# **Frequently Asked Questions**

**What is UK Shared Prosperity Fund?**

More information on SPF can be found by visiting the Council’s [UK Shared Prosperity Fund](https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20164/economic_information/2697/uk_shared_prosperity_fund_ukspf) webpage and the [UK Shared Prosperity Fund Prospectus](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-prospectus/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-2025-26-technical-note#introduction) webpage

**What kind of projects are you looking for?**

We are looking to support projects that can make Birmingham a great place to live, work and visit. We welcome ideas and initiatives that support SPF outcomes, and we are open-minded about the types of projects that can deliver these and benefit Birmingham, its residents, businesses and visitors. We are looking to support projects that can remain sustainable after March 2026 and can grow for the social, cultural and/or commercial benefit of Birmingham.

**Can I bid for an existing project?**

Yes, you can bid for an existing project, however, the funding must support activity that bridges a gap or moves an opportunity for improved local provision forward and meets UKSPF outputs and outcomes.

**Is match funding required?**

Match funding is not required, but SPF funding can act as match funding for external funding, or the application form allows space to explain if any external match funding has been secured for the UKSPF funding.

**What are the outputs and outcomes?**

More information on outputs and outcomes of UKSPF can be found in the UKSPF Indicators 2025 – 2026 file provided on the Outputs & Outcomes page of the application form (and also within the Related section at the bottom of the Overview page).

**Using AI to write content?**

We do not discourage the use of artificial intelligence (AI) in funding applications. However, it is important that your submission reflects your organisation’s authentic voice and clearly communicates your intentions, ensuring that any AI-generated content is meaningfully adapted to your context.