

# England, Midlands & East: delegated decisions June 2024

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## 6 June

### National Lottery Heritage Grants £10,000 to £250,000

#### Alvechurch Tower – tales of heritage and sawfish

Applicant: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Alvechurch

Project description: This project will undertake capital repair works to the church tower to remove the church from the Heritage at Risk Register and enable activities to promote its heritage to local communities.

Decision: Award grant of £189,245 (67%)

## 7 June

### National Lottery Heritage Grants £10,000 to £250,000

#### 1940s Melton Mowbray – D-day 80

Applicant: 1940s Melton Mowbray

Project description: This project is a two-day event to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings in the Second World War.

Decision: Reject

### National Lottery Heritage Grants £250,000 to £10million Development round applications

## **Restoration of the Dudley No 2 Canal in Selly Oak**

Applicant: Lapal Canal Trust

Project description: This project will re-create a section of the Dudley No. 2 Canal between the Worcester & Birmingham Canal and Harborne Lane Bridge in Selly Oak.

Decision: Reject

## **20 June**

### **National Lottery Heritage Grants £10,000 to £250,000**

#### **St Laurence Bell Tower and Lychgate Heritage Preservation Project**

Applicant: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish Church of Blackmore St Laurence

Project description: To repair the bell tower and lychgate of this Grade I listed Essex church and provide inclusive activities for the community.

Decision: Award grant of £231,720 (64%)

#### **Repair and re-glazing of the Chancel Altar window**

Applicant: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of the A453 Churches of South Nottinghamshire

Project description: To repair stonework, reglaze the chancel altar window and develop volunteer skills at the Grade I listed Holy Trinity Church at Ratcliffe-on-Soar, Nottinghamshire.

Decision: Award grant of £10,667 (38%)

#### **Healing Hands – Honouring The Legacy of Black Nurses In The UK**

Applicant: Serenity For Girls CIC

Project description: This Birmingham-based project will provide opportunities for young girls to research the history of black nurses in the UK.

Decision: Reject

## **The Heritage of Caring Project**

Applicant: Blade Education

Project description: This project will recognise, preserve and celebrate the history of South East Essex's high support needs community.

Decision: Reject

## **The history of women's rugby in the West Midlands**

Applicant: Avery Fields Community Foundation

Project description: This project will research women's rugby in Birmingham and across the Midlands.

Decision: Reject

## **Eyam Museum Options Project**

Applicant: Eyam Museum Limited

Project description: To conduct audience consultation, an options appraisal and other resilience work to review the future redevelopment of Eyam Museum in Derbyshire to mark its 30th anniversary.

Decision: Award grant of £72,996 (88%)

## **Unlocking The Vaults: Exploring the history and legacy of Birmingham Municipal Bank at The Exchange**

Applicant: University of Birmingham

Project description: To undertake archival research into the history of Birmingham's Grade II listed Exchange building (formerly the Birmingham Municipal Bank and known as 'the People's Bank'). The project will explore the financial heritage of audiences across Birmingham. It will interpret and improve understanding and care of the building's physical and intangible heritage.

Decision: Award grant of £173,250 (90%)

## **Huntingdonshire History Festival**

Applicant: Huntingdonshire History festival

Project description: This project will promote local history of Huntingdonshire with a festival marking the 100th anniversary of 'The Thinking Soldier' war memorial and the 425th birthday of Oliver Cromwell.

Decision: Reject

## **Soldiers from the Sky**

Applicant: South Kesteven District Council

Project description: This project will save stories about the Airborne Forces troops from Britain, the United States and Poland who were stationed at South Kesteven, Lincolnshire during the Second World War. It will involve community archaeology, educational programmes, creating physical and digital heritage trails, a website and events at two airfields.

Decision: Award grant of £147,550 (91%)

## **The Restoration of All Saints Church, Toftrees**

Applicant: All Saints Church Toftrees Parochial Church Council

Project description: To carry out a capital scheme of repairs to a Grade I listed church in Norfolk with a view to removing the site from the Heritage at Risk Register.

Decision: Reject

## **The Power of Worcester**

Applicant: Crave Arts

Project description: This project explores the history of electricity in Worcester. It will engage the local community in the history of the Worcester Generating Station site and the 140th anniversary of Europe's first hydroelectric power station at Powick Mills.

Decision: Award grant of £42,831 (95%)

### **The Focus on Local Landmarks Project**

Applicant: Mercian Educational Trust

Project description: This project will work with school children in nine towns and villages across England to gather stories from older residents about heritage landmarks in these places.

Decision: Reject

### **Howard Higgins Heritage Centre @ Govardhan Eco Farm**

Applicant: Fergus Quinn

Project description: To build a barn on the eco-farm used for storage and workshops.

