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| **New grants scheme to be launched soon** |
| Derbyshire Dales District Council has been awarded more than £1 million by the UK Government to extend its successful UK Shared Prosperity Fund and Rural England Prosperity Fund programme.  Grant schemes for local businesses and community organisations are included in the extended programme which runs until the end of March 2026.  Applications for capital or revenue funding will be open shortly to businesses in all sectors, particularly those with growth potential and incorporating de carbonisation measures. Free energy audits will also be available to help identify potential energy cost savings and a reduction in carbon footprint for businesses,  Funding will also be available for charities, voluntary sector organisations, Parish and Town councils to access support to become more resilient.  Businesses and organisations should register their interest [here](https://www.investinderbyshiredales.org/help/funding-your-business/business-and-community-grants) in anticipation of the grant schemes being launched in the near future. The launch will be announced in this enewsletter.  200 wide funded by uk gov for webpages  **Is there a neglected historic building in your community?**  There are hundreds of historic buildings in the Derbyshire Dales, reflecting the area’s rich cultural and industrial heritage. If your community knows of a building in need of rescue and a new purpose then the recently launched £5m [Heritage Revival Fund](https://ahfund.org.uk/news/latest/5-million-heritage-revival-fund-announced-to-breathe-new-life-into-historic-buildings-across-england/) may be able to help. The fund will support community organisations to take ownership of historic buildings, transforming them into vibrant spaces that meet modern needs.  The Architectural Heritage Fund  **Upcoming Free Events**  **How Environmental Responsibility can bring your Business Alive, 24 April, online**  This free webinar will show you how to take a values-led approach to environmental and social responsibility and the benefits this can bring. More information and registration [here](https://www.emc-dnl.co.uk/events/how_environmental_responsibility_can_bring_your_business_alive1842639687/).  **Generation Next – Time Management and Productivity, 8 May, online**  Struggling to juggle multiple projects and deadlines? This [session](https://www.emc-dnl.co.uk/events/generation-next-members-only-time-management-productivity_pnwe5ahimk/) will show you how to master time management and increase productivity**.**  **Digital Awareness Conference, 9th May 2025, Derby**  Are you are struggling to keep up with how digital technology can help your business? If so sign up [here](https://www.emc-dnl.co.uk/events/how-digital-can-grow-your-business-derbyshire-digital-awareness-conference-2025_u5q9gknpwm/) for a free place on this year’s Digital Awareness Conference. The conference will focus on practical solutions, providing education on connectivity, new tools, technology and training to improve productivity and your business offer.  **Derbyshire Manufacturing Network, 16th May, Wirksworth**  This network unites local manufacturers, enabling members to harness the cross-industry, business, engineering and manufacturing knowledge necessary to evolve and expand. More information [here](https://www.emc-dnl.co.uk/events/derbyshire-manufacturing-network_mgkw66tbst/).  **AI and Digital Marketing Conference, 6 June 2025, Nottingham**  If you want to take advantage of AI opportunities in reaching new audiences, winning or retaining customers, and improving sales & marketing productivity, then [register](https://www.emc-dnl.co.uk/events/ai-digital-marketing-conference-exhibition_768xhg068v/) for a free place on this East Midlands Chamber event.  Event Banner Image |