

# £15million to help put Hull back at the helm

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The Arctic Corsair, one of two historic vessels in Hull set to be conserved Hull City Council will use a £15million National Lottery grant to help secure Hull's future as a major UK tourist destination.

Building on its success as [UK City of Culture 2017](#), this historic maritime city will celebrate its heritage by developing three important sites:

- the Maritime Museum
- the Dock Office Chambers and the North End Shipyard
- two historic vessels, the Arctic Corsair and Spurn Lightship

Councillor Stephen Brady, Leader of Hull City Council, said: "Today's announcement is a huge vote of confidence in our city and another major step towards achieving one of the key ambitions of our City Plan to make Hull a world-class visitor destination. My heartfelt thanks go to National Lottery players – it couldn't have happened without them."

## Seven-year visionary project

Following on from its ongoing £100m investment in the city's cultural and visitor infrastructure, Hull City Council will provide a further £12.5m towards the seven-year project from its capital

programme.

## **Taking pride in Hull's maritime history**

The wider plan to regenerate Hull will look back to Hull's history as a trading and fishing port and then take the story onwards to the present and the future. At least 20 new jobs will be created along with increased visitor numbers and a volunteer programme to raise awareness and pride in Hull's maritime history.

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Ros Kerslake, HLF Chief Executive , said: "With a greater understanding of the wider Hull story we hope local people will feel proud of their great city's past and optimistic about its resurgence moving forwards."

## **Redevelopment and conservation plans**

Plans include: the redevelopment of Hull Maritime Museum; the conversion of the Dock Office Chambers into a new home for the maritime collection; full conservation and relocation of the Arctic Corsair and Spurn Lightship will undergo full conservation before being relocated; the building of a visitor orientation centre at the North End Shipyard on Dock Office Row.

John Glen, Minister for Arts, Heritage and Tourism, said: "This £15m investment will help Hull build an enduring legacy from its fantastic year as UK City of Culture, as I was able to observe first hand on my visit to the city last week."

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