

Social Mobility in Counties

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**A NEW DEAL
FOR COUNTIES:**
Fair and sustainable funding



Counties' ambitions to deliver better social mobility are often hampered by the funding pressures they are under. The government should ensure that the Fair Funding Review delivers a more equitable share of funding for shire counties.



Responsibilities and budgets for skills have been devolved to metro mayors. The government should devolve the same responsibilities and budgets to county authorities.



Government should support counties to ensure that they have the powers and funding to improve transport connectivity for rural areas, both within counties & across local government boundaries.



The Social Mobility Commission highlighted the challenge of delivering upward social mobility in rural and coastal communities. DEFRA and MHCLG should commission further work on what is holding back social mobility in these areas.

