

# National Lottery boost for Boston

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Boston's marketplace

Two projects led by Boston Borough council and another by Heritage Lincolnshire have benefited from over £1million from National Lottery players.

This latest boost for Boston adds to the cumulative impact of HLF investment in the area.

Since 2013 Boston has been a priority development area for HLF and in that time 12 projects of all shapes and sizes have shared over £8million. In the last year alone, Boston has climbed 20 places up the RSA's Heritage Index, and is now one of only eight local authorities in the East Midlands to have received more than the national average of HLF investment per capita.

[quote=Jonathan Platt, Head of HLF East Midlands]"These latest grants are a fantastic demonstration of HLF's commitment to Boston's heritage, and a real indication of how far the town has come in the last five years."[/quote]

HLF-supported projects have created volunteering and training opportunities for many hundreds of local people. A project to restore the Grade I-listed St Peter and St Paul Church in Algarkirk alone created 320 formal training opportunities, and another, smaller project exploring the history of Wrangle village recruited over 250 volunteers.

## **Boston Townscape Heritage**

Boston Borough Council has been awarded £996,000 towards the Boston Townscape Heritage award. Working together with Heritage Lincolnshire, this project will provide opportunities to significantly enhance the eastern area of the town's historic market place for the benefit of local businesses, the local community and visitors to the town.

## **Boston Resilient Heritage**

Boston Heritage Forum have received just under £10,000 for a project to strengthen governance, provide expert advice on an appropriate group structure and constitution, and consultation on which heritage projects in Boston they want to prioritise taking forward in the next three years.

## **Boston Sessions House**

Heritage Lincolnshire have received £10,000, for a project to explore new and viable uses for the Boston Sessions House, a Grade II\* building in Boston's Market Place.

## **Further information**

Boston is still a priority for funding, and HLF are constantly on the lookout for innovative and exciting new heritage projects. If you have a project idea, [get in touch with our team](#) to discuss it.



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## Heritage at the heart of regeneration in Boston