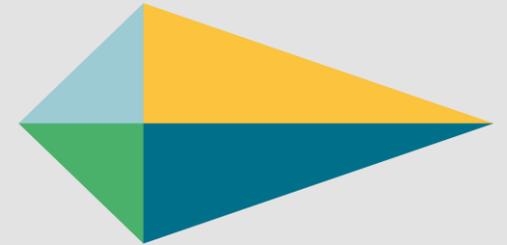


UKSPF Skills Programme Update

Community Partnership Board

Sept 2023



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East Suffolk's UKSPF Skills Update

- The primary goal of the overall £2.6bn UK Fund is **“to build pride in place and increase life chances across the UK”** and is based around three investment priorities:
 1. Communities and Place
 2. Supporting Local Business
 3. People and Skills (can only be funded during 2024/25)
- East Suffolk's UKSPF allocation is £2.75 million over 2.5 years
- East Suffolks People and Skills allocation is circa £250,000

Time-line

July 23– Held Community Partnership (CP) Board Skills Workshop

June 23– Reviewed CP Workshop review responses

June/August 23– Refined Local and County Skills programme

Sept 23– Finalise Local and County Programme

Oct 23– Procurement

Feb 24 – Awarding contracts

April 24 – Initiation of contracts

April 24 to April 25 – Contract Delivery

Feedback

Employer Engagement

Apprenticeship Support

Youth Employment

Personal Development

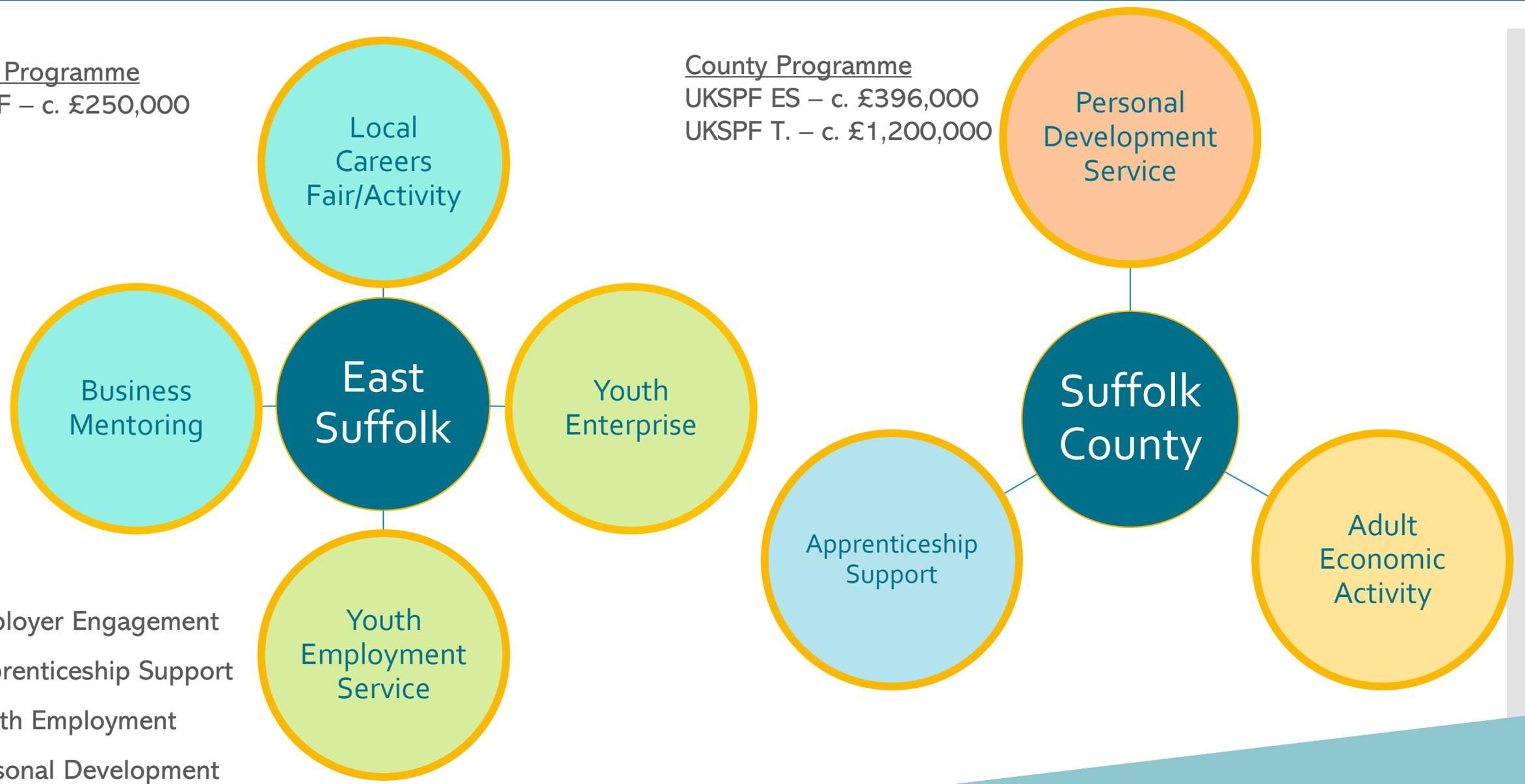
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- Sector specific skills gaps, including: health and social care, tech / IT / creative, agriculture, environmental / green, hospitality and traditional trade sectors. As well as transferrable cross sector skills.
- The need for more entry level employment opportunities and diversifying pathways to employment.
- Increased apprenticeships for university level courses.
- Supported apprenticeships for those with SEN and disabilities.
- Improved career advice within education settings.
- Improved volunteering opportunities and specialist volunteer support for those with SEN.
- Life skills education.
- Mental health support / neurodiversity / health and wellbeing support for those in employment and those seeking employment.
- Rural community support – particularly around rethinking how adults can access employment support services.
- Transport for employment and education opportunities.
- Youth employment support and the continuation of programmes such as YES and Personal Development Service.
- Pre-apprenticeship work opportunities, supported internships and intensive support for NEETs and pre-NEETs.
- Literacy support for adults.
- Intergenerational unemployment support and upskilling of the older workforce.
- Higher technical skills.
- Support for employers to understand the needs of employees and how / where to access support, such as for mental health. In addition to this, employers support to navigate recruitment support to fill sector and skills gaps.

