

Decision Title:

Early Events Programme 2025/26

Is this decision Key or Non-key?

Non-Key

If the decision is Key, has the decision been published on the Forward Plan?

Not applicable

Is this decision subject to Call-in?

No

Decision:**Option 1: Non-confidential decision:**

Approve the award of £2.621m (being £2m Investment Fund and £621k UKSPF Communities and Place funding) to contribute towards the costs of delivering an Early Events Programme for FY2025/26, in accordance with the delegated authority agreed by Cabinet on 26th November 2024.

Delegation:

Decision No. C49/11/24 of the Cabinet meeting of 26 November 2024, Cabinet resolved to: To allocate £2m to support early priority regional events in advance of the long-term events strategy and to delegate responsibility to the Chief Executive to make investment decisions in relation to the funding allocated, in line with intent and objectives set out in the report, and in accordance with the North East CA Single Assurance Framework.

Consultation:

Cabinet Member:	Yes
Monitoring Officer:	Yes
Director of Finance and Investment:	Yes

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Date of signing 16.04.2025