

RSA Regional Selective Assistance

Annual Summary 2022/23

Background

This is a summary of all the grants offered using Regional Selective Assistance (RSA). It provided discretionary grants to investment projects that will create and safeguard employment in the Assisted Areas – areas designated for regional aid under European Community law. It also included ‘Tier 3’ assistance in other designated areas where we could offer support to Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs), delivered under the EC’s General Block Exemption Regulations.

Payment of RSA is made in instalments, typically over several years as job and capital expenditure targets are met. Not all projects will proceed, and nor do all accepted offers result in full payment, as projects are sometimes scaled down or

abandoned before payments are made. The figures quoted in the tables, therefore, represent the maximum grant potentially payable if the project is satisfactorily completed, and **not** the amount actually paid to date. All job numbers given in this report are firms’ forecast figures and are subject to change depending on future economic conditions and other factors affecting the businesses concerned.

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Results

In 2022/23 businesses across a wide range of sectors accepted 16 offers of RSA totalling over £15 million. These offers relate to projects with planned capital expenditure of just under £105 million and the expected creation or safeguarding of 1141 jobs. Of these offers, 8 were made under the Low Carbon Manufacturing Challenge Fund.

SMEs accounted for 13 (81%) of the accepted RSA offers with total grant of £8 million. These projects involve planned investment of £31 million with the aim of creating or safeguarding 554 jobs.

The tables below compare this year's figures against the previous 3 years.

Table 1: Offers Accepted (Number)

	2022/23	2021/22	2020/21	2019/20
Scottish owned	13 (81%)	25 (78%)	28 (82%)	66 (80%)
UK (Non Scottish) owned	1 (6%)	3 (9%)	2 (6%)	4 (5%)
Foreign owned	2 (13%)	4 (13%)	4 (12%)	12 (15%)
Total	16	32	34	82

Table 2: Offers Accepted (Amount)

	2022/23	2021/22	2020/21	2019/20
Scottish owned	£8m (52%)	£8.6m (72%)	£5m (70%)	£15.4m (52%)
UK (Non Scottish) owned	£1.4m (10%)	£2m (17%)	£1.7m (23%)	£1.8m (6%)
Foreign owned	£5.8m (38%)	£1.4m (12%)	£0.5m (7%)	£12.2m (42%)
Total	£15.2m	£12m	£7.2m	£29.4m

Table 3: Planned Capital Expenditure

	2022/23	2021/22	2020/21	2019/20
Scottish owned	£31m (29%)	£32.5m (93%)	£20.3m (86%)	£51.6m (68%)
UK (Non Scottish) owned	£10m (10%)	£2.1m (6%)	£1.3m (6%)	£1.9m (3%)
Foreign owned	£64m (61%)	£0.3m (1%)	£2m (8%)	£22.3m (29%)
Total	£105m	£34.9m	£23.6m	£75.8m

Table 4: Planned Jobs

	2022/23	2021/22	2020/21	2019/20
Scottish owned	554 (49%)	840 (76%)	589 (74%)	1434 (56%)
UK (Non Scottish) owned	60 (5%)	136 (12%)	147 (19%)	280 (11%)
Foreign owned	527 (46%)	132 (12%)	57 (7%)	854 (33%)
Total	1141	1108	793	2568

To enable us to demonstrate actual jobs vs. planned jobs, we have reported actual jobs created at the end point of projects completing in each financial year vs planned jobs anticipated at the start of the projects, Table 5.

Note that projects concluding in each financial year will have started at different times and have had awards offered in different years. Therefore, the figures appearing in Tables 4 and 5 are not directly comparable.

Table 5 data is for all projects completing their payment phase in each financial year for the period FY 2018-19 and 2022-23. The actual job numbers relate to the status at the final payment or where the project has closed early. The figures do not include cases in which the project did not proceed, and no grant was paid.

Table 5

Financial Year (FY)	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	Total
Grant Offered (£m)	7.8	9.8	5.1	24.5	12.3	59.5
Grant Paid (£m)	7.8	9.9	5	24	11.6	58.3
New Jobs at offer stage	435	710	291	1,712	1,224	4372
Actual New Jobs	613	855	343	2,231	1,365	5407
Safeguarded Jobs at Offer	328	465	244	1,285	359	2681
Actual Safeguarded Jobs	337	412	240	1,269	357	2615
Capital Expenditure at Offer (£m)	32	50.4	23.8	124.5	40.5	271.2
Actual Capital Expenditure (£m)	33	54.4	25	137.4	40.6	290.4

Table 6: Companies Supported (by Local Authority)

Q	Company Name	Local Authority
1	Nexus Packaging Ltd.	Renfrewshire
1	Newton Steel Framing Limited	Falkirk
1	J & D Wilkie Limited	Angus
2	Guala Closures UK Limited	North Lanarkshire
2	Bevan Harris Limited T/A The Clyde Leather Company	East Renfrewshire
3	Norframe Ltd	Aberdeenshire
3	The Door Centre Limited	Midlothian
3	Board24 Ltd	North Lanarkshire
4	Grays Recycling Ltd	Moray
4	Gilmour & Dean Limited	North Lanarkshire
4	Robert Cullen Limited	Glasgow City
4	FlexMedical Solutions Limited	West Lothian
4	Arran Diaries Ltd	North Ayrshire
4	Highlander International Recycling Limited	South Lanarkshire
4	John Galvin Design Ltd	Glasgow City
4	Levenseat Ltd	Falkirk

Table 7: Summary of Offers Accepted (by Local Authority)

Local Authority	Grant Offered (£k)	Capital Expenditure at Offer (£k)
Aberdeenshire	750	4015
Angus	275	500
East Renfrewshire	76	450
Falkirk	1363	5510
Glasgow City	925	6026
Midlothian	207	1039
Moray	500	1936
North Ayrshire	500	1546
North Lanarkshire	7280	73868
Renfrewshire	2400	8540
South Lanarkshire	259	740
West Lothian	700	470



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