

Innovation and Resilience Fund Round 4 Successful Applicants

In Round 4 of the Innovation and Resilience Fund – funded through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) and the Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF)– applicants could apply for up to £30,000 for projects to improve their productivity and/or create high value employment. The list below provides details of the thirteen applicants who were successful in securing funding, including their grant award.

Applicant	Grant Award
A Little Enhancement	£30,000
A Little Enhancement is a Nurse-led wellness clinic based at Winslade Park. They received a grant to purchase a medical-grade skin laser. This technology will enable them to deliver new treatments including facial thread vein removal, pigmentation correction, skin rejuvenation, small lesion removal, and hair removal. This diversification in the services offered will support two jobs and lead to a huge boost in productivity for the business.	
Best Builds Sustainable Construction Ltd	£9,053
Best Builds Sustainable Construction received funding for a ground screw installation rig and testing equipment to integrate ground screw foundation systems into their construction services. This will create a new, two-person ground screw installation and joinery team, offering a less carbon intensive method of construction in the East Devon area.	
BKS (Made to Measure) Limited	£30,000
BKS (Made to Measure) Ltd are a specialist in bespoke, tailor-made motorcycle clothing. Their grant will go toward the creation of a new design studio space, equipped with advanced body scanning and digital pattern-making technology. The project will create three new roles in the business and boost productivity significantly.	
Chilcotts Auctioneers	£22,800
Chilcotts Auctioneers Ltd provide auction and valuation services to private and professional clients throughout Devon. They have been awarded a grant to install a platform lift to give access to an unusable part of the building to create an additional auction gallery. This will enable the business to move into new markets, create three new jobs, and support Honiton's reputation as a centre for antique and heritage goods.	
Haye Farm	£18,987
Haye Farm's project is the purchase of a vertical slicer to expand their organic butchery operations into the retail packaged goods market. This includes staff training, recruitment of a skilled butcher and assistant packers, and conversion of an unused space into a new slicing and packing area. They forecast this project will increase production threefold and create 5 new roles within an 18-month period.	
Higher Colston Farm	£7,300
Higher Colston Farm received a grant to establish a dedicated cheese and yogurt production room, milk processing room, and storage room to expand their existing raw milk business. They will also purchase a pasteuriser to produce high quality dairy products. This will increase their productivity, lead to part time employment opportunities, and reduce waste within the production process.	
HJ Mears & Sons	£3,010
HJ Mears & Sons Boatbuilders is a family business which builds and restores boats. Their grant will go towards converting the existing sliding industrial door access to the boatshed with bespoke roller shutter doors. A new roller shutter door will upgrade the existing workspace and allow usable floorspace to be maximised and to undertake work on wider boats, and multiple boats, in controlled conditions.	
McAusland Optometrists	£20,000
McAusland Optometrists has received grant funding to purchase specialist equipment to deliver cutting-edge dry eye treatments, namely Intense Pulsed Light (IPL) and Low Level	

Light Therapy (LLLT). This will offer unique eyecare services to the Exmouth community and provide the business with a competitive edge. The project will create two new employment opportunities for highly skilled opticians.	
Nicola's Chocolate	£5,740
Nicola's Chocolate have secured grant funding to scale up their bean-to-bar chocolate business and increase their capacity. Grant funding will be used to purchase a commercial melanger, tempering machine, and winnower to improve output, consistency, and reduce energy and waste.	
Pyramid Health Clinics Ltd	£3,455
Pyramid Health Clinics Ltd will use their grant to purchase new specialist physiotherapy equipment, including a shockwave unit. This equipment will allow PHC to deliver specialist, one-to-one strength, conditioning & rehabilitation services to people of all ages and abilities. The project will enable the clinic to take on an additional chiropractor.	
Synergi SW Limited	£26,250
Synergi SW Ltd are a plumbing, heating and renewable energy business. They have received a grant to convert a former piggery into a dedicated Low Carbon Training and Education Centre. The training centre will create dedicated, specialist space to facilitate workforce development in critical green technologies. The project will lead to four new jobs and support skills development in the retrofit sector.	
uandi design Ltd	£3,405
uandi design ltd, a graphic design studio in Exmouth, has been awarded a grant to bring short-run print production in-house by purchasing specialist printing services. This will create a small-batch printing service for the local area and enable the launch of a new creative brand, SUNDRUNK.	
Wildwood Timber ltd	£10,000
Wildwood Timber have applied to upgrade their current portable sawmill to a larger machine. This will increase their client base and enable them to offer a mobile sawmilling service to woodland owners and other tree surgeons, converting their timber into usable building materials on site.	

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