2027 report.

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 Quarter 1 2026/2027.

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 the GCR 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 are making use of the extension and carrying forward a small amount of funding into 2026/2027.

3 GCR UKSPF Programme Spend

- 3.1 This report provides a summary of the UKSPF expenditure to the end of Quarter 1 2026/2027. This covers activity across the eight MAs and the GCR delivery. The summary is noted in Table 1.

	Spend to 30 June '26	Allocation	% of spend
EDC	£1,000,847	£1,159,175	86%
ERC	£922,296	£1,078,992	85%
GCC	£11,834,807	£11,834,806	100%
IC	£1,550,389	£1,550,389	100%
NLC	£5,034,286	£6,034,164	83%
RC	£2,025,530	£2,062,930	98%
SLC	£3,447,189	£4,007,757	86%
WDC	£1,115,672	£1,694,752	66%
GCR Total	£26,931,016	£29,422,965	92%

Table 1. GCR UKSPF Expenditure Summary Q1 2026/2027

- 3.2 As noted in Table 1, the overall UKSPF spend across GCR MAs achieved 92% of the available budget at £26,931,016.
- 3.3 Due to the 6-month extension to the previous spend eligibility deadline, £2,491,949 will be carried forward, to be spent in Q2 26/27, prior to the 30 September 2026 deadline.
- 3.4 Table 2 provides a summary by Thematic Priority.

Theme	Q1 Spend	25/26 Forecast	% of Spend
Communities and Place: Healthy Safe and Inclusive Communities	£7,678,678	£8,999,516	85%
Communities and Place: Thriving Place	£2,388,540	£2,719,316	88%
Local Business: Support for Business	£4,685,682	£5,463,765	85%
People and Skills: Employability	£8,497,045	£8,992,610	94%
People and Skills: Skills	£2,570,477	£2,132,955	120%
M&A	£1,110,594	£1,114,804	99%
GCR Total	£26,931,016	£29,422,965	92%

Table 2. GCR UKSPF Expenditure Summary by Priority Q1 2026/2027

4 Recommendation

- 4.1 The GCR Cabinet is asked to note the Glasgow City Region UK Shared Prosperity Fund Q1 report.