Communities and Place Theme

Intervention	Comments	Strategic fit (Progressive Partnership for Powys)	Strategi c Fit (GMW)	External		allocation Year	Indicative allocation Year 3 24/25
W1: Funding for improvements to town centres and high streets, including better accessibility for disabled people, including capital spend and running costs.		Developing Prosperous towns & villages		8 out of 15	£150,000	£320,000	£700,000

W2: Funding for new, or	Tackling the	2 out of 15	£85,000	£178,000	£550,000
improvements to existing,	climate &				
community and	biodiversity				
neighbourhood infrastructure	emergency.				
projects including those that					
increase communities'					
resilience to natural hazards					
such as flooding, and					
investment in locally owned					
renewable energy generation					
and waste management to					
improve the transition to low					
W3: Creation of and	Tackling the	3 out of 15	£85,000	£178,000	£500,000
improvements to local green	climate &				
spaces, community gardens,	biodiversity				
watercourses and	emergency.				
embankments, along with					
incorporating natural features					
and biodiversity improvements					
into wider public space.					

W4: Enhanced support for existing cultural, historic and heritage institutions that make up the local cultural and heritage offer, including improvements to access to sites to counter the effects of isolation, particularly for older people and disabled people.	heritage and is broader in scope		7 out of 15		
W5: Design and management of the built and landscaped environment to 'design out crime'.	Some activity already happening through Police and Crime Commissioners. Relatively low levels of crime.	Supporting vulnerable people	14 out of 15		

W6: Support for local arts, cultural, heritage and creative activities	Developing Prosperous towns & villages	4 out of 15	£82,000	£170,000	£550,000
W7: Support for active travel enhancement and other small- scale green transport infrastructure projects, having regard to the Wales Transport Strategy.	Connected Communities Tackling the cost of living crisis, poverty and the housing emergency	6 out of 15	£82,000	£170,000	£500,000

W8: Funding for the development and promotion of wider campaigns and year round experiences which encourage people to visit and explore the local area.	Similar to W17? Visit Wales doing some of this activity	Developing Prosperous towns & villages Tackling the climate and biodiversity emergency	13 out of 15			
W9: Funding for impactful volunteering and/or social action projects to develop social and human capital in local places.			5 out of 15	£62,056	£150,000	£400,000

W10: Funding for local sports facilities, tournaments, teams and leagues; to bring people together.	Fits with Wellbeing agenda	Supporting people to live well Supporting vulnerable people Developing Prosperous towns and villages	12 out of 15	£120,000	£250,000	£620,000
W11: Investment in capacity building and infrastructure support for local civil society and community groups.		Developing Prosperous towns and villages Running an open and democratic council	10 out of 15	£70,000	£200,000	£500,000

W12: Investment in community engagement schemes to support community involvement in decision making in local regeneration	covered in W11	Running an open and democratic council	9 out of 15			
W13: Community measures to reduce the cost of living, including through measures to improve energy efficiency, and combat fuel poverty and climate change.		Tackling the cost of living crisis, poverty and the housing emergency	1 out of 15	£90,000	£170,000	£500,000

W14: Funding to support relevant feasibility studies.	Allows future proposals to develop. Long term integrated planning	Developing Prosperous towns and villages	15 out of 15	£150,000	£160,000	£230,000
W15: Investment and support for digital infrastructure for local community facilities.		Developing prosperous towns and villages Connected Communities	11 out of 15	£82,000 £1,058,056	£170,113 £2,116,113	£494,216

Example projects (provided by UK Government)	Expected outputs/outcomes	Project Ideas
 Public realm improvements (street art, furniture or other decorative improvements Regenerating a town square or high street, including improvements to the management of these spaces The delivery of outreach/engagement/participatory programmes for community spaces, including youth centres and public libraries 	Number and m2 of commercial buildings developed or improved • Amount of rehabilitated land or premises • Amount of public realm created or improved • Amount of low or zero carbon energy infrastructure installed • Sqm of land made wheelchair accessible /step free • Jobs created /safeguarded • Increase footfall • Reduced vacancy rates • Greenhouse gas reductions	 Shopfront improvements (capital). (Economy) Shop adaptations post covid (small schemes) (repaint/signage) (Economy). Funding to employ town/ community champions to support local businesses and organisations (Economy) Transforming Towns - extension to other towns and larger villages (Economy) Enhanced Empty Properties Programme-conversion of empty commercial properties - will increase footfall, reduce vacancy rates and rebilitate land and premises (Housing) Enhanced Cyclic Maintenance Activities in Town centres - sweeping / litter / recycling / grass cutting (HTR) Town centre road / footway refurbishments (HTR). Painting of Structures and Bridge Refurbishments in towns and villages (HTR) Oriel Davies idea - high street regen - use of empty shops focused on health & wellbeing, making and selling

