

Building Better Life Chances through investment in the community sector's capacity

Case Study

Cheshire West and Chester's Shared Prosperity Investment Plan aimed to support projects which would have a long-term benefit to the area through investing in capacity building of the community sector. This included supporting organisations to learn new skills to become more financially resilient or try out new ways of working.

The Council held two fully open application calls, with weighting given to projects which would build capacity of groups serving the most vulnerable in society or which would support social cohesion.

Cheshire Community Action, Cheshire West Voluntary Action and Cheshire West Communities Together secured £141,000 to deliver capacity building training and 1-2-1 support for third sector organisations, community buildings and community activists.

The main outcome of this project is to improve build capacity and increase impact, chiefly through strengthening financial resilience of third sector organisations through targeted training and developmental support. Training has been delivered online, face-to-face and across the whole borough.

Since the project started over 430 people have attended training sessions and over 300 organisations have received support that will aid them in becoming more financially sustainable.



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