Pendle Borough Council

Report Title	Pride In Place Impact Fund and UK Shared Prosperity Fund
Meeting	West Craven Area Committee
Meeting Date	7th July 2026
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Directorate	Place
Lead Executive Member(s)	Cllr Asjad Mahmood
Wards Affected	Barnoldswick, Earby & Coates
Public. Part Exempt, or Fully Exempt	Public
Appendices (if any)	None

1. Executive Summary

1.1 Pride in Place Impact Fund
At its meeting on June 26th 2026, Executive resolved that the unallocated funds remaining within the Pride in Place Impact Fund (PiPIF) for Earby be determined in dialogue with the Area Committee and in consultation with the MP.

1.2 UK Shared Prosperity Fund
Following completion of scheduled public realm works in Earby there remains approximately £6,853 unspent UKSPF funds.

2. Recommendations

For the reasons set out in this report, West Craven Committee is recommended to:

2.1 make a recommendation to Executive on the allocation of PiPIF towards projects.

2.2 make a recommendation to Executive on the allocation of the remaining UKSPF funds.

3. Information: the Rationale & Evidence for the Recommendations

3.1 Pride in Place Impact Fund

3.2 The shortlisted projects for the Pride in Place Impact Fund programme were determined by Executive in March 2026 following consultation and prioritisation through scoring.

3.3 Following fund allocation to individual projects and after variations occurring within the programme the remaining unallocated funds to Earby are £29,086.

3.4 £3,250 has been put back into the Earby programme as a result of seats in bus shelters at Earby Bus station going ahead with alternative funding.

3.5 £25,685 in PIPIF allocations has been withdrawn from projects by Earby TC, with the Town Council agreeing to self-fund these projects.

3.6 Options for the allocation of the funds to projects can include:

i. **increasing budgets to existing selected projects where they would benefit from this**

This has the advantage of these being projects within the agreed programme already. Where this option is selected, the allocation of additional funds should allow the project to deliver a greater impact or additional benefit with the extra funds given.

ii. **returning to the list of scored projects and those which could not be afforded;**

Projects which were scored but did not form part of the final shortlist for Earby.

iii. **looking at the responses to the public survey for additional ideas.**

The PIPIF report to the Executive in March 2026 cited this as an option should further programme ideas be required.

3.7 In considering their recommendation, committee members should consider remaining timescales in the programme including key factors originally considered; realistic delivery, ownership, statutory permissions etc.

3.8 **UK Shared Prosperity Fund**

3.9 Following completion of scheduled public realm works in Earby through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund there is £6,853 Capital remaining.

3.10 The Engineering Manager has no further planned works to undertake in Earby as part of this scheme. The remaining amount is not large enough to carry out any further works of significance.

3.11 Committee is asked whether there are further works this can be spent on in Earby. It should be noted that UKSPF funds must be spent by the end of September 2026 or returned.

3.12 If there are no additional Capital public realm works able to be delivered immediately, Committee is asked whether it would consider transferring this remaining allocation to Brierfield where members have put forwards a scheme of additional works in their area, using up their own remaining allocation and which can utilise this one also.

4. Link to Council Plan Priorities: (Providing High Quality Services and Facilities, Proud and Connected Communities and Places, Good Growth and Housing and Healthy Communities)

4.1 The delivery of the Pride in Place Impact Fund will meet with the following Council Priorities:

- **Priority 2: Proud and Connected Communities and Places**
  The projects will provide visual improvements across communities, helping to foster a sense of pride in towns and neighbourhoods.

  Priority 3: Good Growth
  Supporting regeneration and new development within communities, leading to improved assets and visual amenities, which help to encourage visitors to town centres and neighbourhoods and promote investment.

5. Implications

5.1 **Financial Implications**

The Council is the Accountable Body for the programmes.

For Pride in Place Impact Fund the Council has received capital funding of £1.5m. The allocation is to be spent over 2025-26 and 2026-27. Funding is broken down equally across the two years, 50% in 2025-26 and 50% in 2026-27.

All Pride in Place Impact Fund monies must be committed by March 2027. Any uncommitted funding as at 31 March 2027, or funding that is committed by that date and then subsequently unspent, must be repaid to MHCLG.

All UK Shared Prosperity Fund must be spent by September 2026 or repaid to MHCLG.

6. **Statutory Officer Sign off** (please put an x in the relevant box below)

Section 151 Officer	X
Monitoring Officer	X

7. Background Documents

None

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