



Local Growth Fund (LGF)

East Sussex was initially allocated £25.9m in 2017/18; of this it is expected that £22.9m will have been spent on projects by the end of the financial year. Overall in East Sussex the Local Growth Fund programme is approx. £90m and is accompanied with Growing Places Fund monies of £20m.

Roads and transport infrastructure

- **North Bexhill Access Road:** throughout 2017/18 significant progress has been made in the construction of the road; the groundworks are now substantively complete and it is anticipated that the road will be open in the summer of 2018.
- **Eastbourne Walking & Cycling:** construction has commenced on Phase 3 of the Horsey Way walking and cycling route; moving into the delivery phase of this project presented the opportunity to accelerate spend with an additional £750k spent within the financial year.
- **Eastbourne Town Centre:** following the allocation of an additional £2m, the contractor for the works at Terminus Road has now been appointed and will begin mobilisation in Mar 2018; this work is still on track to complete in line with works on the new Beacon (previously Arndale) Centre.

Business Parks

- **Swallow Business Park:** saw the completion of the access road in 2016/17 and now has its first permanent tenant – VacGen; Westcott Leach has also begun construction of the first phase of smaller starter-units at the back of the site and is negotiating with potential tenants.
- **Newhaven Eastside South:** now completed Phase 1 of construction and is fully let upon opening; Phase 2 will begin construction in Apr 2018.
- **East Sussex Strategic Growth Package:** moved into the delivery phase during 2017; Sea Change Sussex has now completed road extensions at both *Bexhill Enterprise Park* and *Sovereign Harbour Innovation Park*, enabling the groundworks for High Weald House to be undertaken and a main contractor, ASH Construction, to be appointed.

Other Schemes

- **Devonshire Park:** proceeding on programme with the Welcome Building expected to be complete by the end of 2018; this scheme has been able to accelerate delivery in 2017/18 to ensure that the wider LGF programme maximises spend.
- **Newhaven Flood Alleviation Scheme:** now drawn down all of the allocated funds and has completed all of the planned works on the western embankment; eastern embankment works have started and the Environment Agency is exploring design options with regards to works at the port and the rail network.
- **Charleston Centenary Project:** had applied to SELEP for LGF Round 3; secured £400k of LGF through the Coast to Capital LEP.

Growing Place Fund (GPF)

- **Round 1:** additional tenancies that have been taken up throughout 2017/18 have meant that *Pacific House* at Sovereign Harbour is now 80% full, and following the signing of an agreement with MHCLG, *Havelock House* at Priory Quarter Hastings is fully let. Three of the four Round 1 schemes are due to make 2017/18 repayments in line with expectations.
- **Round 2:** SELEP launched a call for bids in the summer of 2017 to allocate £9.3m of recycled funds. East Sussex had two schemes accepted for loan funding, with the **Eastbourne Fishermen's Quay** being awarded £1.15m, whilst **Charleston Trust** secured £120k towards the completion of their Centenary Project.

