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Local Policy Innovation Partnerships (Phase 1)

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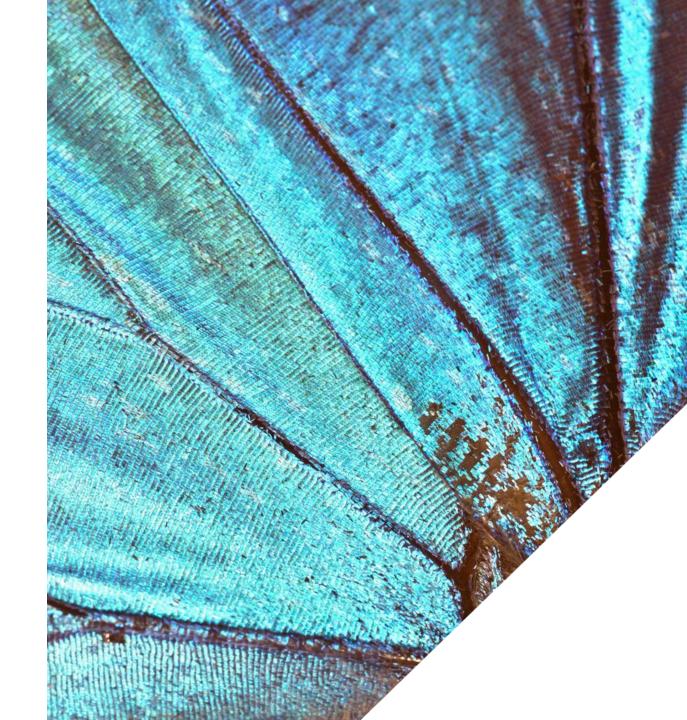


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Agenda

Brief introductions
Strategic Policy Context
LPIPs in focus
Q&A





Introductions

Today's speakers

- Charlotte Lester- Head of Public Policy Research and Place-based Strategy (Chair)
- James Canton ESRC, Deputy Director, Public Policy and Engagement
- Matthew McCallum AHRC, Associate Director of Programmes
- **Rebecca Madgin** AHRC, Place Director
- **David Legg** Innovate UK, Regional Manager

Taking queries in the chat

- Yasmin and Jack: Call leads
- Emma and Saya: Grants Delivery







Strategic Context



The Programme

Programme Overview

Places are the foundation stone of individual and collective life.

- Addressing regional disparities is critical to meeting the economic, social and environmental challenges facing communities.
- UKRI is working with places through its 'worldclass places' objectives and priorities within its new five-year strategy.
- LPIPs together with Strategic Coordination Hubs, with a combined programme value of up to £20m, will form a large part of UKRI's broad efforts to meet these objectives.





Programme Outcomes

- A 'what works here' approach to levelling up and local priority policy areas,
- Enhanced local science advice providing a single front door for local science advice in partnership areas
- Supporting local action through contributing to local implementation, testing and evaluation
- Improving national understanding of local challenges
- Strengthen and diversify partnerships





Programme vision and objectives

The programme will fund a network of interdisciplinary, cross-sectoral Local Policy Innovation Partnerships (LPIPs) to address social, community, economic and environmental priorities that contribute towards inclusive sustainable economic growth.

A **Strategic Coordination Hub (SCH)** will also convene across the research and policy ecosystem to help connect LPIPs to the research, expertise and evidence needed to inform effective responses to local priorities.

The high-level spending objectives for this programme will be:

Connecting and catalysing

Providing local insight and understanding

Solutions focused



LPIPs and SCH – the model

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LPIPs in focus

LPIPs: Phase 1 and Phase 2

- This year, ESRC-commissioned research conducted by Metro Dynamics revealed in its 'Prosperous Places' report an opportunity to 'increase our engagement with local partnerships' and 'help to create the right linkages and between potential partners'. We listened.
- The purpose of **Phase 1** is therefore to:
 - provide resource and support capacity across stakeholders to undertake partnership development and landscape evidence analysis required to design the Phase 2 work programme.
- While the purpose of **Phase 2** is to:
 - select the strongest partnerships with potential to deliver insights and solutions tailored to local policy agendas.



