

England, Midlands & East: delegated decisions

July 2024

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National Lottery Grants for Heritage

Grant increase application

Reconnecting Grantham to its historic landscape

Applicant: The Woodland Trust

Decision: Award grant increase of £100,000 to make a total grant of £528,200 (36%).?

5 July

National Lottery Grants for Heritage

Grant increase application

The Birmingham Cathedral Divine Beauty Project

Applicant: Birmingham Cathedral

Decision: Award grant increase of £85,392 to make a total grant of £726,592 (61%).

18 July

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

Queens of the City

Applicant: LGK in the community

Project description: This project will celebrate the history of migration to Walsall through the stories of women from both newly arrived and established communities with a focus on migrant journeys, heritage through food, archive illustrations and pictures.

Decision: Award grant of £195,158 (82%).

Coastal Community Matters

Applicant: The Time and Tide Bell Organisation Ltd

Project description: This project will bring to life the memories of people living in a broad range of coastal communities around the UK by recording varied memories from older people, making them readily accessible in multiple ways and developing a series of educational activities.

Decision: Award grant of £250,000 (100%).

Golden Valley Pilgrim Way

Applicant: Abbeydore Deanery Council

Project description: This project will enhance the Golden Valley Pilgrim Trail in Herefordshire. They aim to increase the number of people visiting and create a sustainable community business for the churches on route.

Decision: Reject

Raise the Roof at All Saints Church Alrewas

Applicant: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints, Alrewas, Staffordshire

Project description: This project will replace the lead roof of the nave of this Grade I listed Staffordshire church and engage the local community with mapping and interpretation of the decorative ceiling.

Decision: Reject

Re-connect

Applicant: Luton Cultural Services Trust

Project description: This resilience project will review the community needs and organisational sustainability of three heritage sites across Luton.

Decision: Award grant of £177,513 (90%).

Pavilions for Music – bringing the nation's bandstands back to life – phase one

Applicant: Parks for People CIC

Project description: This project will help bring the nation's bandstands back to life by raising awareness of opportunities that exist to use them – before we lose them.

Decision: Reject

Memories of Living Well Together

Applicant: St Philip's Centre Ltd

Project description: This project will preserve and share the recollections and experiences of some of Leicester's diverse, multi-faith communities, both long-term residents and migrants to the city through oral histories, educational work and a museum exhibition.

Decision: Award grant of £163,496 (100%).

Grow Wild Seasons: empowering disability through wildlife heritage volunteering

Applicant: Grow Wild Outreach CIC

Project description: This project will engage individuals in Northamptonshire with disabilities, mental health needs and neurodiversity in year-round conservation activities, offering them the chance to learn about and contribute to local wildlife and natural heritage.

Decision: Award grant of £90,352 (37%).

Haydn Road Heritage Project

Applicant: Castle Cavendish Foundation

Project description: This project will celebrate the history and heritage of the Haydn Road Pavilion and Sports Ground in Nottingham which dates from 1914. They will explore its archive and oral histories from local communities.

Decision: Award grant of £50,458 (100%).

African Rhythms: tracing heritage through dance

Applicant: African Women Impact UK CIO

Project description: This Walsall-based project will preserve and promote the rich cultural heritage of East Africa, through a series of events aimed at raising awareness of dance traditions and promoting intercultural dialogue within the local community.

Decision: Reject

'Tilley' Manea Pump Fire Tender

Applicant: Manea Parish Council

Project description: This Cambridgeshire project will restore and display a 19th century pump fire engine.

Decision: Reject

Crich Tramway Village – foundations first

Applicant: The Tramway Museum Society

Project description: This resilience project will allow this Derbyshire organisation to refresh their Business Plan's strategic goals, improve audience understanding, support volunteer recruitment, enhance collections care and improve the visitor offer of the National Tramway Museum.

Decision: Award grant of £83,875 (94%).

Restoration of the Church of St Philip and St James Hallow

Applicant: Parochial Church Council of St Philip and St James, Hallow

Project description: This project will restore the Grade II* Church of St Philip and St James in Hallow, Worcestershire.

Decision: Reject

Roma Culture and Cultural Heritage

Applicant: Union Romani Voice

Project description: This Suffolk-based project aims to educate and inform non-Roma people about the cultural traditions and heritage of the Roma community.