 The delivery of events programmes for community spaces, including youth centres and public libraries Building new or updating existing defences to increase communities' resilience to natural hazards like flooding or coastal erosion 	 Number of organisations receiving financial support / grants or non- financial support Number of facilities supported/created Number of local events or activities supported Amount of low or zero carbon energy infrastructure installed Number of properties better protected from flooding and coastal erosion 	 Sustainable drainage in our town centres - linked to Green Infrastructure and improved biodiversity within our town centres. Review opportunities alongside town centre refurbishments (HTR) Review strategy for implementing electric Bus services in major towns - lower carbon usage and contirbute to climate change (HTR) Implement Electric Vehicle charging strategy, for variety of EV hubs, residential charging needs, destination needs etc (HTR) Recycling/re-use - follow on from circular economy work in Newtown (Members working group) Possible flood prevention through gully cleaning and jetting (Members working group).
 Development of a new park or community garden particularly in areas with the least access to greenspace Regeneration of existing parks or community gardens, particularly in areas with poor quality parks and gardens Improvements to a canal towpath, particularly in more deprived neighbourhoods Urban/riparian tree planting Changes to management of green spaces, verges etc. Improving access to existing parks 	 Amount of rehabilitated land or premises Sqm of land made wheelchair accessible/ step free Amount of public realm created or improved Number of facilities supported/created or improved Amount of green or blue space created or improved Amount of new or improved cycleways or paths Number of neighbourhood improvements undertaken Number of trees planted 	 Opportunities to do work around community ownership of roadside verges - pollination, biodiversity etc (Members working group) Small revenue grant to create community spaces (Members working group) Biodiversity engagement: Staff time for awareness raising and activity days in schools so that projects can be developed. (Countryside) Greenspace enhancement, Tremont Estate Llandrindod: Legal fees for transfer of land to the Town Council; play equipment installation (including safety surface) and biodiversity enhancements. The area would be maintained long term by the Town Council. (Countryside) Improvements to signage on public rights of way, with volunteer engagement - would assist in residents and visitors being able to identify and follow public paths and spread visitor pressure / economic benefits of tourism from honeypot sites (Countryside) Village green relcoation / redesignation in Llanidloes. Work collaboratively with Town Council to 'swap' village green to more appropriate location, utilising existing area as formalised county counicl P&D car parking. (HTR) Rural active travel routes (o/s of Active Travel)

 The development or refurbishment of local natural, cultural and heritage assets The development, restoration or refurbishment of local natural, cultural and heritage assets and sites The delivery of outreach, engagement and participatory programmes for these local assets and sites 	 Number of organisations receiving financial support / grants or non- financial support Amount of rehabilitated land or premises •Amount of public realm created or improved Number of facilities supported/created Number of Tourism, Culture or heritage assets created or improved Number of events/participatory programmes Amount of green or blue space created 	 Arches, Ystradgynlais. Rich in history, large park area Grade 1 Market Hall, Llanidloes Staffing roles for outreach and engagement work; joint work with Social Care, Home Support, Acc Powys, Dementia Matters etc (Cultural services) Llandrindod Rock Park asset transfer (email Carl Cooper) Theatr Hafren refurbishment and redevelopment (email Sara Clutton)
 Promoting the active use of streets and public spaces throughout the daytime and evening Improvements to streetlighting Installation of new CCTV Funding for measures to improve street or public space safety, such as community wardens 	or improved •Amount of public realm created or improved • Amount of new or improved cycleways or paths • Number of neighbourhood improvements undertaken	 Review and consider need / benefit of Play streets in our communities - Play streets create a safe space for children to play together outside (HTR) Identify and assess existing pedestrian and cycling routes within the public realm where there are considered to be personal safety-related concerns and to look to develop a variety of measures to improve the safety along the route (HTR) ASB at the Park in Y Plas, Machynlleth & issues with an old stable block in the park land near the Plas (workshop) Lighting alongside Mont canal & welshpool to improve safety on pathways (workshop) Community cohesion activities (part of posts to deliver capacity for activities and engagement programmes generally) e.g. refugee events, pride events, activities to share languages and cultures (Cultural services)