Project Category	Scheme Name	Start Date	End Date	LGF Spend Profile							Progress Update	
				2015/16 Actual	2016/17 Actual	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Post 2021		Total
A21/A259 Hastings/Bexhill Growth Corridor												
LGF Transport	Queensway Gateway Road	2015/16	2017/18	1.419	1.121	5	2.46				10	1. QGR provides a new road between Queensway and A21 in north Hastings; 2. Planning approved Dec 2015 - two separate judicial review challenges were dismissed; 3. Site clearance completed Mar 2016; 4. Site earth remediation work completed Apr 2017; 5. Works have now begun on construction of the embankment with this phase of work expected to be complete Apr 2018; 6. Poor winter conditions have led to further delays in construction but it's anticipated that the last time can be made up through the summer programming - estimated completion Dec 2018; 7. Additional £4m of LGF was reallocated along with additional £2m of SCS funding.
LGF Transport	North Bexhill Access Road	2015/16	2016/17	6.41	4.6	5.59	2				18.6	1. NBAR will run from a roundabout on the BHLR to the A269 north of Sidley; 2. Business case approved Nov 2015 and planning permission granted by Rother DC Feb 2016; 3. Land acquisition for all phases and adjacent commercial land is complete; 4. Phase 1 of the development now complete (with the exception of the crossing over the Combe Haven which was granted planning permission in Aug 2017); 5. Land clearance, archaeology & ecological works are complete; 6. Earthworks are underway for the remaining phases of the construction; 7. Online works to begin in Mar 2018 at Ninfield Road; 8. Additional £2m funding allocated in Feb 2018; 9. Estimated completion Aug 2018.
LGF Transport	Hastings & Bexhill Movement & Access Package	2015/16	2020/21			0.384	1.973	3.195	3.448		9	1. Package of junction capacity improvements identified in Local Plan Infrastructure Delivery Plans as required to support housing and employment being looked at on a corridor-by-corridor basis; 2. The business case was approved by the Accountability Board in Feb 2018 with budget reduced by £3m.
LGF Infrastructure	East Sussex Strategic Growth Package	2016/17	2020/21			3.55	4.65				8.2	1. A planning application has been submitted to Rother DC for phase 1 of this package; 2. Funding was approved by the SELEP Accountability Board in Jan 2017; 3. Work on the road extension at the Bexhill Enterprise Park is now complete; 4. Designs for the large unit at Bexhill are being finalised; 5. ASH Construction appointed for the construction of High Weald House which begins in Mar 2018.
TOTAL											45.8	
A22/A27 Eastbourne/South Wealden Growth Corridor												
LGF Transport	Hailsham/Polegate/Eastbourne Movement & Access corridor	2015/16	2016/17			0.242	0.6	1.258			2.1	1. Sustainable Transport Corridor between Hailsham, Polegate and Eastbourne, part of strategic transport improvements identified to support planned housing and employment growth within the current Wealden and Eastbourne Local Plans; 2. Package of measures includes improvements for buses to/from Hailsham accessing Polegate Station, the DGH/Sussex Downs College and Eastbourne Town Centre, as well as walking and cycling improvements along the corridor for more local journeys; 3. Proposals have been developed and were consulted on during autumn 2017; 4. The business case was approved for funding at the Feb 2017 Accountability Board.
LGF Transport	Eastbourne & South Wealden LSTF walking & cycling package	2015/16	2020/21	0.6	0.37	1.63	0.735	1.765	1.5		6.6	1. Package of walking & cycling schemes identified in Eastbourne & Wealden Cycle Strategies to support housing & employment growth in these areas; 2. Business case for extension of first tranche of schemes (£2.6m) approved by SELEP Accountability Board Nov 2015; 3. Smaller elements delivered in early years of the programme due to Japanese Knotweed on the route for the Horsey Sewer Route; 4. Construction of Horsey Way bike path extension now underway - accelerated spend on this scheme was approved at the Nov 2017 Accountability Board.
