# Appendix 1 Flintshire Shared Prosperity Fund projects November 2023

### Flintshire only projects

# Accelerating Decarbonisation and Productivity through Technology and Skills (ADAPTS) Supporting Local Business £811,083 SPF

ADAPTS is a business intervention program that will provide Flintshire manufacturers with unparalleled access to advanced manufacturing technology engineers and demonstrators, knowledge transfer, training and upskilling in digital and decarbonisation strategies.

AMRC Cymru are the primary deliverer of the support, alongside partners in Small World Consulting & College Cambria.

# Flintshire Sustainable Decarbonised Future (FAST) Supporting Local Business £623,322 SPF

The FAST project aims to not only legally incorporate the already-established decarbonisation forum, but also targets the development of a bespoke deliverable roadmap which informs and empowers all sectors to catalyse and accelerate the transition to Net Zero. This project will deliver on a number of key areas with immediate and visible primary benefits. ARMC Cymru is Project Lead with the project managed through a cross-sector, multi organisation management board.

# The Flintshire Fund Supporting Local Business £297,294 SPF, £37,500 match funding

The project proposal is the provision and management of 3 grant funds to provide first stage support. Antur Cymru is the Lead Partner, and the grants are designed to support businesses to take their first steps on the zero carbon and R and D journeys and to provide funding to support local business networks which provide peer to peer support and information sharing and will add value to the business grants by both providing peer to peer support.

## Flintshire Green Digital Academy Supporting Local Business £273,867 SPF

This project expands the highly successful Green Digital Academy UKCRF pilot project to businesses in Flintshire. It provides expert evaluation and mentoring support to SMEs to improve their Digital and Net Zero capabilities in line with their core business strategy, supporting businesses to accelerate efficiency, productivity, carbon reduction and to reduce costs. Activities will be delivered and led by Grwp Llandrillo Menai (GLLM)

## Supporting Tourism and Sector Key Fund Supporting Local Business £679,000 SPF, £195 match funding

The project will be delivered by Cadwyn Clwyd and deliver across Flintshire with particular focus on the tourism and experience economy (as defined in the North Wales Economic Framework), the project will contribute towards the Levelling Up agenda in boosting productivity, pay, jobs

and living standards by growing the private sector, especially in those places where they are lagging.

### Town Centre Investment Programme Community and Place £1,178,452 SPF, £630,311 match funding

The proposed programme comprises 8 projects that will be delivered by Flintshire County Council and implemented across 7 town centres/ adjacent communities. Projects consist of Town Centre Property Investment Grant Scheme, Development of projects for future investment, Investment in Green Spaces, Employment of Promotion and Engagement Officer for Town Centre Markets Team, Town Centre Events & Activities Grant Scheme, Place Making Plan Development, Tailored Business Support Provision, and Communications & PR Project. In addition to the programme of 8 above projects there is an external evaluation of the programme.

# Connecting to Coast and Countryside Community and Place £335,040 SPF, £18,500 match funding

Flintshire County Council will focus on connecting people to our coast and countryside, and our cultural & heritage assets by delivering two main areas of interventions.

- 1. Building foundations for an accessible Coast Park in Flintshire which celebrates the natural environment and heritage of our Welsh coast
- 2. Improving the visibility of our assets through implementing a programme of new & upgraded tourist and boundary sign packages for sites of cultural, heritage & natural significance and to develop use of open spaces along the Dee Coastline.

# Greenfield Valley Heritage Park Improvement Programme Community and Place £597,500 SPF, £33,000 match funding

investment, (particularly capital investment) in future years.

This project constitutes a programme of nine related revenue projects which have been identified as key building blocks and enablers to the delivery of the 10-year strategy for the Greenfield Valley. The programme will be delivered by Greenfield Valley Trust with the dual aims of providing important benefits for the local community and visitors in the short term, whilst also facilitating progress on the Strategy's longer term overall objectives by doing the groundwork to enable larger scale

# Flintshire Community Key Fund Community and Place £703,850 SPF

The project will be delivered across the whole of Flintshire by Cadwyn Clwyd and Flintshire Local Voluntary Council (FLVC) with particular emphasis on local communities and grass roots services within Flintshire. The project will support community led and / or community owned venues / facilities / spaces / groups to develop, strengthen and enhance community infrastructure and community-based projects.

# LEAP (Learn Explore, Achieve, Perform) People and Skills £913,847 SPF

Flintshire County Council will deliver a wide number of education services and interventions that will be tailored to individual needs. The project seeks to improve the life chances of Flintshire residents through the provision of new education support packages not currently available. The needs of our

children and our more vulnerable adult population have changed greatly since Covid, and this programme will allow the authority to provide a comprehensive package to support children and adults into a positive outcome.

# Project 11 People and Skills £497,392 SPF

Flintshire Youth Justice Services will lead a multi-agency and multi-modal approach to reducing exploitation, violence and organised crime in order to create safe neighbourhoods. The project will provide specialist targeted 1:1 intervention and community outreach as well as responding to community profile information to support, deter and promote positive engagement and purposeful activity/skills development / volunteering for those engaging or at risk of criminal activity / Exploitation in our communities. The project will promote peer mentoring, diversionary activities and re-engagement in positive opportunities including education, training, sport and employment.