 Funding for cultural, heritage, creative and art & craft events Funding for local art galleries/ museums/libraries for exhibitions Support for displays for artists to showcase work Locally-led music and theatre performances, tours, author events and film screenings Support for outreach/engagement /participatory programmes as part of wider local arts, cultural, heritage and creative activities Support for the establishment /development of cultural/heritage collaborative networks to share knowledge locally 	supported	 Support for small cultural events e.g. Presteigne Brecon Story project that has come out of the Brecon Cultural and Heritage project - roll out to other areas? (Leader report) Explanding outreach team to deliver activities for young people Maker spaces/ICT equipment - link to digital community hubs project UKCRF (Cultural services) Exhibitions of work by local artists or 'makers' with additional online viewing element - which would help trial or inform development of the Sharing/interface/digitisation elements of "Sharing The Assets" in the cultural services Digital Strategy
 Creation of new foot paths and cycle paths, particularly in areas of health need Upgrading of existing foot paths and cycle paths, particularly in areas of health need 	 Amount of new or improved cycleways or paths Number of neighbourhood improvements undertaken Amount of public realm created or improved Number of facilities supported/created Amount of green or blue space created or improved 	 Active travel in non-designated towns / rural application of active travel. (HTR) Revenue funded promotion work - behaviour change progs - comm'y led and schools led active travel project. Not funded in Mid (Vince)

 Local tourism campaigns Campaigns promoting the local area and its culture/heritage /leisure/visitor offer to residents and visitors Campaigns to encourage visitors from further afield to visit and stay in the region, collaborating with other places where appropriate 	 Number of organisations receiving financial support other than grants Number of organisations receiving grants Number of people reached Number of organisations receiving non- financial support Increased footfall /visitor numbers Increased number of web searches for a place Reduced vacancy rates 	 Mid Wales co-ordinated regional marketing campaign (digital content development, online and social campaigns, consumer shows (UK & overseas) focus on off season visits and incorporating the Wales Way routes. (Economy) A specific project around packaging of experiences and joint promotion. (Economy) Powys Ambassadors Programme set up to compliment the one for Ceredigion and BBNPA (Economy). Cambrian Mountains. Sian&Julie re: local trails promotion Feasibility study in partnership with Ceredigion looking at rural deprivation (could help to support the evidence base for the SPF work)
 Funding for local volunteering groups, such as youth charities, carers groups or refugee support groups Support for people to develop volunteering and/or social action projects locally 	 Number of organisations receiving financial support other than grants Number of organisations receiving grants or non-financial support Number of local events or activities supported Number of volunteering opportunities supported Number of projects Improved engagement numbers Volunteering numbers as a result of support 	 Countryside volunteering development, opps for community projects and own vol's - biodiversity Project to support young people into volunteering opportunities (Youth service) Volunteer training - digital champions in libraries and outreach (linking to library at home developments). Link to NPTC and high schools (Cultural) NPTC - appoint Community Engagement Officer - volunteering placements, Welsh Bacc etc.