LGF Transport	Eastbourne town centre LSTF access & improvement package	2015/16	2020/21		0.55	0.505	3.945	1	2		8	1. Business case has been developed for £3m of funding for Terminus Road improvements associated with the extension to the Arndale Centre; 2. Business case approved by SELEP Accountability Board Apr 2016; 3. The project has experienced delays due to an extended consultation process regarding the placement and access to bus stops; 4. Additional £2m LGF has been allocated to ensure the completion of this phase; 5. Works are now programmed to start Mar 2018.
LGF Transport	A22/A27 Junction improvements	2016/17	2017/18						1		1	1. Improvements to the A22/A27 north of Polegate along with the Sustainable Transport Corridor required to support housing & employment growth in the Eastbourne & South Wealden area; 2. Proposals for the A27/A2270 signalised junction have been developed as part of HE's package of smaller scale proposals for the A27; 3. The scope for other improvements (A27/A22 Golden Jubilee Way, A22/Ditton Rd) will need to be reviewed to take account of additional housing/employment coming forward around Hailsham/Polegate as part of Wealden's Local Plan review and again partly considered within the A27 smaller scale proposals; 4. Any potential improvements to Cophall roundabout need to take into account wider lobbying across the board for additional funding for a more comprehensive A27 solution, which has resulted in £3m of the total £75m now being allocated to work on the business case and options for the A27; 5. In light of the £72m allocated from HE under the A27 smaller scale improvements programme, this provides clear justification and rationale for freeing up the majority of this funding for consideration by TES on similar transport related schemes within the overall East Sussex LGF programme. There will be a need to retain £1m of the £4m to address complementary enhancements to Cophall & Stone Cross that will support the wider HE funded packages, and as a result £3m LGF has been approved by the Accountability Board to be reallocated towards the NBAR and QGR projects.
LGF Infrastructure	Swallow Business Park	2015/16	2018/19	0.505	0.895						1.4	1. Planning permission granted for northern & southern parts of site; 2. Business case approved by SELEP Accountability Board Feb 2016; 3. Ground works continue to be progressed, onsite sewerage treatment is being installed and the road through to the far end of the site has been completed; 4. The site's first tenant (VACGEN) has taken possession of the building and are installing their production facilities; 5. The developer is now in discussion with a number of potential tenants looking to take possession of plots at the back of the site; 6. Plans for the starter units and a construction schedule have now been drawn up, and groundworks for these have begun.
LGF Infrastructure	Strategic Site Investment Package	2015/16	2021/22	0.53	1.17						1.7	1. Review of projected costs originally allocated to site infrastructure at Sovereign Harbour resulted in a broadening of the scope to also include North Queensway & North Bexhill Business Parks; 2. Revised scope has been approved by Government; 3. Investment will enable site infrastructure to be delivered across the three sites; 4. Full business case for revised scheme scope approved by SELEP Accountability Board Feb 2016; 5. Works related to this scheme have now been completed at all sites.
LGF Infrastructure	Devonshire Park Quarter Redevelopment	2017/18	2019/20			5					5	1. This scheme was approved by the SELEP Accountability Board Mar 2017 and is now into the construction phase using leverage funding provided by Eastbourne BC; 2. Construction of the Welcome Building has progressed well and is on course for completion Dec 2018; 3. Accelerated spend for this scheme was approved at the Nov 2017 Accountability Board and it will now be allocated £5m in 2017/18.
TOTAL											25.8	

