

UKSPF interventions:	E16: Investment in open markets and improvements to town centre retail and service sector infrastructure, with wrap around support for small businesses.	E17: Funding for the development and promotion (both trade and consumer) of the visitor economy, such as local attractions, trails, tours and tourism products more generally.	E18: Supporting Made Smarter Adoption: Providing tailored expert advice, matched grants and leadership training to enable manufacturing SMEs to adopt industrial digital technology solutions including artificial intelligence; robotics and autonomous systems; additive manufacturing; industrial internet of things; virtual reality; data analytics. The support is proven to leverage high levels of private investment into technologies that drive growth, productivity, efficiency and resilience in manufacturing.	E19: Increasing investment in research and development at the local level. Investment to support the diffusion of innovation knowledge and activities. Support the commercialisation of ideas, encouraging collaboration and accelerating the path to market so that more ideas translate into industrial and commercial practices.	E20: Research and development grants supporting the development of innovative products and services	E21: Funding for the development and support of appropriate innovation infrastructure at the local level.	E22: Investing in enterprise infrastructure and employment/innovation site development projects. This can help to unlock site development projects which will support growth in places.	E23: Strengthening local entrepreneurial ecosystems, and supporting businesses at all stages of their development to start, sustain, grow and innovate, including through local networks	E24: Funding for new and improvements to existing training hubs, business support offers, 'incubators' and 'accelerators' for local enterprise (including social enterprise) which can support entrepreneurs and start-ups through the early stages of development and growth by offering a combination of services including account management, advice, resources, training, coaching, mentorship and access to workspace.
Levelling Up Mission/s:	Mission 4: Digital Connectivity Mission 6: Skills Mission 9: Pride in Place	Mission 4: Digital Connectivity Mission 6: Skills Mission 9: Pride in Place	Mission 4: Digital Connectivity Mission 6: Skills	Mission 2: Research & Development Mission 6: Skills	Mission 2: Research & Development Mission 6: Skills	Mission 1: Living Standards Mission 2: Research & Development	Mission 2: Research & Development Mission 9: Pride in Place	Mission 6: Skills	Mission 4: Digital Connectivity Mission 6: Skills Mission 9: Pride in Place
North Devon Council:		Links with DMO progressive work to develop a stronger governance for the whole area (northern Devon)		Bespoke innovation grant scheme to help businesses move their ideas along - and access Innovate UK larger grants.		Agri tech/food technology centre			
Torriford District Council:	Town centre management support Sed funding for experiences within town centres (including working with Biosphere)	Support DMO investigations	Linkages to Blue economy opportunities / preparedness for FLOW	Linkages to Blue economy opportunities / preparedness for FLOW		Links to Middle Dock	HABC Phase 2 feasibility Development funding for HABC Phase 2	Support Middle Dock development pipeline Build stronger engagement with Celtic Sea Cluster and FLOW developers Seek funding for sector development support Coordinating wider blue economy?	
Partners:	<p>ND+: Bespoke sector support packages to help transform and support existing investments in town centres such as: Support packages for independent retailers across key locations these could be linked into investments in Green Lanes (Pannier market / high street developments). Petroc: Provision of small-scale knowledge transfer activity, including through KTP-style projects delivered by students at L2-L5 (ie Techknowledge Transfer/Knowledge Works model); Outreach from Node/Cotie/Fablab to support innovation & entrepreneurship incl promoting business use of innovative technologies eg AR/VR & AI; Development of Empowering Enterprise model to encourage entrepreneurship, especially amongst those who are harder to reach; Expansion of Hospitality Skills Pilot; Potential to run a grant programme for small businesses linked to the above.</p>	<p>ND+: could deliver bespoke support packages for Tourism, improving their businesses / services / offers / reviews of accessibility and service. Petroc: Interested in providing knowledge transfer input for businesses in the tourism & hospitality sector and expand on Hospitality Skills Pilot.</p>	<p>NDF Action Group EIS: Strong support for taking up the 'Made Smarter' model for digital advances within manufacturing Petroc: Collaborative support through Node/Cotie/Fablab innovation partnership, and including SETSquared (university of Exeter), promoting innovation through a range of digital and other technologies such as AR/VR, AI, rapid prototyping, clean room, net zero etc. Knowledge transfer activities and mentoring. Potential to run a grant programme for small businesses to complement the above activity.</p>	<p>ND+: Elements of this could come under a DEF-type grant scheme as per E18 Petroc: Collaborative support through Node/Cotie/Fablab innovation partnership, and including SETSquared (university of Exeter), promoting innovation through a range of digital and other technologies such as AR/VR, AI, rapid prototyping, clean room, net zero etc. Knowledge transfer activities and mentoring. Potential to run a grant programme for small businesses to complement the above activity.</p>	<p>ND+: As per E18 Petroc: Potential to run a small grants scheme for local small businesses, leveraging private sector investment in R&D, linked to Cotie research and innovation centre</p>	<p>ND+: Be good to see something around Food / Drink and Agri / Food innovation DCC: Continued support of and activities within the Agri-Tech Alliance - Devon wide NDF Action Group EIS: Developing activities and resources to increase engagement between schools and industry Petroc: Further development of Cotie research, innovation & rapid prototyping facilities at North Devon Campus; Support for the development of Middle Dock, Appledore.</p>	<p>NDF Action Group EIS: Feasibility of work to support future unlocking of sites and infrastructure - looking at finance models for this Petroc: Further development of Cotie research, innovation & rapid prototyping facilities at North Devon Campus; Support for the development of Middle Dock, Appledore.