Decision: Reject

Securing a Sustainable Future for the Home of Children's Play

Applicant: Wicksteed Charitable Trust

Project description: This project will create a sustainable future for Wicksteed Park in Kettering, ensuring it remains a place where people of all generations and backgrounds can meet, play and explore for free, enjoying the positive wellbeing benefits of green space.

Decision: Award grant of £250,000 (95%).

All Saints Community Facilities

Applicant: The Parochial Church Council of Acton Trussell with Bednall

Project description: This project will make internal changes to the Grade II* listed All Saints Church in Staffordshire to enable the continued use of the church and to develop its community offer and organisational sustainability.

Decision: Award grant of £236,995 (68%).

Renovate, Refresh, and Reimagine – phase one

Applicant: Sir John Moore's School and Exhibition Foundation

Project description: This project will carry out a number of surveys and examine the organisational health of this north west Leicestershire organisation, with a view to developing a wider capital repair scheme for its Grade I listed building and museum in the future.

Decision: Award grant of £84,842 (100%).

Forging Resilience: introducing young people to blacksmithing and developing organisational resilience for Hereford Make

Applicant: Hereford Make CIC

Project description: This Herefordshire project will engage young audiences to learn about endangered craft skills, as well as reviewing the applicant's financial and governance model to help preserve blacksmithing and local heritage crafts.

Decision: Reject

Eternities Gone By: exploring the west midlands' small towns

Applicant: TrailTale Services CIC

Project description: This project will create heritage trails showcasing the historical significance, unique attractions and hidden stories of the smaller towns in the west midlands.

Decision: Reject

Mind Aid – heritage expressions for the elderly

Applicant: Mind Aid UK CIC

Project description: This project will deliver focused art and music sessions with elderly people from global majority communities in Leicester.

Decision: Reject

Future Governance – the Chester House Estate

Applicant: North Northamptonshire Council

Project description: This resilience project will undertake a governance review and establish a charitable trust to take over the governance of the Chester House Estate, near Wellingborough, Northamptonshire.

Decision: Defer

Fantastic Foxes – a staged history of Leicester City Football Club

Applicant: Leicester Theatre Trust Limited

Project description: This project will mark the 140th anniversary of Leicester City Football Club through showcasing its history through an exhibition and performances.

Decision: Reject

Marks Tey: stories and spires

Applicant: The Parochial Church Council of Marks Tey

Project description: This project will undertake repairs to the tower of this Grade I listed church near Colchester, Essex and develop activities for the community as well as digitising church records to make them accessible and engaging.

Decision: Award grant of £156,214 (51%).

How the Centre was Won

Applicant: Candy Arts CIC

Project description: This project will explore the history of Leicester's African Caribbean Centre (ACC) from 1981 to the present day, with a particular focus on 1981-2000.

Decision: Reject

Nene Rivers Trust resilience

Applicant: Nene Rivers Trust CIO

Project description: This Northamptonshire project will carry out capacity building activities to improve organisational sustainability and support continued delivery of existing programmes.

Decision: Reject

Luton and Dunstable Hospital: Our Hospital. The Past. The Present. The Future.

Applicant: Community Interest Luton

Project description: This project will research and record the history of Luton and Dunstable Hospital, creating a booklet, exhibition and celebration event.

Decision: Reject

22 July

National Lottery Grants for Heritage

Grant Percentage change

Cromford Mills – sustaining the spirit of revolution

Applicant: The Arkwright Society Ltd

Project description: This resilience project will support the grantee's future sustainability, involving inclusion and wider engagement.

Decision: Award grant percentage increase from 81% to 87%.

26 July

National Lottery Grants for Heritage

Grant percentage change

Victoria Embankment Water Play Park

Applicant: Nottingham City Council

Decision: Award grant percentage decrease from 33% to 27%.

Grant increase applications

Growing our Green Heritage: restoring Birmingham's Botanical Gardens for life

Applicant: Birmingham Botanical & Horticultural Society Ltd

Decision: ?Award grant increase of £234,714 to make a total grant of £825,528 and grant percentage increase from 67% to 77%.?

Rescuing and Restoring Sudbury Gasworks

Applicant: Sudbury Gasworks Restoration Trust Ltd

Decision: ?Award grant increase of £250,000 to make a total grant of £1,847,300 76%.