# **Rural England Prosperity Fund**

# **Grant Application Form**

## Please email completed applications to economic.development@stroud.gov.uk

# Please refer to the Guidance Notes document when completing your application. Further information is available at www.stroud.gov.uk/REPF

Please note – we are not able to assess applications which exceed the word allowances.

## **Section 1 - Project Overview**

### All applicants must complete this section.

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| **Project Title:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Application Organisation:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Type of Organisation (business, community etc.):** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Application Address:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Project Location Post Code:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Primary Contact Name:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Primary Contact Job Title:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Email Address:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Website address:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Telephone Number:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |

## **Project Summary**

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| Please give a brief summary of your project: (50 words max.)  Click or tap here to enter text. |

## **Project Details & Delivery**

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| Please describe the following: (1000 words max.)   * Your proposed project and its objectives * How the project will be managed and implemented * How you will spend the funds * What the main challenges and risks are for your project   Click or tap here to enter text. |

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| Does your project require planning permission or other consents?\* | Choose an item. |
| If yes, have they been secured?\*\* If so, please confirm the planning reference number | Choose an item.  Click or tap here to enter text. |

\*\*if your project requires planning permission we are unable to assess your application until this is in place.

### **Section 2 - Rural Businesses**

### Please only complete this section if you are a business, social enterprise, or CIC.

### Community organisations must complete section 3.

Please select the relevant category for your project:

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| For small scale investment in micro and small enterprises |  |
| For new energy efficient / low carbon technologies for your business |  |
| To grow the local social economy (community businesses, social enterprises) to support innovations such as shared workspaces, hubs, networking |  |
| For farm diversification to generate new income streams |  |
| To develop and promote tourism and/or the visitor economy |  |
| To improve digital connectivity infrastructure |  |
| To improve land & premises security |  |

Please select which outcomes your project will meet, and quantify this by providing the relevant number in the right-hand column:

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| **Rural Business Outcomes** | **Tick** | **Total** (number) |
| Jobs created |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Jobs safeguarded |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Creating a new business |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Adopting new-to-the-firm technologies, innovation or processes |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Improving productivity of business |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Increasing growth of business |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Increasing businesses export capability |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Increasing business turnover |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |

## **Impacts of the grant on your business:**

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| Please describe how your project meets each of the outcomes you have selected:  (500 words max.)  Click or tap here to enter text. |

### **Section 3 - Rural Communities**

### Please only complete this section if you are a community organisation.

### Businesses must complete section 2.

Please select the relevant category for your project:

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| To support digital infrastructure for local community facilities |  |
| To build capacity and support infrastructure for local civil society and community groups |  |
| To create or improve local rural green spaces |  |
| For existing cultural, historic and heritage institutions which make up the local cultural heritage offer |  |
| For local arts, cultural, heritage and creative activities |  |
| To enhance footpaths / cycle ways in the local area |  |
| To support rural circular economy projects, such as repair cafes / mend workshops |  |
| To support volunteering and social action projects to develop social and human capital in your community |  |

Please select which outcomes your project will meet, and quantify this by providing the relevant number in the right-hand column:

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| **Outcome** | **Tick** | **Total** (number) |
| Jobs created |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Jobs safeguarded |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Creating a new business |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Improved perception of community facilities, infrastructure project or amenities |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Increased users of community facilities or amenities |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Increased footfall |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Increased visitor numbers |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Increased use of cycle ways or footpaths |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Improved engagement numbers |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| New community-led arts, cultural, heritage and creative programmes |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Improved perception of community events |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| New community-led programmes |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Increase in volunteer numbers |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Improved accessibility to local green spaces |  | Click or tap here to enter text. |

## **Impacts of the grant on rural communities:**

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| Please describe: (500 words max.)   * How your project will strengthen the rural economy and / or your rural community * The evidence of the need or demand for your project   Click or tap here to enter text. |

## **Section 4 – Nature Recovery & Net Zero**

### All applicants to complete this section.

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| Please indicate if your project contributes to the following, and if so, please describe how:  (500 words max.)   * The UK’s commitment to cut greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2050 * Wider environmental considerations, such as resilience to natural hazards * The commitments set out in the Government’s [25 Year Environment Plan](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/25-year-environment-plan/25-year-environment-plan-our-targets-at-a-glance)   Click or tap here to enter text. |

## **Section 5 – Value for Money / Added Value**

### All applicants to complete this section.

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| Please describe: (500 words max.)   * How you will ensure that your project is cost effective * Why you believe your project should receive public funding * What would happen without the grant?   Click or tap here to enter text. |

## **Section 6 – Match Funding**

#### All applicants to complete this section.

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| Projects are required to have 60% match funding to receive a REPF grant, except in special circumstances. Please answer the following: (100 words max.)  * Does your project have 60% match funding secured? If yes, please provide details * If no, please explain why you are unable to fund your project by any other means   Click or tap here to enter text. |

## **Section 7 – Declarations**

### All applicants to complete this section.

Please use the table below to declare any public sector funding you have received within the previous three years:

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| **Date awarded:** | **Amount received:** | **Name of funding body:** |
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| **By ticking this box, you confirm you have not received funding from the following:**  The Farming in Protected Landscapes Programme (DEFRA), The Farming Investment Fund  The Farming Equipment or Technology Fund (DEFRA) or  The Platinum Jubilee Village Hall improvements Grant (DEFRA) |  |

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| Total amount of grant funding being applied for: | 2024-25 £Click or tap here to enter text. |

### **Expenditure Profile Plan**

Please list the capital items the grant will be spent on:

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| Item | Have 3 quotes been obtained | Total (not incl. VAT) |
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| TOTAL (not incl. VAT): | | £Click or tap here to enter text. |

### **Final Declarations**

By ticking this box, you confirm you are able to provide auditable evidence of three quotes for each item the grant will be spent on.

By ticking this box, you confirm that you will complete monitoring and evaluation paperwork as required by Central Government, as well as providing evidence of outcome achieved. (This to be completed with requirements.)

By ticking this box, you confirm that you understand that REPF grants are paid in arrears, on our receipt of confirmation of spend.

By ticking this box, you confirm all information provided is to the best of your knowledge.

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| Name: | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Signature: | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Date: | Click or tap here to enter text. |