</p>	<p>ND+: A business support focus or peer group support within key sectors. There is no budget for core business support beyond March 2023 at present, need to consider this within 3 year plan. Petroc: Further development of collaboration between Cotie, Node, Fablab, SetSquared, BIPC, as well as Middle Dock collaboration, to strengthen the local entrepreneurial ecosystem. Support and development of peer networking approaches and sharing of best practice; Potential small grant scheme for small businesses to complement above activity.</p>	<p>Petroc: CoTIE and PIE ND+: Bespoke start up and accelerator programmes (inc mentoring) possibly linked in DEF type grant. There is no budget for core business support beyond March 2023 at present, need to consider this within 3 year plan. Petroc: Further development of Cotie research, innovation & rapid prototyping facilities at North Devon Campus; Support for the development of Middle Dock, Appledore; Further development of support services offered through these facilities, particularly through enhancing collaborations such as between Node, Cotie, Fablab, BIPC and SETSquared and small scale knowledge transfer projects; Potential small grants scheme for small businesses to leverage private sector investment, linked to above activity. Libraries Unlimited: The BIPC is a leader in supporting female entrepreneurship. Operating programmes such as Woman in Business and Diversity in Business. Have secured external funding each year to support 22 female founded start-ups & 22 new BAME founded businesses</p>

UKSPF interventions:	E25: Grants to help places bid for and host international business events and conferences that support wider local growth sectors	E26: Support for growing the local social economy, including community businesses, cooperatives and social enterprises	E27: Funding to develop angel investor networks nationwide.	E28: Export Grants to support businesses to grow their overseas trading, supporting local employment.	E29: Supporting decarbonisation and improving the natural environment whilst growing the local economy. Taking a whole systems approach to invest in infrastructure to deliver effective decarbonisation across energy, buildings and transport and beyond, in line with our legally binding climate target. Maximising existing or emerging local strengths in low carbon technologies, goods and services to take advantage of the growing global opportunity	E30: Business support measures to drive employment growth, particularly in areas of higher unemployment.	E31: Funding to support relevant feasibility studies.	E32: Investment in resilience infrastructure and nature based solutions that protect local businesses and community areas from natural hazards including flooding and coastal erosion.
Levelling Up Mission/s:	Mission 1: Living Standards	Mission 2: Research & Development	Mission 2: Research & Development	Mission 2: Research & Development	Mission 1: Living Standards Mission 3: Transport Infrastructure Mission 7: Health	Mission 1: Living Standards	Mission 2: Research & Development	Mission 7: Health Mission 8: Wellbeing Mission 9: Pride in Place
North Devon Council:			This is definitely an aspiration long-held from our Innovation Board		Deliver against the Devon Carbon Plan objectives: Create resilient local economies through access to green finance and a circular use of resources - action plan development		Food Technology Centre	
Torrige District Council:		Libraries Unlimited keen to operate in this field. Dartington SSE CRF project underway.	A northern Devon angel-investment and mentoring network is a huge possibility here, especially when linked to an organised mentoring network feeding down into entrepreneurial grants AND to interact with schools, creating clear pathways (including the development of a northern Devon equivalent to https://plymouthmakes.co.uk/)				Holeworthy Agri-Business Centre Phase 2	
Partners:	Petroc: Development and delivery of a programme of business events and conferences.	ND+: Business support packages and possible DEF type schemes, these are currently open to charities community groups and CICs. May be something that we could collaborate on with CVS's? Petroc: Targeting social enterprises/community businesses with support through knowledge transfer activities, masterclasses and mentoring ie Techknowledgey Transfer/Knowledge Works model of L2-L5 students undertaking projects within businesses to improve their efficiency and performance; Building on Empowering Enterprise model to encourage community-based enterprise; Potential to support scheme with small-scale grants for social enterprises/community businesses.	ND+: Feasibility/development study to scope this out? Petroc: Potential to provide venues for networking events (may need to charge a fee, depending on nature of events)	ND+: Could be part of a DEF-type grant preparing for exporting	Biosphere: NCMP farm advisory to increase take-up ND+: Could offer business support around de-carbonisation Biosphere: Impact Fund launch Biosphere: Smart Biosphere tech integration for celtic sea/FLOW models Petroc: Small-scale knowledge transfer (Techknowledgey Transfer/Knowledge Works model) to support local small businesses to adopt more sustainable business practices; Promotion of innovation linked to the Blue/Green economy, natural capital and net zero through Cotle & Middle Dock; Potential small grants scheme to support SMEs to engage in the programme and adopt best practice. Cosmic: Green Growth project that aims to decrease carbon reliance while sustaining and increasing business growth.	ND+: Could look at bespoke enterprise programmes / coaching alongside specific areas of deprivation. There is no budget for core business support beyond March 2023 at present, need to consider this within 3 year plan. DCC: Devon wide business support programme, including a start-up support package Petroc: Enhancement of support through Node/Cotle/Fablab collaboration for new and early start entrepreneurs, including outreach activities; Enhancement of support through Tiverton Campus Business Innovation Centre for new and early stage entrepreneurs, including outreach activities; Small-scale knowledge transfer (Techknowledgey Transfer/Knowledge Works model) to support local small businesses to adopt more efficient/effective/productive business practices.	Biosphere: Woodland Enterprise Zone - feasibility and site search/architectural designs Biosphere: Development of aquaculture integration with FLOW	DWT: Northern Devon Natural Solutions (NDNS) is working with farmers and communities across Torrige and North Devon to recover pioneer 'natural solutions' to some of our biggest environmental challenges. Through whole farm assessments, training, specialist 1:1 advice and support, landowners & managers will be helped to restore and re-create wildlife habitat, locking up carbon, managing pollution and helping to manage flood risk with a focus on natural processes.