

ROTHERHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION

Date of Decision:	19 May 2026																												
Title:	UK Shared Prosperity Fund 2025/26																												
Decision Maker: (Including Job Title)	Chris Paddock, Interim Director of Policy, Strategy and Engagement																												
Details of Specific Delegation or Delegation contained in the relevant Sub-Scheme of Delegation.	<p>Cabinet approval – meeting held on 17 March 2025 (minute number 135 resolution 2)</p> <p>That Cabinet delegates authority to the Assistant Chief Executive (now Director of Policy, Strategy and Engagement), in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to determine revised and final allocations for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. This is to include provision for other eligible actions within the use of the fund should it not be possible to achieve full spend of the grant through the allocations (in resolution 1).</p>																												
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	Grand total	£3,283,080	£3,265,449
	*Ambition, Core Skills and Advance were managed as one project.		
Reasons for the Decision:	The table reflects the final position for Rotherham's UKSPF programme in 2025/26, including changes made to ensure effective delivery and seek to maximise the funding. N.B. figures in the 'Approved' column in the table reflect previous officer decisions made after the original Cabinet approval.		
Details of alternative options considered and rejected:	Alternatives have not been provided.		
Conflicts of interest declared by any Cabinet Member consulted by the decision maker which relates to the decision:	There are no conflicts of interest.		
Dispensations Granted: (If any)	None.		
Conflicts of interest declared by the Decision Maker if they sit as a Cabinet appointed representative to	There are no conflicts of interest.		

an outside body which relates to the decision:	
Reports or parts of reports considered	UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) 2025/26, report to Cabinet, March 17th 2025

I certify that this is a true record of the executive decision to:

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I confirm that in making this decision, due regard was given to the seven principles of public life.

Signed by the Decision Maker

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Paddock', written in a cursive style.

Dated: 19 May 2026

Name: Chris Paddock

Job Title: Interim Director of Policy, Strategy and Engagement