UK Shared and Rural England Prosperity Funds 2025/26 Project Delivery

Project	Budget	Actual Spend	Funding Source	Project update
				COMPLETED – small overspend to be covered by underspend on Victory in Europe (VE) Day event
Ufest 2025	£4,000	£4,277.10	UKSPF	UFEST was delivered on Friday 15 August. The core team was supported by volunteers across the Council and partners to deliver the Council's annual health and wellbeing festival. Attendance surveys are being reviewed and will identify areas where residents may need support in future.
Saltmarsh Fest 2025	£10,000	£1,916	UKSPF	2025 festival dates confirmed as 26 September to 5 October. A programme of 35 walks across the district has been developed along with complementary evening events.
Increase tourism budget	£12,000	£1,374.79	UKSPF	New promotional materials have been designed as part of the ongoing promotion of the district. Collaborative campaigns are being developed with partners alongside paid for marketing opportunities.
Culture and Heritage Strategy	£25,000	£25,000	UKSPF	Cultural Engine have been appointed as the consultants to support the development of this work. Engagement opportunities with organisations and stakeholders have commenced.
North Essex Economic Board Business Support	£26,675	£26,675	UKSPF	The Consortium have been appointed as the delivery body for the collaborative business support work. A schedule of events, training and coworking opportunities for businesses is currently being developed.
One Maldon District Partnership - Thriving Places Grant scheme	£60,000	£0	UKSPF	One Maldon District Partnership (OMDP) organisations will be submitting expressions of interest to deliver projects that directly contribute towards OMDPs Thriving Places priorities of: • Access to services (including transport) • Community and Community Cohesion • Community Safety • Mental Health • Green Spaces
VE Day Event	£3,000	£2,540	UKSPF	COMPLETED – as per previous report
99 Wood Road Community Supermarket Location	£20,000	£20,000	UKSPF	Refurbishment due for completion at the end of August with a formal launch due in September.
Management and Administration	£16,004	£9,866.82	UKSPF	Part of the funding has been utilised to increase the Tourism and Marketing Officer's hours to full time. This allows for supporting the delivery of Projects 2, 3 and 4. The remainder will be utilised to implement the required branding for both UKSPF and REPF.

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Community Grants Scheme – Where Quality of Life Matters	£200,000	£0	Maldon District Council 25/26 - 26/27	Guidance, application process and governance procedure is being developed by offices. Applications will be accepted during 1 September to 30 November 2025 from: Town or Parish Councils within the Maldon District. Registered voluntary, community, or charitable organisations. Registered Social Enterprise.
Community Grants Officer post	£61,335	£6,758.66	UKSPF 25/26 Maldon District Council 26/27	Officer commenced their role on 7 July 2025 and has been working to support the delivery of Project 10.
Continued development of 'Secret Garden' at Promenade Park	£105,000 £93,000	£0 £0	UKSP REPF	Initial design has been provided by the contractor and are in the process of being costed.
Delivery of cultural event activities within the district	£25,000	£0	UKSPF Maldon District Council	Three events proposed across the district to be delivered in 25 / 26 covering, inclusive culture (Colourscape Promenade Park 30-31 August), a seasonal event and music. These events will also provide engagement opportunities for the delivery of Project 4.
Temporary concession infrastructure Riverside Park	£18,038	£0	REPF	Improvements to the access & pathway (allowing for safe vehicular movements) and base for a temporary concession to stand. Contractor quotes awaited.
Her Space, Burnham on Crouch	£18,039	£0	REPF	Application has been submitted to the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner to match fund the project. Engagement will commence once students return from summer break.
Project total	£697,091	£98,408.37		
Contingency	£86,278			
Total	£783,369			

UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) Allocation - £327,146 Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF) Allocation - £129,077 Maldon District Council Match Funding - £327,146