Decision: Reject

### **Commemoration of the Somali Culture/Traditions**

Applicant: Somali Development Services CIC

Project description: This project will deliver an annual two-day event celebrating Somali culture in Leicester coinciding with Black History Month. The project will provide opportunities for attendees to experience examples of intangible cultural heritage from the region.

Decision: Reject

### **Kimberley's Chapel on the Hill External Restoration**

Applicant: Kimberley Town Council

Project description: This project will repair and conserve this Grade II listed chapel in Kimberley, Nottinghamshire, through repointing using lime mortar.

Decision: Reject

### **All Saints Church, Great Thurlow: Repair Works**

Applicant: The Parochial Church Council of All Saints Great Thurlow

Project description: This project will address maintenance and repair issues identified to the Grade II\* All Saints Church in Great Thurlow, Suffolk.

Decision: Reject

### **When you're alone, we're together: Remembering Radio Orwell**

Applicant: Cohere Arts CIC

Project description: To collect memories and memorabilia related to Radio Orwell in Suffolk ahead of the 50th anniversary of the station's founding in 2025, creating events and archive material.

Decision: Award grant of £18,559 (100%)

### **The Congolese twins' birth and naming ceremony**

Applicant: V12 OCEAN CIC.

Project description: This project will involve raising awareness of the intangible Congolese heritage of birth and naming ceremonies for twins, engaging young people through intergenerational workshops and training in oral history recording and transcription.

Decision: Reject

### **Fortifying the Future**

Applicant: Snodhill Castle Preservation Trust

Project description: This resilience project will help improve the Trust's core infrastructure, engaging new audiences and strengthening collaborative partnerships to help improve its management of the Grade II\* listed castle and Scheduled Ancient Monument near Dorstone, Herefordshire.

Decision: Award grant of £201,104 (100%)

### **Celebrating Wensum Lodge and its importance to Norwich and Norfolk 1807-2024**

Applicant: WISEArchive

Project description: This project will celebrate Norwich's Grade I listed Wensum Lodge and its history as an adult learning centre from 1954 to 2024. It will save heritage through the collection of local oral histories, making these available to all on a website and in local exhibitions.

Decision: Award grant of £27,808 (100%)

### **Black Shuck Festival Heritage Programme 2024**

Applicant: Black Shuck Festival Group

Project description: This project will reconnect East Suffolk communities with their shared heritage: historical, cultural and natural, creating tangible outcomes through increased participation and engagement from the community.

Decision: Reject

### **Let's Go Fly 'The Kite': Cambridge's People Power Heritage Discovery Project**

Applicant: Together Culture CIC

Project description: This project will explore, share and celebrate the heritage of 'The Kite' which is an area in central Cambridge, its boundaries forming the shape of a kite, that has a long history of community activism.

Decision: Award grant of £55,950 (60%)

### **The D.H. Lawrence Integrated Resources Project**

Applicant: D.H. Lawrence Society

Project description: To research, categorise and make publicly accessible the D.H. Lawrence collections held by the D.H. Lawrence Society, the Birthplace Museum and Eastwood Library.

Decision: Reject

### **Hey! Earthlings!**

Applicant: Participate Contemporary Artspace C.I.C

Project description: This project will invite people from different ethnic and cultural backgrounds in Shrewsbury to share and celebrate their cultures, connect with nature and build stronger ties to land and community at local heritage sites.

Decision: Award grant of £50,919 (100%)

### **The Lights of Leamington: Switched on Stories**

Applicant: Whittle Productions CiC

Project description: This project will research and preserve the heritage of a significant cultural festival held in Leamington, Warwickshire from 1951 to 1961.

Decision: Award grant of £64,038 (94%)

### **Passing It On: Framing the Stories of Football in Our Community**

Applicant: Art Reach (Trust) Ltd

Project description: To explore the past, present and future of Nirvana Football Club, a Leicester club celebrating its 30th anniversary. The project will culminate in an outdoor exhibition at a Leicester-based international arts festival.

Decision: Award grant of £43,420 (100%)

## **24 June**

### **National Lottery Grants for Heritage – Grant increase applications**

#### **Re-imagining Greyfriars: 800 years of stories in the making**

Applicant: City of Lincoln Council

Decision: Award grant increase of £207,610 to make a total grant of £2,159,510 (66%)?

## **27 June**

### **National Lottery Heritage Grants £10,000 to £250,000**



## **Project Update**

Applicant: Potten End Village Hall

Project description: This project will refurbish the kitchen located in the caretaker's living quarters at Potten End's Village Hall.

Decision: Reject

## **National Lottery Grants for Heritage – Grant increase applications**

### **St. Edmund's Heritage Thatched Roof Renovation**

Applicant: St. Edmunds PCC

Project description: This project will carry out urgent, high level repairs to a medieval church. It will carry out churchyard wildlife improvements and associated activities.

Decision: Award grant increase of £18,324 to make a total grant of £186,376 and grant percentage decrease from 79% to 59%