## Minding the Gaps of the Young People in Flintshire People and Skills

#### £562,600 SPF, £50,000 match funding

WeMindTheGap will deliver pathway of programmes to support a gap in engagement provision to meet the post covid needs of young people aged 16-25. From working in community and digitally to demonstrate a clear demand for a pathway of programmes designed to meet the needs of the post covid generation. Starting with digital, moving to employability programmes, and finally an alumni family to create a unique continuum of opportunities and support.

## Camau Cefnogol – Supportive Steps People and Skills £767,381 SPF

To be delivered by Coleg Cambria Supportive Steps will provide a bespoke package of mentoring support for participants aged 16-25 transitioning into Further Education, who require additional help, supporting their learning journey through college utilising progression routes into potential employment. The project seeks to achieve a reduction in the number of learners dropping out of FE and becoming NEET.

## Strength in Numbers Multiply £640,400 SPF

The Strength in Numbers project will be delivered by Flintshire County Council and deliver targeted interventions and provision to start adult learners on their numeracy journey, develop learners' numeracy skills, offer creative and personalised programmes of study with accreditation, promote the importance of numeracy and establish a robust numeracy workforce. The Project will offer free, flexible opportunities for adults aged 19 or over to improve their numeracy skills and gain a qualification.

### **Regional projects**

## Employer Skills North Wales/Sgiliau Cyflogwyr Gogledd Cymru People and Skills

### £1,840,398 Total SPF, £975,893 Flintshire SPF

As project partners Coleg Cambria and Grwp LLandrillo Menai will support employers in identifying and meeting training needs and skills gaps to achieve future growth and strategic objectives within

their business. The project will ensure that employers can access support for the skills that will help their business and allow their employees to develop additional skills. This will increase the skills base of the local economy.

### Working Sense People and Skills

#### £437,786 Total SPF, £143,578 Flintshire SPF

Working Sense is a project that will be delivered by Centre of Sign-Sight-Sound to enhance the employability of people over 25 with a sensory loss or disability, by providing specialist support to enable the target group to enter/re-enter and remain in employment or move closer towards employment using a holistic one to one approach utilising Employment Advisors and Support Workers.

## North Wales Active, Happy and Healthy Community and Place £521,805 Total SPF, £134,000 Flintshire SPF

Gogledd Cymru Actif North Wales will develop and build capacity, skills, resilience, and confidence in the communities that need the support most and have most to gain from this bespoke support. The aim is to build and enable social capital, encouraging local people to take part in opportunities to develop their community (civic participation) and give them the tools and power (and create local capacity) to drive and sustain the change and improvements in their local area (citizen power) that allow and enable them to active every day in a way that works for them.

### North Wales Growth Vision Opportunities Community and Place £1,057,713 Total SPF, £211,543 Flintshire SPF

Ambition North Wales the project aims to maximise the benefits and opportunities to residents, businesses, and communities across North Wales through investments aligned to the Growth Vision including the North Wales Growth Deal. The project will empower local leaders by increasing the capability and capacity to deliver growth-led projects.

## Horticulture Wales Community and Place

### £308,750 Total SPF, £135,451 Flintshire SPF, £37,848 match funding

Wrexham University Horticulture Wales (North East) builds on the successful all-Wales EU-funded Horticulture Wales project through the SPF Community and Place investment priority. It will continue to deliver increases in productivity, profitability, collaboration and resilience in the horticulture sector based in Denbighshire and Flintshire. By facilitating cluster member collaboration and blending latest growing technology and knowledge with traditional methods, the project will work with local SMEs, Community Interest Companies and schools across the two Local Authorities.

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### **Community and Place**

#### £502,974 Total SPF, £103,946 Flintshire SPF, £91,137 match funding

Keep Wales Tidy (KWT) will deliver a range of tried and tested activities to create and support a number of volunteer roles and opportunities, including litter champions/litter hub managers, it will establish new community groups to take local action and set up litter free zones for schools and businesses.

### The Regional Innovation and Skills Network

### **Supporting Local Business**

### £447,438 Total SPF, £99,986 Flintshire SPF, £147,480 match funding

The North East Wales Innovation and Skills Network project builds on Wrexham University's (WU) existing Ladder of Innovation business engagement programme by enhancing participation in Knowledge Transfer activities. Through this proposal, up to five additional **Knowledge Transfer Vouchers** worth £500 each will be available to businesses in the counties of Denbighshire, Flintshire and Wrexham as a contribution towards collaborative R&D activities, pilot studies, proof of concept activities, etc.

## Skills Innovation Voucher Scheme Supporting Local Business £360,000 Total SPF, £76,000 Flintshire SPF

The Skills and Innovation Voucher (SIV) scheme delivered by Bangor University will support small or medium-sized business (SMEs) and graduate entrepreneurs in the counties of Gwynedd, Isle of Anglesey and Flintshire to access Bangor University expertise, facilities, skills and talent relevant to their research and development (R&D), innovation and skills needs. This project has been designed to help businesses take that first step with accessing University expertise, facilities and talent.

# Multiply (North Wales Training) Multiply £599,260, £224,722 Flintshire SPF

North Wales Training will be working in partnership with Achieve More Training to deliver a 'Numeracy for Life' Programme for employed and unemployed residents of Wrexham and Flintshire designed to provide flexible courses, digital learning, and personal tutoring to support people to transform their lives by improving their daily numeracy skills. Numeracy for Life will be delivered via an online platform, e Assessor Pro which allows multiple choice, self-marking quizzes, self-reflection activities, and non-linear games providing learners with a rounded online learning experience.