Newhaven Maritime and Clean Tech Growth Corridor											
LGF Infrastructure (C2C funded)	Newhaven Port Access Road	2016/17	2018/19			10				10	1. Identified by DfT as one of their 'portfolio' schemes and therefore they will retain overall decision making responsibilities for approving the release of LGF monies; 2. £13m also allocated in ESCC's capital programme towards scheme; 3. First phase has been completed as part of the Eastside development; 4. Continuing development work for the construction of phase 2 across the Newhaven-Seaford railway & Mill Creek to the harbour mouth; 5. Preparation of the business case is underway - DfT have recognised that the economic rather than the transport case should be the focus for its assessment; 6. Procurement of a contractor will commence shortly and following agreement of the contract price a final version business case has been submitted to DfT and is currently being evaluated; 7. Subject to approval of the business case, construction will start during 2017/18 with completion in late 2018/early 2019.
LGF Infrastructure (SE LEP & C2C funded)	Newhaven Flood Alleviation Scheme	2016/17	2017/18	0.3	0.8	0.4				1.5	1. Environment Agency led scheme to reduce flood risk in Newhaven and recognise the wider benefits this will bring in encouraging regeneration in the town; 2. £10m from EA and £1.5m from C2C as well as SELEP funding; 3. Contracts signed Mar 2016; 4. The EA has appointed a main contractor (Jackson Hyder) to produce detailed designs and construct the flood defences; 5. Construction started Nov 2016 and is scheduled to be completed by autumn 2019; 6. Construction constraints in the port area have required the EA to review the final design proposals and they are consulting with ESCC on flood risk.
TOTAL										11.5	
Pan LEP											
LGF Pan-LEP	Housing Regeneration Project (Hastings)	2016/17	2017/18			0.667				0.667	1. A provisional offer of £2m LGF (from a £10m ask) was made as part of the Growth Deal expansion in Jan 2015; 2. The pan-LEP project includes the areas of Hastings, Thanet & Tendring so the East Sussex share of the £2m is approx £666k; 3. Bid documents were required to be recast to reflect the provisional award of £2m and to reflect the New Housing Bill and budget changes announced by the Chancellor in Dec 2015; 4. The business case was approved at the Feb 2017 Accountability Board; 5. In East Sussex the funding is focusing on the Hastings area where Hastings BC has partnered with Amicus Horizon in a major intervention programme 'CoastalSpace' involving the acquisition & refurbishment of properties in St. Leonards; 6. A new property has been selected following the destruction of the original property identified in the business case - this was approved at the Sep 2017 Accountability Board; 7. A grant agreement between ESCC and HBC was signed in Nov 2017.
Skills Capital and Equipment Funds											
Sussex Downs College	Specialist Equipment for STEM Centre	2016/17	2017/18			0.075				0.075	1. Specialist industry relevant equipment supporting a new STEM Centre, enabling the delivery of 35 new apprentices per annum in Laboratory Technician, Science Manufacturing Technician, Laboratory Scientist and Science Industry Maintenance Technician qualifications from 2017/18; 2. Sussex Downs College has now made the final claims for this scheme.
Sussex Downs College	Refurbished Science Facilities	2016/17	2017/18			0.16				0.16	1. Sussex Downs College was awarded £159,400 towards total project costs of £478,320 (33%) in Round 1 for refurbishing the reception/hub of the new STEM Centre & an alteration to the existing Science Laboratory at their Lewes Campus; 2. Work has been completed so delivery can commence; 3. Due to negotiations with builders & subcontractors, overall costs have reduced meaning SELEP's 33% contribution has also reduced to £80k, resulting in a surplus of £79,440; 4. The SELEP Accountability Board agreed in Jan 2017 that SDC could utilise the underspend for their broader project, enhancing their first floor lab, subject to full application and approval by the Board; 5. An application for £39,515 was approved by the Accountability Board in May 2017 - the remaining unused funds will be returned to the LGF programme for later allocation.
Plumpton College	Science & Engineering for Tree Management	2016/17	2017/18			0.14				0.14	1. This Scheme is complete and has been fully claimed; 2. An update of outputs will be provided to a future TES meeting.
Plumpton College	Growing Apprenticeship & Skills Training in Engineering	2016/17	2017/18			0.088				0.088	1. This Scheme is complete and has been fully claimed; 2. An update of outputs will be provided to a future TES meeting.
Growing Places Fund - loan funding											
GPF	Eastbourne Fishermen's Quay	2017/18	2018/19			0.5	0.65			1.15	1. Project approved at Accountability Board Dec 2017 for £1.15m; 2. Negotiations ongoing with Carillion over land purchase and loan agreements being prepared to be issued.
GPF	Charleston Centenary	2017/18	2018/19			0.12				0.12	1. Project approved at Accountability Board Feb 2018 for £120k; 2. Loan agreements being prepared to be issued.
Other: Coast to Capital LEP Funded Schemes											
C2C LGF	Newhaven Eastside South	2016/17	2020/21			0.4	1.2			1.6	1. Work on Eastside South has progressed well with all piling now completed; 2. Phase 1 of the scheme (2,360m ²) is due for completion and it's expected that Phase 2 will commence in early 2018. 3. This scheme is now the subject of a SELEP GPF bid to accelerate delivery of the entire site.
C2C LGF	Railway Quay	2016/17	2020/21			1.5				1.5	1. The purchase of Railway Quay was completed by Lewes DC in Apr 2017 utilising the LGF award; 2. Lewes DC has commissioned Cushman & Wakefield to undertake a Market Demand Study looking at potential development options for the site - C&W provided a draft report at the end of Jun 2017; 3. Lewes DC is now considering which of the development plan options to take forward (a variation of one seems the most viable).
C2C LGF	Springman House	2016/17	2019/20			2				2	1. The purchase of Springman House by Lewes DC was completed in Mar 2017 utilising the LGF award; 2. A brief is being drafted to procure a design team (architect only as the project management side of Springman House will be procured through the new Lewes/Eastbourne JV framework); 3. Demolition work is expected to start on site in the early part of 2018, with the new fire station being fully occupied by Mar 2020.
C2C LGF	Charleston Centenary	2017/18	2018/19			400				400	The grant will support the various parts of the centenary project including the facilities for the barn renovation, specialist catering and exhibition equipment and landscaping of the grounds to lead towards attracting over 50,000 visitors per year.