 Renovation/maintenance of existing sports facilities Support for community sports leagues Regeneration of an unused area to build sports facilities Creation of new 3G sports pitches and other sports facilities 		 Llanfair Caereinion - Replacement of Outdoor Synthetic Pitch (leisure) Ystradgynlais - Replacement of Sand Dressed Astroturf Carpet (Leisure) Penlan Athletics Pavillion - Brecon. Spectator Stand & Changing Room Building Replacement failed interal and external fabric including roof, guttering, windows, floor coverings, plumbing & electrical replacement. (Leisure) Brecon Leisure Centre - Resurfacing of Athletics Track (Leisure) Reintroduction of previous schemes such as Sport Powys and 5 x 60 (Members working group) New energy solutions for sports facilities (Members working group) Small scale infrastructure and feasibilities
 Funding for community spaces, such as village halls, libraries or community centres for local civil society and community groups Training programmes to support local civil society and community group leaders 	 Number of organisations receiving financial support / grants or non- financial support Number of Tourism, Culture or heritage assets created or improved Number of people attending training sessions Number of facilities supported/created Amount of green or blue space created or improved Number of new or improved community facilities as a result of support Improved engagement numbers 	 Knighton Youth Project? (Email Cllr Ange W) Regeneration of Cwmllinau Hall? (Email SWEA) Training of vol's - encourage young people on to committees. Maintenance of village halls is a key issue, future training requirements to ensure that community groups are set up correctly as these groups take on a lot of responsibility. Need to ensuring the community spaces are safe and secure. Digital community hubs development, with training and volunteer elements; (Cultural)

 Programmes to encourage participation in local democracy, eg. information events on how to become a local councillor or developing youth participation in decision making 	 Number of organisations receiving grants or financial support other than grants or non-financial support Number of volunteering opportunities supported Number of people reached Number of local events or activities supported Improved engagement numbers 	 Town investment plans / community investment plans. Place Plans and Community Plans that can be adopted as SPG Councillor / MS / MP surgeries held in libraries (already happens) - use of digital tech for engagement in democracy from local hub. Outreach (mobile transformation) (Cultural)
 Programmes/campaigns to encourage uptake of energy efficiency measures for homes, including, heat pumps, water pumps and increased insulation 	 Number of people reached Number of organisations receiving grants or financial support other than grants or non-financial support Number of households receiving support Number of households supported to take up energy efficiency measures Greenhouse gas reductions Increased take up of energy efficiency measures 	 Rretrofit tying in skills development and training and local supply chain development this would have a broad impact upon commercial and domestic sectors, tackle some of our key regional challenges and fills a gaps which arent really progressing through other means. (Tom Yeo) Energy efficiency advice and support for homeowners Loan of thermal imaging cameras to detect heat loss - part of Library of Things (Cultural) Online learning re energy efficiency, reducing bills etc (NEST, Money Saviour etc) (Cultural) Expand our energy advocacy services from Llandrindod to more areas in Powys to help more people that will be experiencing fuel poverty. We would like to offer a Warm and Well Powys service that provides energy saving advice to homeowners and private renting tenants. It would focus on how to improve the energy efficiency of properties, and help householders reduce their energy bills. We would like to provide a freephone advice line, home visits, and community-based advisors to give residents free, impartial home energy support. (SWEA)

 Number of feasibility studies supported Increased number of projects arising from funded feasibility studies 	 Feasibility into park & ride opportunities throughout Powys, such as Brecon Beacons (HTR) Feasibility into improving car parking provision in Crickhowell, potentially relocation of allotments. (HTR) Feasibility - future use for The Arches, Ystrad (Economy) Feasibility studies to support the development of Growth Deal projects (Economy) Feasibility to identify new industrial sites for consideration in the new LDP (building on existing sites and premises feasibility). (Economy) Funding to develop project proposals identified within the 10 Town Investment Plan programme and also through existing place plans. (Economy)
 Number of organisations receiving grants or financial support other than grants or non-financial support Number of facilities supported/created Number of new or improved community facilities as a result of support Improved perception of facility/ infrastructure project Number of premises with improved digital connectivity 	 Develop town centre digital plans for our primary and regional retail centres. (Economy) Match funding for town wifi infrastructure schemes (ICT equipment is revenue/capital). (Economy) Support for businesses to develop digital services for local community. (Economy) Cultural Services Digital Strategy 2022-27 - Continuation and delivery of Seach the Assets. Learn and Educate – all actions from Embark to Sustain. Going Smart – continuation of the Library+ and the community hubs project; Augmented reality and "AI lite". Digital community hubs development following survey outcomes (libraries); expansion of pilot projects to other areas (Cultural services)