

Hartlepool Feedback**Town Investment Plan**

TIP Section	Feedback
Level of Need	<p>This section demonstrates a strong evidence of need, fully aligned to the objectives of the fund and proposed interventions, clear data-driven understanding of the issues and challenges that the town faces across socio-economic indicators.</p> <p>Strong articulation of need covering economic deprivation, town centre challenges, business needs, skills, social issues, and challenges arising from Covid-19. Significant supporting evidence provided coupled with consideration of interplay between local and macroeconomic issues.</p>
Scale of Opportunities	<p>This section includes strong evidence to suggest that the town and possibly the wider region will benefit from proposed interventions.</p> <p>Closing the jobs gap is a central aim of the plan, and the interventions will support this by improving skills, building the hotel and creating new flexible workspace. While full quantification has not been presented at this stage, a lot of analysis has gone into what existing projects and the TIP interventions will achieve.</p>
Strength and Realism of Vision	<p>The Town Investment Plan has a compelling vision for the future backed by strong evidence, fully realising the fund's objectives through sustainable outcomes, and addressing the needs of the town.</p> <p>The vision is broad enough to be achievable with some distinction that makes it relevant to Hartlepool. Above all, the vision is appropriate for this place – emphasising the need and opportunity to develop the town as a visitor destination, to develop the skills of its residents, to be globally relevant and to improve its productivity, and to be more connected and to provide a compelling offer as a place to live and work.</p>
Coherence of TIP	<p>This was well demonstrated through a coherent set of proposals fitting into a broader narrative for the town, clearly focused on need/opportunity, and backed by comprehensive logic models.</p> <p>Objectives follow logically from the vision and focus on the articulated challenges and stay true to the town's future ambitions. How the interventions aim to address this is clearly established through the theory of change.</p>
Capacity and alignment of proposed projects with existing interventions	<p>There was evidence of strong alignment with other funding sources and the private sector, with maximum potential co-funding identified for proposals.</p> <p>The vision is aligned with the existing Economic Growth Strategy 2019 (the borough-wide strategic economic plan); Hartlepool Local Plan (for spatial growth - addresses housing and employment); Hartlepool Council Plan (Council's overall plan of action across the economy and community).</p>

	<p>The TIP builds on existing investments, in particular it notes three recent complementary investments around the central area.</p>
<p>Strength of collaboration with local communities and civil society</p>	<p>There was strong evidence that all key stakeholders have been thoroughly consulted, with a clear indication of support from all groups and feedback considered throughout the TIP and in project prioritisation.</p> <p>Overall, there is clear engagement to inform the TIP and planned engagement has been well developed. A depth and breadth of feedback has been collected, before drawing out the key themes to feed into the TIP. This is then complemented with a clear roadmap of future activities and an appreciation of the risks that may hinder this, with solutions proposed to counter.</p>
<p>Strength of collaboration with private sector</p>	<p>There was strong evidence that all key stakeholders have been thoroughly consulted, with a clear indication of support from all groups and feedback considered throughout the TIP and in project prioritisation.</p>
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Project Specific Feedback**Reimagining 'Middleton Grange' Shopping Centre: Phase 1 workspace and public realm**

Scoring Criteria	Feedback
Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project is clearly aligned with the intervention framework. There is clear demonstration of evidence base for project, its additionality and fit with broader vision/strategy.
Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overall a good delivery plan in line with most criteria, that gives some confidence the project can be delivered, but some aspects need greater detail or adjustments. Detailed account of the milestones and interdependencies but there is little discussion of the primary risks and potential mitigation.
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A reasonable return of investment is projected, and this is based on a plausible theory of change. Outputs are quantified, and land value uplift, perceptions and number of start-ups are provided as outcomes but are unquantified. It was felt that a wider range of outcomes could have been provided for the scale of the project, however stage of development is acknowledged.

Wesley Chapel

Scoring Criteria	Feedback
Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project is clearly aligned with the intervention framework. There is clear demonstration of evidence base for project, its additionality and fit with broader vision/ strategy. There is strong community support
Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Significant positive impact expected for the project, set out in clear and specific indicators, backed by a credible theory of change. The delivery plan and milestones are detailed and follow a clear logic.
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A reasonable return of investment is projected, and this is based on a plausible theory of change. Quantified appropriate outputs are provided but there could have been further development of outcomes relating to tourism and jobs.

Waterfront Connections

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Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant positive impact expected for the project, set out in clear and specific indicators, backed by a credible theory of change. • A detailed and sensible delivery plan and financial profile are provided.
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant positive impact expected for the project, set out in clear and specific indicators, backed by a credible theory of change.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A reasonable return of investment is projected, and this is based on a plausible theory of change. • While clear outputs are listed, the only outcomes listed are perceptions. Further, whilst brief references to active movement and land value uplift are mentioned in the project description there are not captured in the stated outcomes.

Health and Care Academy

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Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall a good delivery plan in line with most criteria, that gives some confidence the project can be delivered, but some aspects need greater detail or adjustments. • Risk is not effectively addressed. Although this is in part It due to the relative simplicity of the proposal and the stage of development, it would have been useful to see some articulation of indicative risks.
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant positive impact expected for the project, set out in clear and specific indicators, backed by a credible theory of change.

Civil Engineering Institute

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Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall a good delivery plan in line with most criteria, that gives some confidence the project can be delivered, but some aspects need greater detail or adjustments. • No explicit articulation of risks, which would have been beneficial however there is good commentary on the enablers that will realise the project.
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant positive impact expected for the project, set out in clear and specific indicators, backed by a credible theory of change. • Clear outputs and outcomes which are appropriate to the level of ask.