Pride in Place Programme

Project details

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Project summary

The Pride in Place Programme is a government initiative designed to empower local communities to shape and improve their neighbourhoods. It provides up to £20 million per area over 10 years, supporting regeneration and community-led decision-making. In Plymouth, the two areas selected to participate in the programme are St Budeaux and Devonport, Mount Wise and Morice Town. These places have been selected using a national methodology that identified the most disadvantaged areas in the country.

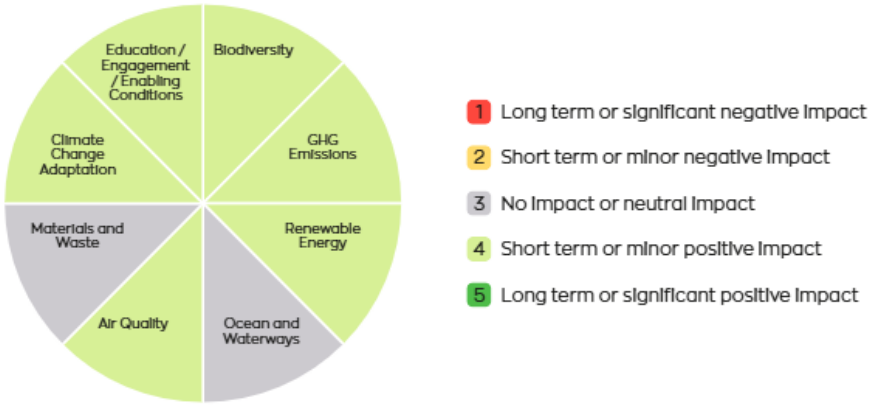
There are 3 strategic objectives of the funding:

1. Stronger communities
Tackle the root causes of social division by rebuilding relationships, restoring a collective sense of belonging, and bringing people together so they feel proud of their area and safe in their neighbourhood.

2. Thriving places
Revitalise high streets and neighbourhoods and encourage the design of public services that are tailored to local needs, accessible, responsive, and effective in tackling health and social inequalities.

3. Taking back control
Empower people to have a greater say in shaping their local area and to feel more in control of their lives.

Summary of assessment



The outputs are dependant on the Regeneration Plan which is yet to be developed. As stated, decision making power is devolved to the Neighbourhood Boards in consultation with the community. The projects stated above are purely suggestions taken from government guidance, they serve as ideas but will not necessarily form part of the Regeneration Plan.

Assessment scores

Biodiversity

Score

(4) Short term or limited positive impact

Score justification

Decision making in Pride in Place is devolved to the community, therefore Neighbourhood Boards will be deciding how and what they can deliver. The Government has provided a list of interventions that indicates ideas for spend. One of the suggested themes for delivery is "creating and improving green spaces, community gardens, watercourses and embankments in the local area, along with incorporating natural features into wider public spaces". Projects could include urban tree planting, or development of a new community garden. Once a Regeneration Plan is developed and projects are brought forwards, consideration will be given to any negative consequences on biodiversity and mitigation measures will be identified.

GHG Emissions

Score

(4) Short term or limited positive impact

Score justification

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Renewable Energy

Score

(4) Short term or limited positive impact

Score justification

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Ocean and Waterways

Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

Score justification

We don't anticipate any of the projects that fall out of the Pride in Place Programme to affect water quality or increase pollution.

Air Quality

Score

(4) Short term or limited positive impact

Score justification

Decision making in Pride in Place is devolved to the community, therefore Neighbourhood Boards will be deciding how and what they can deliver. The Government has provided a list of interventions that indicates ideas for spend. One of the suggested themes for delivery is "support for active travel enhancements in the local area" , "improving local bus services", or "improvements to local road networks". Projects therefore may impact travel routes. Once a Regeneration Plan is developed and projects are brought forwards, consideration will be given to any negative consequences such as reduced air quality and mitigation measures will be identified at the project planning stage.

Materials and Waste

Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

Score justification

Reducing waste is not in the scope of this programme, larger capital projects will be managed and due consideration will be given to resource and waste management as part of this service.

Climate Change Adaptation

Score

(4) Short term or limited positive impact

Score justification

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Education / Engagement / Enabling Conditions

Score

(4) Short term or limited positive impact

Score justification

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One of the suggested themes for delivery is "provide healthy and climate-resilient homes". Projects could include domestic water saving features, or fitting property flood resilience measures in homes at risk of flooding. Education could form an element of this.