

Pride in Place Impact Fund

Consultation workshops

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What is The Pride in Place Impact Fund?

- **“Purpose:** up to £150 million to invest in communities” – across the country
-PiPIF Prospectus
- *“short-term funding for immediate improvements to make sure that the places and spaces valued by communities are improved and match the pride people feel for their local areas”*
- MHCLG webinar on PiPIF
- *“Visible impact and undertaken within a short space of time. You can be inventive, creative, shape it with communities to meet their local needs”*
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- *“to revive high streets, parks and public spaces”*
- interpretation by journalists; succinct and to the point

PIPIF is 100% Capital funding

This limits what it can be used for.

Think of it primarily as being:

- *Property, Plant and Equipment*
- *Expenditure on the acquisition, construction, or enhancement of a fixed asset Eg machinery, buildings, equipment (with benefit for more than 12 months)*
- *Could be stretched to enhancing assets also at the discretion of the council.*

Objectives: The fund can only be spent in 3 ways

Objective:	Purpose:	Example activities:
<p>Community spaces</p>	<p>The focus of this objective is buildings and indoor spaces.</p> <p>Of importance to the community</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • providing funding to a community group to take ownership of a disused asset • providing funding to refurbish or improve an asset already in community ownership • funding to refurbish or improve assets owned by public bodies for community activity • funding to create, improve or refurbish maker spaces • funding to create or improve art galleries, theatres, museums, libraries, cultural or heritage sites, sports facilities • creating or expanding on existing community assets to promote community cohesion
<p>Public spaces</p>	<p>The focus of this objective is outdoor recreation spaces.</p> <p>Parks etc</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • creating or improving parks or community gardens, particularly in areas with poor quality parks and gardens • improvements to a canal towpath, riverside walk or other leisure space • creating or refurbishing play areas and sports pitches/courts, installing outdoor gym equipment • providing new or replacing street furniture, repainting of public spaces, creating new shaded areas such as new shelters for bus stops, improved lighting and adaptations to reduce crime and the fear of crime • public art that reflects local culture and history, creating trails and installing new signs to help with wayfinding • creating and refurbishing footpaths, cycle ways and shared use paths • creating or refurbishing a pavilion or bandstand to support cultural, heritage, sporting and creative events • provision of public toilets or improvements to existing facilities, including providing Changing Places toilets
<p>High street and town centre revitalisation</p>	<p>The focus of this objective is regenerating high streets and local shopping areas.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • improving street surfaces, street furniture, repainting of public spaces, creating new shaded areas such as new shelters for bus stops, improved lighting, measures to reduce the fear of crime, cycleways and shared paths • shop front improvement grants • grants to bring disused premises back into commercial use • provision of public toilets or improvements to existing facilities, including providing Changing Places toilets • providing infrastructure that supports street markets



The purpose of these consultation sessions

- We are seeking your views on how money is spent.
- Pendle Council is the accountable body for the funding
- Project ideas from you as stakeholders will be taken back to Pendle Council Leadership for their determination.

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- Requirement: Report back to government by 16th February 2026 spend “forecast” across the objectives

Your first task

As a group, determine how much funding you intend to put into each of the 3 Objectives. Eg 70% into Town Centres and 30% into Parks.

- Project ideas taken back to PBC for determination
- Report back to government no later than May 2026: A summary of projects to be supported, with costs

Your second task

Identify projects you would like to recommend PBC allocating funds to.

Timescales

			First 50% of Funding paid to PBC in November
PBC Executive confirms allocation of funds by area	December 2025		
Consultation sessions	January 2026		
Report an initial spend forecast across the 3 objectives	February 2026		Report to Government
Take project ideas back to PBC Leadership			
The funding allocation for 2026/27 paid <u>subject to submission of a satisfactory February 2026 return.</u>	April - June 2026		Remaining 50% of Funding received
A summary of projects to be supported, with costs	May 2026		Report to Government
Programme closure	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.

Regeneration funds are being allocated to Councils to make investments in assets for the community to benefit from.

Consider that Councils already own and operate community assets and quickest route forward to secure permission to carry out projects may be to use it on these assets.