

Forum Update: November 2011

About Us

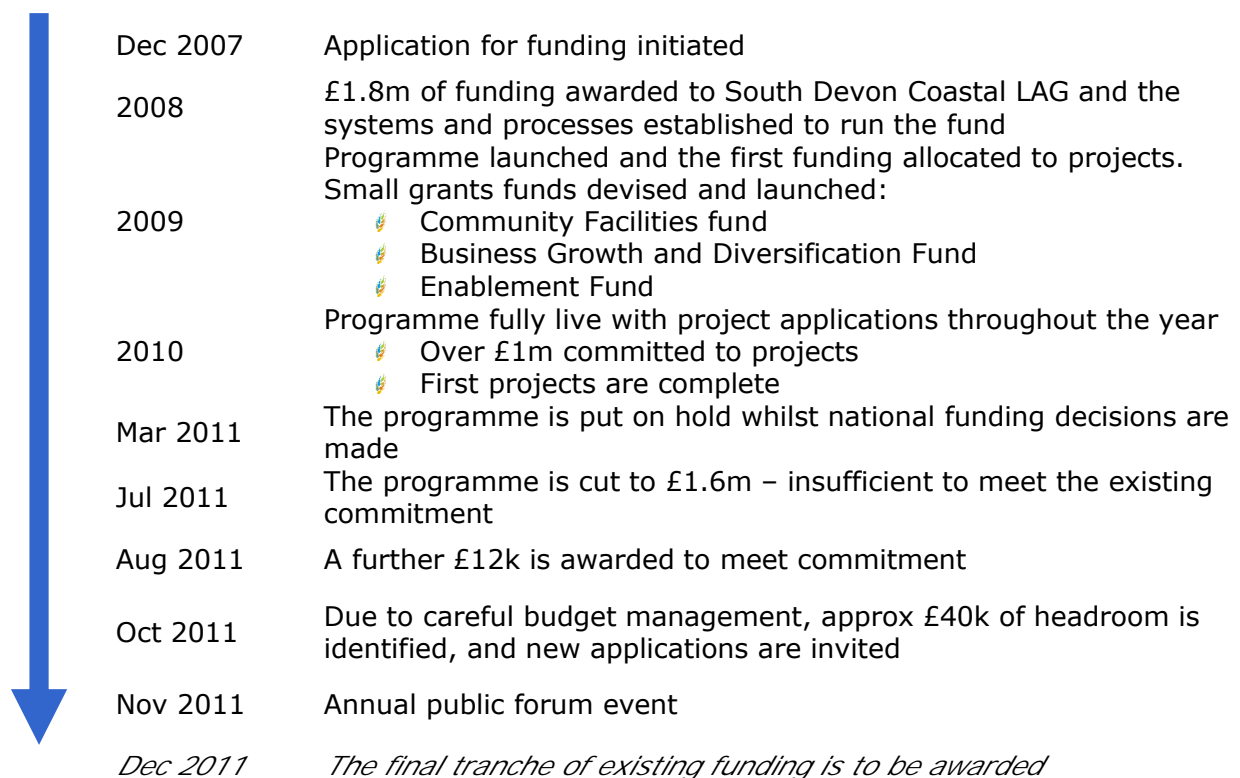
The South Devon Coastal Local Action Group is a community-led association of public, private and voluntary sector interests sharing a common vision for our designated area. Operating at a true grassroots level and fully engaged with the local community through the partnership members, our Group seeks to foster the wellbeing of our communities and the competitiveness of our businesses, whilst safeguarding the beautiful landscape and natural resources of the area.

Our aim is to secure **"a diverse and multifunctional landscape harnessed for sustainable economic and community benefits."** We hope to achieve this by

- linking and adapting businesses for improved economic performance;
- sustaining communities through community enterprise and linked service provision;
- marketing and sustaining the area's unique selling points;
- building the capacity to deliver rural development locally

We started the programme with £1.8m of funding, but due to budget cuts nationally this has been reduced by Defra to £1.61 million from the Rural Development Programme for England which is being allocated to projects that help us deliver our objectives.

How We Got to This Point



The European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development:
Europe investing in rural areas



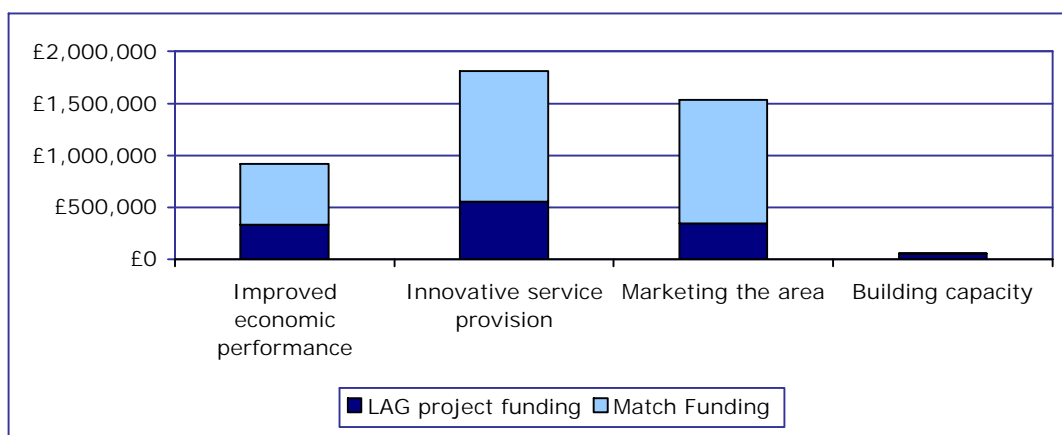
Funds invested up to November 2011

So far South Devon Coastal LAG has agreed to fund 81 projects. In total £1.29m has been committed to these projects.

