

DECISION NOTICE OF AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF GWYNEDD COUNCIL CABINET

DATE OF DECISION 19 February 2024

DATE DECISION PUBLISHED 5 March 2024

DATE DECISION WILL COME INTO FORCE and implemented,
unless the decision is called in, in accordance with section 7.25
of the Gwynedd Council Constitution **11 March 2024**

CABINET MEMBER NAME AND TITLE

Cabinet Member: Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn
Leader of the Council

SUBJECT – Allocation of funds from the ‘Multiply’ budget of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund

DECISION

1. To agree to commit an additional £89,107 of the Multiply budget of Gwynedd’s allocation from the UK’s Shared Prosperity Fund to the *Skills and Work Potential Gwynedd* scheme by Cyngor Gwynedd.
 2. To agree to commit £152,563 of the Multiply budget of Gwynedd’s allocation from the UK’s Shared Prosperity Fund to *A Numeracy Campaign for Social Housing* by Adra (Tai) Cyf.
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REASON WHY THE DECISION IS NEEDED

Please see attached Officer Report.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL’S STANDARDS COMMITTEE


None

ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

Consultation with
Gwynedd Council Statutory Officers

The results of the consultations are reported upon in the attached report.

**DECISION NOTICE OF AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF CYNGOR GWYNEDD
CABINET OFFICER REPORT**

Name and title of the Cabinet Member:	Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn Leader of the Council
Name and title of the report author:	Siwan Lisa Evans Shared Prosperity Fund Manager: Gwynedd
Date decision taken:	19 February 2024
Signature of the Cabinet Member:	

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Recommendations for the Decision:

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Reasons why the Decision is needed:

At the Cabinet meeting on 24 January 2023 (item 6), a procedure was agreed for committing money from Gwynedd's allocation of the UK's Shared Prosperity Fund.

The Shared Prosperity Fund Panel: Gwynedd was established to allocate the money, with their recommendations to be confirmed through a Cabinet Member Decision Notice by the Leader (or the Cabinet, if so desired by the Panel).

Reason and justification behind the Decision:

Multiply is a sub-theme within the ‘People and Skills’ Investment Priority in the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. Multiply is designed to support adults to improve their numeracy skills. Multiply is the only part of the Fund that has a protected budget - **£2,942,620** has been allocated for Multiply within Gwynedd's allocation from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

£1,547,429 of the Multiply funding has already been committed to support relevant activities by three projects. See papers [The Cabinet 20 July 2023 \(Item 5\)](#) and [Decision Notice Of An Individual Member Of Cyngor Gwynedd Cabinet](#)

£1,395,191 of the Multiply fund remains from Gwynedd's allocation of the UK's Shared Prosperity Fund for funding additional eligible activities.

Two new applications were submitted proposing eligible activities to receive funding from Multiply:

- i. An application for £89,107 additional funding from the Multiply budget to the *Skills and Work Potential Gwynedd* project by Cyngor Gwynedd.
- ii. An application for £152,563 of funding from the Multiply budget to the project *A Numeracy Campaign for Social Housing* by Adra (Tai) Cyf.

The Gwynedd Shared Prosperity Fund Panel has recommended committing a total of £241,670 of the remaining Multiply funds from Gwynedd's allocation of the Shared Prosperity Fund to the projects above.

This Decision Notice reflects the Panel's recommendations.

Declarations of personal interest by any Cabinet Member consulted with and any relevant dispensations approved by the Standards Committee:

None.

Any consultations undertaken prior to making the decision:

Head of Finance:

"The timeframe for using this source of funding is limited, and since these schemes are eligible, I support the decision sought."

Monitoring Officer:

"No observations to add in relation to propriety."

Local Member(s):

Not a local matter.