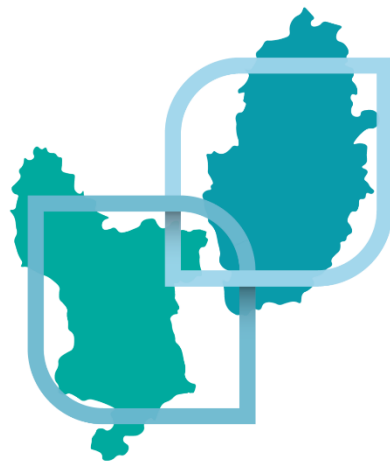


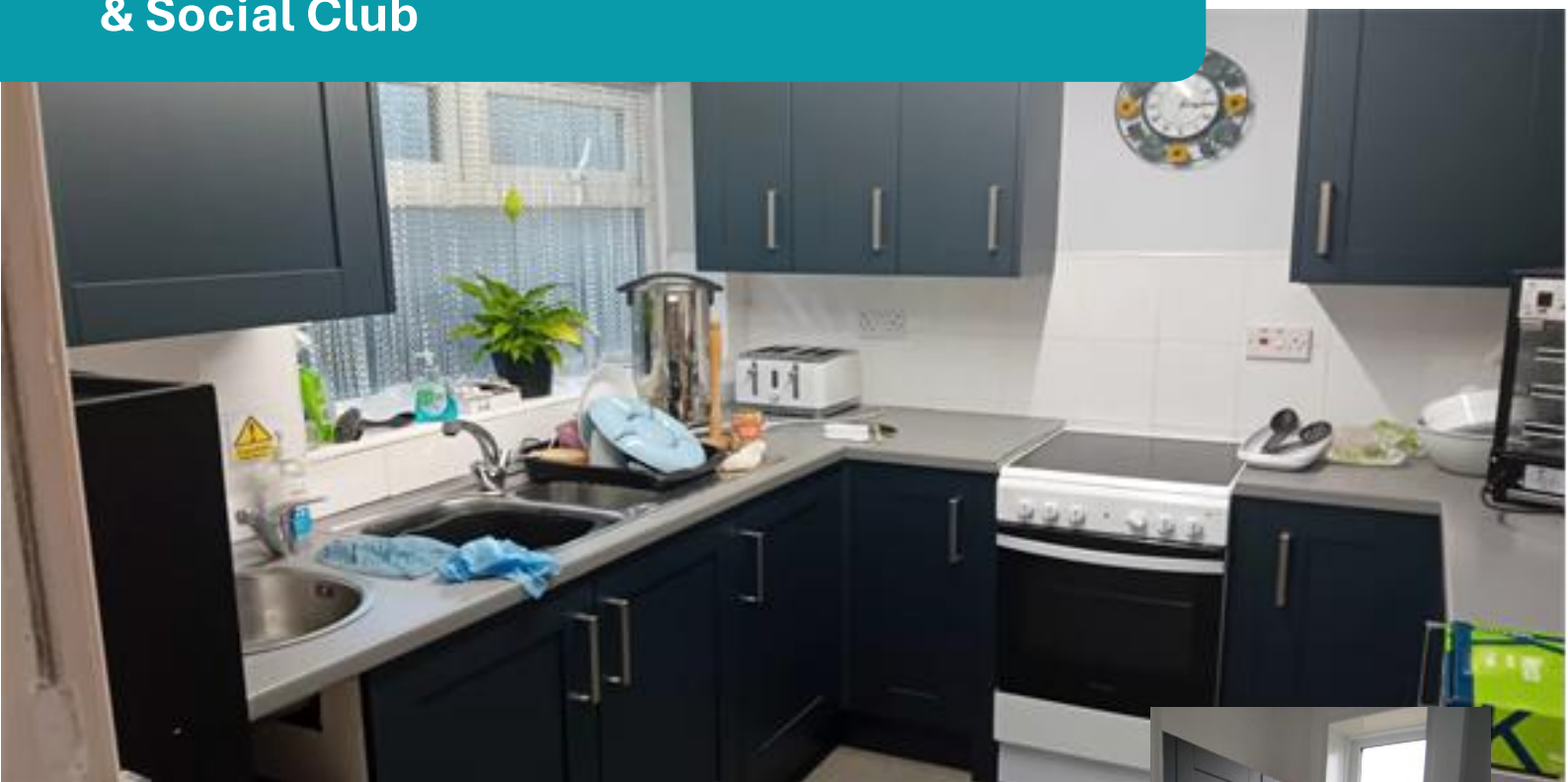
UK Shared Prosperity Fund

‘High Peak Community Infrastructure Grant’

Case Study



Furness Vale Community Association & Social Club



About

Furness Vale Community Association and Social Club serves Furness Vale and the surrounding area. Facilities include the community post office and café (open twice a week), monthly Citizens Advice sessions, and drop-in clinics.

The grant enabled replacement cabinets to the main kitchen and presents a much-improved facility. In addition, a smaller kitchen facility has been added on the first floor, which serves, the newly created ‘Warm Space’.



- £2,406 awarded
- 5 volunteering opportunities created as a result of support
- Improved kitchen facilities
- Increase in users following improvements



Before

The Grant Scheme

This project was part-funded by East Midlands Combined County Authority and the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. The grant scheme was administered by High Peak Borough Council.

The UK Shared Prosperity Fund provided £25.17 million of funding for local investment across Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire in 2025/26. This funding, distributed by the East Midlands Combined County Authority (EMCCA), aims to boost pride in place and increase life chances in the region. The investment will focus on supporting communities and businesses, as well as developing skills for individuals.

The Grant Scheme

Providing kitchen facilities to the upper room has enabled the provision of a 'Warm Space' particularly with the youth of the village in mind, providing a space which is more suitable than the rest of the building.

The organisation has also seen an increase in the number of enquiries regarding room bookings for private functions and attendance to their weekly events. There has also been a new regular booking for a craft workshop. These have subsequently increased turnover.

“The new and/or renewed kitchens provided by this grant have made a tremendous difference, both to those using them and the overall perception of the facilities by potential future users. The process from beginning to end was reasonably straightforward and where there was need of a little support this was always readily available from the team at HPBC”

Phil Lomas – Club Secretary



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