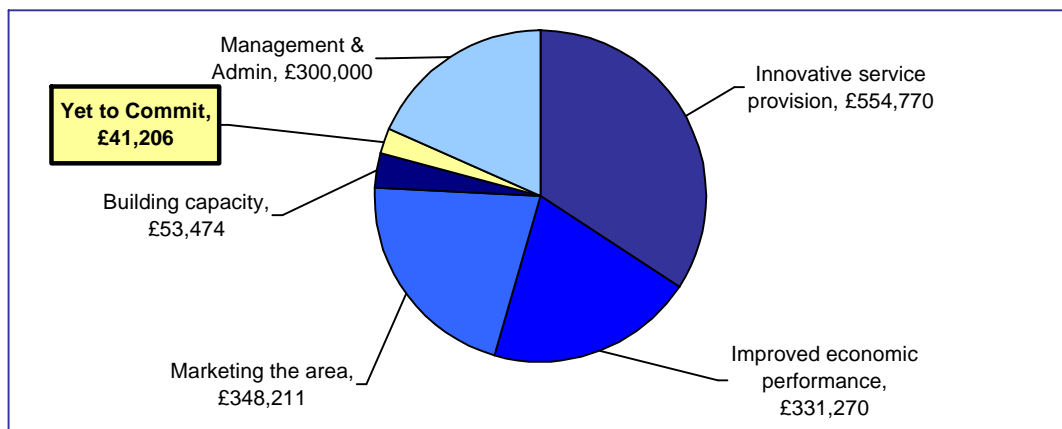
This is being matched with funding from other sources, and the total project value that is being supported so far is approximately £4.3m.

To date the funded projects have claimed down over £837k of funding from South Devon Coastal Local Action Group.

Summary of Project Funding Commitment to Date



Summary of Available Funding to Date



Our Management Team

Voting Partners	Sector
South Hams Agricultural Forum Representative: John Yeoman (Chairman)	Private sector (Business association)
Kingsbridge & Salcombe Area Partnership Representative: Peter Sandover (Vice Chairman)	Multi-sector Partnership (MCTI Group)
South Devon AONB Representative: Robin Toogood (Vice Chairman)	Public Sector (AONB Partnership)
Kingsbridge & Salcombe Area Partnership Representative: Alan Stapleton	Multi-sector Partnership (MCTI Group)
South Hams District Council (Accountable Body) Representative: Cllr R John Carter	Public (Local Authority)
ASH(T)IC Representative: Amanda Bloomer	Private Sector (Business)
South Hams Council for Voluntary Services Representative: Jill Davies	Voluntary Sector (Registered charity)
Stokenham Parish & Salcombe Town Councils Representative: Gill Claydon	Public Sector (Parish/town councils)
Kingston Parish Council Representative: Judy Alloway	Public sector (Parish / town councils)
Community Member Representative: Tony Watson	Private sector (Business)
Private Sector Representative: Bruce Fletcher	Private sector (Business)
Private Sector Representative: Cat Middle	Private Sector (Business)
Community Member Representative: Susan Mackechnie-Jarvis	Voluntary sector (Various bodies)
Community Member Representative: Steve Manchip	Private sector (Voluntary)
Community Member Representative: Stuart Watts	Private sector (Voluntary)
Community Member Representative: Burda Gage	Private sector (Voluntary)

Other Non-Voting Members	
South Hams District Council Representative: Carol Trant	Public sector (Business association)
Devon Renaissance (Programme Manager) Representative: Liz Abell	Private sector (Regeneration Company)
Devon Renaissance (Project Officer) Representative: Cathy Heath	Private sector (Regeneration Company)



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Projects: Case Studies

The Coleridge Bus



This project was to purchase a new enviro-friendly bus with improved wheelchair and passenger access. The project will seek to train enough new drivers to ensure the scheduled bus service for the next ten years and to raise awareness of the access provided by our bus routes to our coastal areas for recreational purposes.

South Devon Coastal LAG Funding:
£50,000

Active Kingston

A Play Area for small children and an Adventure Area for older children in Kingston forms the project for this application. It will have a variety of modern, safe installations on high quality surfacing to enable stimulating play and physical activity.

South Devon Coastal LAG Funding:
£15,000



Dartmouth Regeneration Project



To redevelop part of the Grade II listed Market building to provide additional retail space, which will in turn create a vibrant commercial hub with its own identity, and through additional retail use would create additional footfall and integrate it back into the overall town centre retail area. It would assist in sustaining and promoting economic wealth in the town in order to secure long term prosperity, provide additional employment opportunities and entrepreneurship, provide an additional attraction to the Town rather than the Market being seen as a Tuesday and Friday facility, and help to extend the current tourism season.

South Devon Coastal LAG Funding: £95,000