

Expression of Interest Local Growth Fund

South East Local Enterprise Partnership (SELEP)

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1. Background

This Expression of Interest (Eoi) template should be completed for all projects looking to secure a LGF funding allocation (or an additional LGF allocation) through LGF 3B.

The Eoi will be used to inform the initial sifting of projects by Federated Areas (Stage 1). For projects which are successful in progressing to Stage 2, for prioritisation by SELEP, a Business Case will be required.

For further information on the assessment approach, please see the guidance note on the prioritisation of projects for LGF R3B.

Please note that the information included within this template will be shared with SELEP Independent Technical Evaluator, Steer Davies Gleave, who will be providing independent advice and supporting the prioritisation of projects.



Summary Information

Project Title

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Project Location

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Lead contact for the Project

Name	
Organisation	
Job Title	
Contact number	
Email Address	

Lead contact for County Council/Unitary Authority (if different from above)

Name	
Organisation	
Job Title	
Contact number	
Email Address	



Project Information

Brief Description (No more than 300 words)

Please state explicitly what the LGF investment would be used to pay for and a succinct summary of the project.

Project Objectives

Please set out the project objectives and how these objectives will support SELEP's objectives to support economic growth.



Policy Context

Specify how the intervention aligns with national/regional/local planning policies and the SELEP SEP

Options sifting

Please provide details of any alternative options for the project scope which have been considered in developing the project and explain why the option detailed above has been identified as the preferred option. This should include consideration of impact of non-intervention (do nothing).

Total amount of LGF sought

Please state the amount of LGF sought, identify any flexibility to reduce the amount of funding sought or to adjust the LGF spend profile to fit with LGF available.

If an additional LGF allocation is being sought for an existing LGF project, please provide an explanation in this section.



Funding breakdown

The funding profile should include all project costs including risk contingency and consideration for project inflation costs.

Source	Prior to 2018/19	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22 onwards	Total
LGF 3B						
<i>Other sources of funding (please list below)</i>						
Total						

Certainty of local funding contributions

Provide comment on the status and risk of funding contributions to the project, e.g. received, committed, identified but not secured, unsecure. Will the local funding sources be available to spend in the timescales required to meet the project spend forecast?



Value for Money

Expected outputs

Provide a description of the outputs which will be achieved through LGF investment

Expected outcomes/benefits

Provide information about the benefits which are expected to be achieved through LGF investment. This should include details of the timescales over which the benefits will be achieved.

If any quantitative value for money analysis is available, please provide here.



Delivery and Risk

Stakeholder Support for the Project

Please provide details of any public consultation or stakeholder engagement which has been undertaken in relation to the project and the main findings of this engagement work

State Aid Implications

Please indicate how your project complies with State Aid Regulations.

NB. A declaration of compliance with EU State Aid regulations will be required prior any funding award to the project. If your project is awarded LGF it will be subject to a condition requiring the repayment of funding in the event that the European Commission determines that the funding constitutes unlawful State Aid.



Key Milestones (including expected project completion date)

Key Milestones	Description	Indicative Date

Project dependencies, risks and delivery constraints

Provide a description of any scheme dependencies, risks and delivery constraints which may impact on the delivery of the project or the benefits achieved through LGF investment in the project.

Risk Analysis

This should consider the risks in delivering the projects and the project benefits being delivered.

*Likelihood and impact scores:

1: Very High, 4: High, 3:Medium, 2:Low, 1:Very Low

Risk	Likelihood Score*	Impact Score*	Mitigation