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Chapter 1

Background

1.1 Some of the most difficult social, environmental and economic challenges, such as reducing crime or achieving net zero, sit across the areas of responsibility of multiple public sector organisations. The government wants to ensure the public sector is set up to deliver better outcomes where these rely on more than one part of the public sector.

1.2 The Shared Outcomes Fund was originally set up in 2019 to incentivise departments to work collaboratively across challenging policy areas, testing innovative approaches to strengthen joint working, improve outcomes and deliver better value for citizens. Summaries for pilots funded during the first and second round of the Shared Outcomes Fund can be found [here](#) and [here](#).

1.3 Spending Review 2021 announced £200 million to continue funding the Shared Outcomes Fund until the end of the current Spending Review period, to allow the government to keep supporting pilot projects and to scale up those where the evaluation shows they work. Up to £100 million was earmarked for a third round of the Shared Outcomes Fund for projects to be run between 2023-24 and 2024-25. The pilots funded by this third round are set out below: for each project, a short summary is provided, along with a list of departments and partners involved.

Chapter 2

Project Summaries

National Biosurveillance Network Pilot

The National Biosurveillance Network (NBN) pilot will bring together plant, animal, human and environmental surveillance across Government to improve our ability to quickly characterise, assess and respond to new and emerging diseases and other biological threats.

- UK Health Security Agency
- Department of Health and Social Care
- Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- Ministry of Defence
- Defence, Science and Technology Laboratories
- Food Standards Agency
- Animal and Plant Health Agency
- Centre for Environment, Fisheries, and Aquaculture
- Veterinary Medicines Directorate

Funding: £19.4 million

Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools

This project will test an innovative delivery model to improve access to specialist support in mainstream primary schools, upskilling those settings to meet a range of neurodiverse needs. It will do this by deploying specialist clinical and education functions to shape whole-school provision, build parental confidence and upskill school staff in meeting the needs of neurodiverse pupils, leaving a sustainable impact after the funded period.

- Department for Education
- Department of Health and Social Care
- NHS England

Funding: £13 million

Reducing Family Court Delays

Three pilots will be launched to explore ways of reducing delays in Family Courts. One pilot will work directly with selected local authorities to implement tailored solutions and interventions to reduce delays in care proceedings. Another pilot will trial a pre-CMH (case management hearing) meeting between the Cafcass Guardian and the local authority social worker to enable a smoother process through court, to reduce the number of expert assessments requested, the number of hearing days in a case and the overall length of proceedings. A third pilot aims to introduce a team of medical experts to provide a Suspected Inflicted Injury Service, a formalised pathway by a multi-disciplinary expert team to create greater confidence in assessments presented to court and develop a wider network of experts.

- Department for Education
- Department of Health and Social Care
- Ministry of Justice
- NHS England
- Cafcass

Funding: £10 million

Healthy Homes Project

This pilot will work with selected local authorities to test measures to improve enforcement on damp and mould in private rented sector housing, while boosting the capability and capacity of enforcement teams in the greatest areas of housing and health need. This will provide a valuable source of data on the wider societal impacts of effective damp and mould enforcement, as well as evidence for councils on which measures can drive the greatest improvements.

- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
- Department of Health and Social Care
- Department for Work and Pensions
- Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Funding: £10 million

Demonstrating the impact of CVD health checks on the labour market and the success of interventions in employer settings

This programme aims to deliver 150,000 workplace health checks to spot the early signs of heart disease and provide people with the information they need to reduce their risk of having a heart attack, stroke or developing diabetes. It will encourage employers to support people to stay well in work, by gathering and sharing learning on delivering health checks in the workplace. This pilot will gather evidence of the impact of workplace health checks on the workforce.

- Department of Health and Social Care
- Department for Work and Pensions
- NHS England
- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

Funding: £10 million

Population Movement Data - Growth, Innovation and Access

This pilot will explore how population movement data can drive innovation across the economy by giving public sector, private sector and academic partners the opportunity to work together and test what's possible in a secure environment. It will deepen our understanding of the market, explore the best models for public sector access, the regulatory regime and acceptable use, as well as testing pioneering use cases for the public sector.

- Geospatial Commission
- Department for Science, Innovation and Technology
- Office for National Statistics
- Department for Transport
- Home Office
- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
- UK Health Security Agency
- Cabinet Office (National Situation Centre)

Funding: £8.5 million

Rural Connectivity Accelerator

The Rural Connectivity Accelerator will deliver a set of pilot projects that enhance our understanding of the connectivity needs of businesses in rural and 'very hard to reach' areas of the UK, and explore the best ways to address barriers to deployment and adoption. The pilots will also examine the potential of emerging connectivity solutions, including combining broadband satellite and wireless networks.