2024-2025 UKSPF Skills and Employment Programme

Local Programme
UKSPF – c. £250,000

County Programme
UKSPF ES – c. £396,000
UKSPF T. – c. £1,200,000



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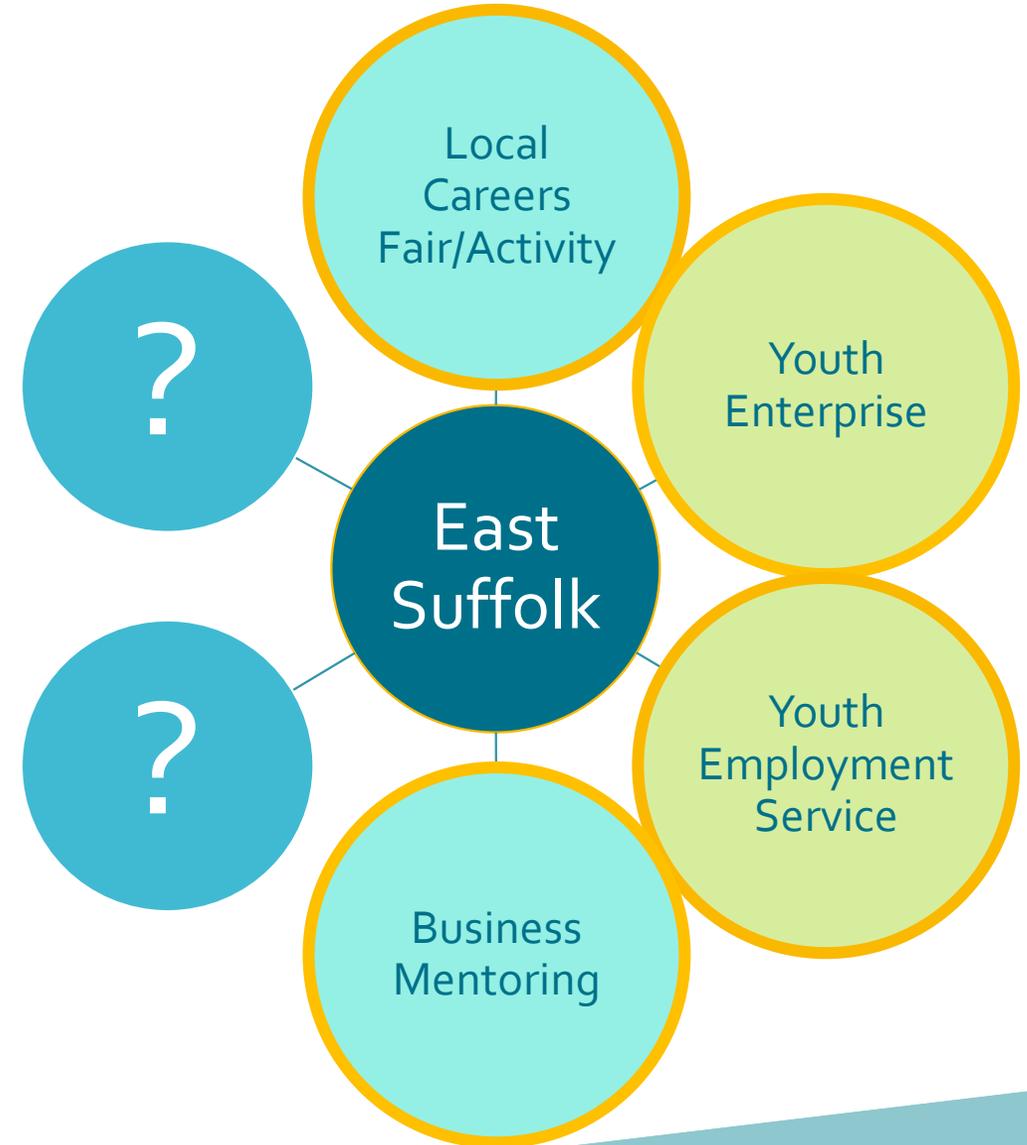
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UKSPF Capital Projects

- £470k Capital grant programme

Non-UKSPF considerations

- Co-ordination of work experience
- Work readiness
- Transportation for career activities and employment
- Sector pathway development



UKSPF Skills
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Any Questions?