

Impact at a glance

The UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) funding helped address priority gaps identified through the Healthy Didcot Action Plan by supporting locally designed projects that responded to community needs. This ensured resources were targeted where they could have the greatest impact while building long-term community capacity and resilience.



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**Partner organisations
delivering funded work
across the town**



29

**Groups and projects
funded, including 18
through the Powerhouse
grant scheme**



10,295

**Number of participants
with improved-skills
across all funded activity**



Through an Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) approach, community organisations co-created bespoke interventions to tackle social isolation, improve wellbeing, strengthen local networks and increase opportunities for participation

UKSPF Funded Projects

All projects responded to a
Healthy Didcot
(HD) area within the
Healthy Didcot Action Plan

The Didcot Powerhouse Fund

HD1-8 across 18
projects



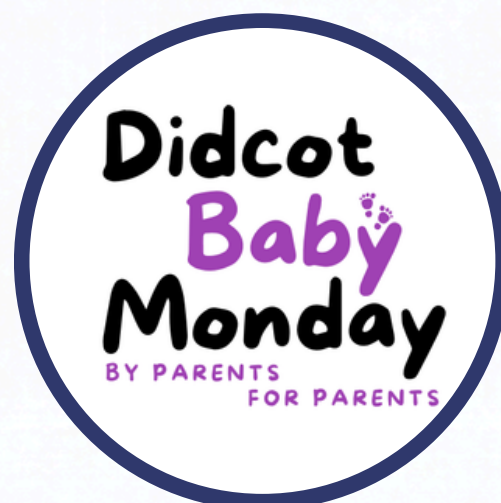
HD3 Connection



HD2 Growth and development/
Growing communities



HD7 Food: Extending reach of community
cooking/allotments
& HD2 Growing communities



HD3 Connection: Early intervention,
education and relationship building
HD5 Mental health: Supporting
mental wellbeing in the transition to
motherhood and parent-infant
attachment.