LPIPs Phase 1: activities

- building, strengthening or diversifying partnerships
- dialogue and co-creation with communities to further understand needs and surface opportunities for collaboration
- design and deliver workshops
- mapping of relevant local and national admin data
- landscape and evidence analysis to build the evidence base for the Phase 2 application
- establishing an appropriate model for Phase 2



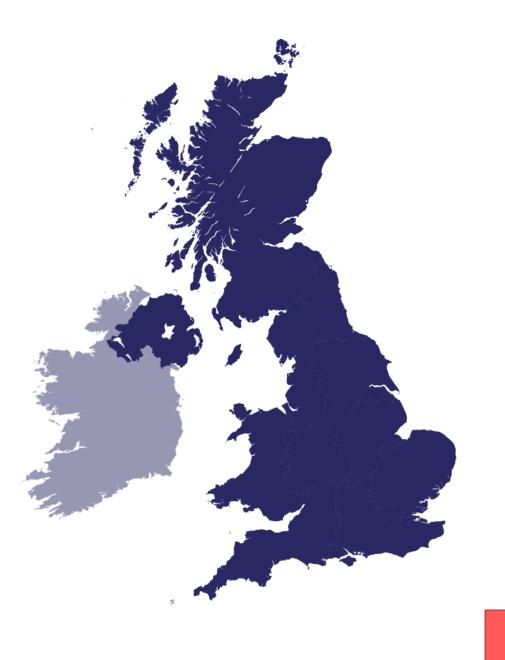
Geographical coverage

At Phase 1, you must provide an **indication of the geographical area** that the partnership will cover and its relevance to the challenges referenced in the proposal.

Each LPIP will indicate an **applicant-defined geographical area** that aligns with the challenges identified.

The choice of geography will be **underpinned by relationships and partnerships** that also support the choice of priority areas of focus.

Only at Phase 2 must you finalise your approach to geography and fully reflect the geographic coverage requirements.





Priority areas: overview

Inclusive Sustainable Growth

Economy

- Inclusive and sustainable local economic performance
- Innovation
- Skills

Community

- Communities in their places
- Felt experiences and pride in place
- Cultural recovery

Environment

Living and working sustainably in a greener economy

Open priority (Optional)



Theme: Economy

Local economic performance needs:

- Data and analysis for policies and expenditure
- New metrics to understand economic outcomes
- Demonstration of what works
- Evaluation to support innovative interventions

Skills needs:

- Alignment of skills, employers and educators
- Evidence to support skills acquisition, supply and demand challenges
- Informed approaches to resource targeting





Economy: innovation in focus

Innovation needs:

- Industry partners, such as businesses, social enterprises, universities, public bodies, and charitable organisations to play a role
- All partners to address sectoral challenges, often bound together through geography and place-based relationships

'We must make it easier for businesses to find the best support, whether local or national, from a perspective of broad economic geographies rather than narrow local authority boundaries.'

Innovate UK Plan for Action



Theme: Community

Communities in their places need:

- Cohesion to tackle place-based challenges
- Alignment of goals, morals and values
- Equal partnerships and broad expertise

Felt experiences need:

- Understanding of how people interact with place
- Research into pride of place
- Connections with decision-making preferences

Cultural recovery needs:

- Understanding of cultural sector contribution
- Exploration of how and why people need culture
- Evidence of culture as producer and consumer



We commit to building partnerships and networks to uncover inclusive, community driven responses to health, economic, and social challenges.'

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AHRC, Strategic Delivery Plan (2022-2025)

Theme: Environment

Living and working sustainably in a greener economy needs:

- Evidence to support partners at all levels
- Place-based pathways to Net Zero
- Co-produced guidance for policy-makers
- Understanding of place-based climate challenges
- Awareness of the restrictions to investment
- Evaluation to facilitate transition to highimpact, low-carbon behaviours.

'AHRC builds equitable partnerships across disciplines, nationally and internationally, and within and beyond research and innovation, to ensure that the best ideas are generated with the people and organisations who can offer the best solutions.'

> AHRC, Strategic Delivery Plan (2022-2025)



Timeline (Phase 1)

- Call Opening 6 October 2022 (15:00)
- Compulsory intention to submit closing date 17 November 2022 (16:00)
- Full proposal closing date 12 January 2023 (16:00)
- Panel review From 13 March 2023
- Grants awarded End of March 2023
- Expected project start date Before 18 April 2023



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Questions?



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