- Department for Science, Innovation and Technology
- Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport

Funding: £7.3 million

Targeted fund for Early Support Hubs for Children and Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing

This pilot will explore innovative models of mental health and wellbeing support for young people aged 11-25. It will fund and evaluate 10 existing early support hubs that provide support to young people aged 11-25, and deliver wider benefits such as improving their engagement with education, employment and training.

- Department of Health and Social Care
- Department for Work and Pensions
- Department for Education
- Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport
- NHS England

Funding: £4.9 million

Enrichment Partnerships Pilot

This pilot will test whether greater coordination locally can enhance school enrichment offers, remove barriers to participation, create efficiencies and unlock existing funding and provision in c.200 secondary schools in Education Investment Areas. The pilot will identify and fund a small number of staff in local organisations to provide bespoke support to secondary schools in their respective local areas. DCMS and DfE will be working in partnership with the National Citizen Service Trust and The Duke of Edinburgh Award to deliver this pilot, and we will be working with the National Foundation for Educational Research on the evaluation of the pilot.

- Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport
- Department for Education

Funding: £3.4 million

Coastal health, livelihoods and environment: a data and analytical framework for long-term resilience, sustainability, and growth

This pilot will provide better awareness of the baseline data required to understand and monitor health status of marine ecosystems and the communities they comprise around the UK. It will also start to establish a cross-government framework for responding to emergency events in a collaborative way. This framework will facilitate timely, accurate, robust, balanced data and analysis interpretation to support action to limit and mitigate impacts to animals, humans, and the environment.

- Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science
- Cabinet Office
- UK Health Security Agency
- UK Hydrographic Office
- Association of Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authorities
- Natural History Museum

Funding: £3.2 million

Refugee Integration Outcomes (RIO)

This project will create an anonymised dataset of refugee integration outcomes, based on linking Home Office refugee data to census and cross-government administrative data. The project aims to build a better understanding of the longer-term integration outcomes for different refugee groups to inform policy-making and evaluate government programmes.

- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
- Office for National Statistics
- Home Office
- HM Revenue & Customs

Funding: £2.9 million

Climate Change and UNESCO Heritage

This pilot will bring public and private bodies and their data together within three UK UNESCO heritage sites to develop and test models of improved joint working plus new approaches and data tools to share and analyse geodata effectively. This aims to enable the development of cross-cutting solutions to the impacts of climate change and to develop shareable tools and models for natural and heritage sites worldwide.

- Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport
- Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office
- Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- Department for Science, Innovation and Technology
- UK National Commission for UNESCO
- Natural England
- Historic England
- Geospatial Commission
- Office for National Statistics

Funding: £1.8 million

Net Zero Blended Finance Project (NZBFP)

This project will improve the capacity and expertise of government to explore innovative blended finance approaches in funding designs for net zero. In doing so, it will expand the government's use of blended finance where appropriate, improve collaboration with public finance institutions, and catalyse additional private sector investment into key technologies and business models supporting the UK's transition to net zero.

- Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
- HM Treasury
- Department for Business and Trade
- Department for Transport
- UK Infrastructure Bank
- Innovate UK
- British Business Bank
- UK Export Finance

Funding: £1.7 million

Evaluation of the combating drugs partnerships (CDPs)

This project is a process evaluation of the whole-system delivery model of the 10-year Drugs Strategy, including the local delivery of programmes from across the strategy. It will include deep dives into a sample of Combating Drugs Partnerships, with a focus on how they contribute to the strategy's aims. Sharing learning from this and other cross-system approaches across government, as well as across local and national networks is integral, alongside exploring options to evaluate impact.

- Home Office
- Ministry of Justice
- Department of Health and Social Care
- Department for Work and Pensions
- Department for Education
- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

Funding: £1.0 million

Remote Legal Advice Pilot

The Remote Legal Advice Project is a research project which aims to build an evidence base to understand the impact of remote legal advice within the police station. The project will explore how remote legal advice can be used appropriately, consistently, and effectively to benefit those in custody, solicitors, police stations and the court system. Project findings will be used to inform future policy decisions.

- Ministry of Justice
- Home Office
- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
- Crown Prosecution Service

Funding: £0.8 million

Connectivity Tool

The Connectivity Tool will combine transport and location data to generate a measure of the transport connectedness of any location in the country. In this way, it will fill an essential analytical gap in how transport connectivity between homes, jobs and services is measured and scored. By quantitatively assessing places' connectedness to essential services, the Connectivity Tool will support policy-making and decision-taking across planning and transport.

- Department for Transport
- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
- Active Travel England

Funding: £0.3 million

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