HD1 Strengthening local capacity
through collaboration and networking



HD5: Mental Health
Preventative work in schools



HD4 Community
activation



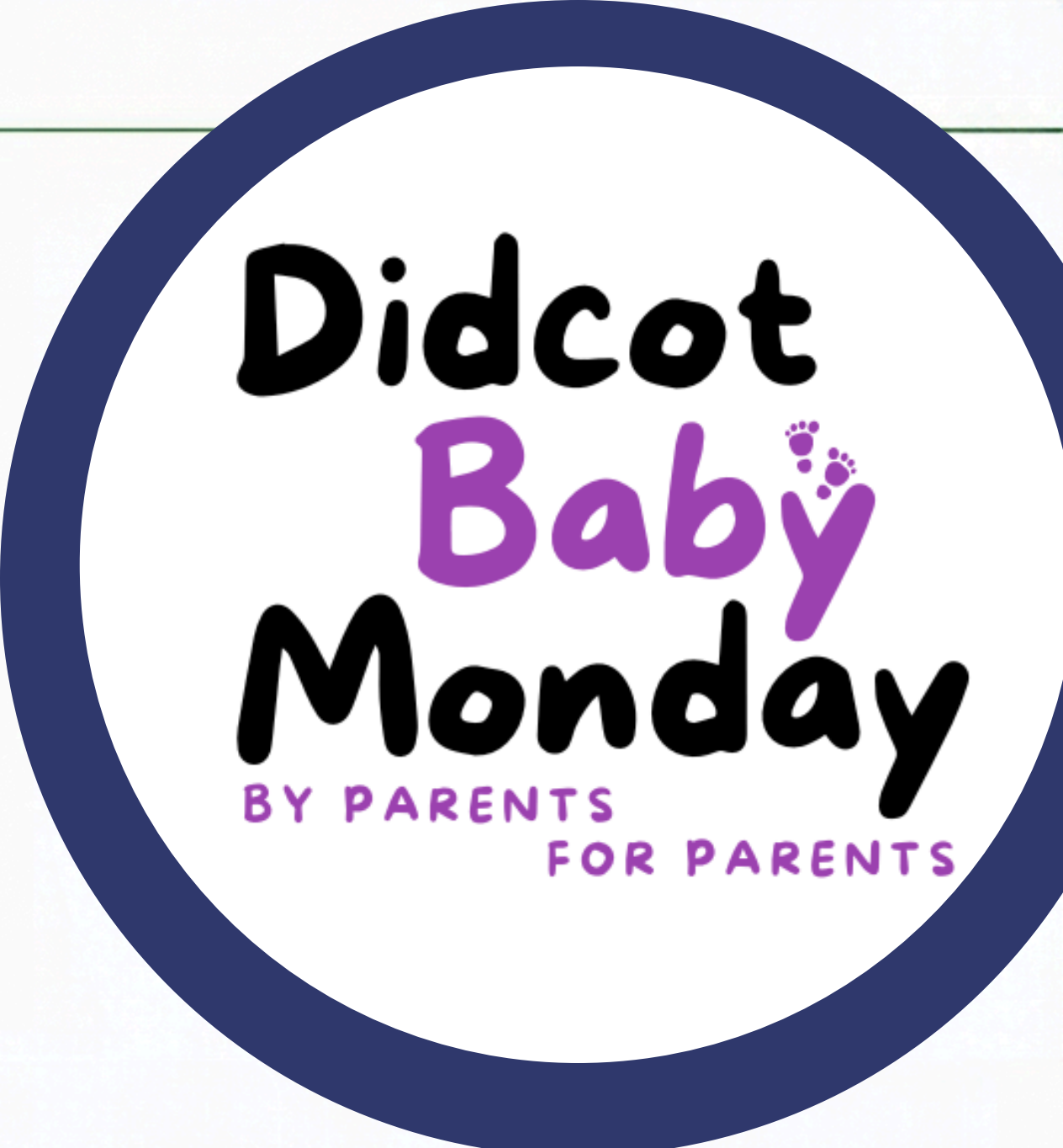
HD6 Physical Health & HD3
Connection

Spotlight on

Didcot Baby Monday

*Quote from one of our
"Spill the Tea" mamas:*

"I got so much out of the spill the tea sessions. I always came away feeling lighter and with a sense of solidarity. Spaces where people feel they can safely open up without judgement knowing that people will be able to empathise with them are so precious and I wish all new parents could access one."



**Didcot
Baby
Monday**
BY PARENTS
FOR PARENTS

"Coming along to Bump Club meant that once I gave birth I knew where and how to access the breastfeeding support that honestly made the world of difference and saved me! Didcot Baby Monday is so important for me, having recently moved to the area with no contacts/ little support. I'd just like to say a really big thank you as honestly not sure where I'd be without the group. "

Quote from Bump Club

Spotlight on

Didcot Festival of Cultures



The festival attracted over 800 visitors, celebrated 20+ languages and represented cultures from Europe, Africa, Asia, North and South America

Today you'll be able to experience music, dance, drumming, art, performances and traditions from many different cultures. But beyond all the activities, the real purpose of today is **connection**.

Because cultures are not just costumes. They're not just flags or food, they're people. And every person has a story worth hearing.

I often think that Didcot is like a beautiful patchwork quilt. Each piece is different, Different colours, Different patterns, Different histories. But **when stitched together, they create something far stronger and more beautiful than any single piece on its own. That's our town, our community.** And that's what we're celebrating today.

Sneha Anand (Didcot interfaith Group)

Spotlight on

The Didcot Powerhouse Fund

Powering a Healthy Didcot

2026 Grant Recipients

This year's 18 funded projects span a wide range of community needs:

Cycling Without Age Oxfordshire
 Bee N Spired CIC
 Aureus School Parents & Carers Association
 Friends of Sutton Courtenay Primary C of E School
 Oxfordshire Discovery College .
 All Yours Period Box
 Assisted Reading for Children (ARCh)
 Bright Sparks Science CIC
 Didcot Baby Monday
 Dorcas Dress Project
 Home-Start Southern Oxfordshire
 Justice in Motion
 Oxford Parent-Infant Project (OXPIP)
 Quest for Learning
 Survivor Space Oxford
 Sustainable Didcot
 The Cornermen CIO
 TRAIN

2026 GRANT RECIPIENTS



The UKSPF funding made a significant difference to the grants made by The Didcot Powerhouse Fund in 2026 on our theme “Powering a healthy Didcot”. The funding enabled Powerhouse to broaden the reach of our grants to new charities, and more importantly, to new beneficiaries. Examples include funding to enable primary school children to learn how to cook healthy meals at home, and funding the purchase of a trishaw so volunteers can take the elderly and isolated on cycle rides into green spaces. Already we can see the impact this funding is achieving. Thank you

Elizabeth Paris DL, Chair, The Didcot
 Powerhouse Fund



Spotlight on

Sustainable Didcot

Activities included...

Family Drop-In sessions

Didcot Garden Party: partner coordination, leaflet design, print and distribution

Providing training for volunteers including Food Hygiene Level 1 & 2 (20 people), First Aid (24 people), PAT Testing (10 people).

Food Rescue

Heathier Treats

Skills & chill sessions



Working with a range of community groups including Didcot Railway Centre, Didcot International cafe, and Didcot Muslim Scouts