

Summary report of the Committee for London held on Wednesday 30 November at 10:00 a.m. in the 3rd floor Boardroom, London

Members:

- Blondel Cluff (Chair)
- Jenny Cousins
- Sandie Dawe
- Rachel Hasted
- Jonathan Sheaff
- Jennifer Ullman

Apologies:

- Hilary Carty

Attending:

- Russell Darbon (Big Lottery Fund; items 20-21)

Committee Business

1. Chair's Report

Oral

The Chair

- welcomed Ros Kerslake, Chief Executive to the meeting and Thomas Brown, newly appointed Team assistant
- on behalf of the Committee, bade a belated fond farewell to Fi Stephens who had left HLF for a new life in Spain.
- thanked Kaylie Wetherington for organising the committee event at the Battersea Arts Centre
- reported that Baroness Kay Andrews had sent apologies but hoped to join committee at a future meeting
- said that that Russell Darbon would be joining committee for lunch and to discuss the Parks for People Committee application
- noted that London applications had received major success at the September Board for National Heritage Memorial Fund: National Army Museum award of £35,000 towards the acquisition of T.E. Lawrence's robes and British Museum awarded £90,000 towards the Acquisition of an Alabaster Sculpture of the Virgin and Child
- and for Heritage Lottery Fund applications: The October Board had rejected all three first round London applications in a *highly* competitive batch : Hainault Ancient Forest; The Museum of Migration and Bevis Marks: Britain's Most significant Synagogue
- Science Museum had received an award of £7,600,000 (36%) towards the Medicine Galleries;
- Royal Air Force Museum had received an award of £4,595,600 (30%) for the RAF Centenary Programme - Phase 2a: The First 100 Years;
- Royal College of Music had received an award of £3,634,400 (74%) to deliver the More Music: Re-imagining the Royal College of Music Museum; and
- National Gallery had received an award of £4,000,000 (13%) towards the acquisition of Pontormo's 'Portrait of a Young Man in a Red Cap'; Committee noted all funding was in place. Negotiations were underway with the owner
- Phoenix Community Housing had received an award of £4,070,400 (86%) towards delivering the Heritage Enterprise Fellowship Inn.
- Thanked committee for representing HLF at project launches and events

- Commented that she had been approached directly by sources wishing to enquire about applications to HLF and reminded committee to direct any such enquiries to Officers
- had supported HLF at a parliamentary reception to celebrate Lottery funding. Heritage projects in attendance included Guy Fawkes' lamp on loan from the Ashmolean and a display of Punk London from the Museum of London.
- Reported on a successful tour of the Regent Street Cinema with the Rt Hon Mark Field MP for City of London and Westminster and on a meeting with the Deputy Governor for The Pitcairn Islands the last islands of the British Overseas Territory in the Pacific. He had commented on the significance of the Endeavour Galleries project at the Royal Museums Greenwich. The project would create four permanent galleries including The Pacific Encounters Gallery.

2. Minutes from the meeting on 14 September 2016

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The minutes were approved and signed as a true and correct record.

3. Matters arising from the minutes

Oral

There were no matters arising that had not been discussed.

4. London Overview Report

CL 2016 (4) 4

Stuart Hopley, Head of London, introduced the report and drew attention to

London Borough of Culture: As part of the new Mayor's commitment to heritage, arts and culture, he had announced an umbrella programme entitled London Borough of Culture. The vision was to create a year of cultural celebration. Officers would update committee on progress.

Topical cases: Committee noted the projects which had attracted vocal opposition including social media. Some staff and Committee members had been targeted through twitter. If Members were tweeted or contacted by projects, officers advised Members to not engage and to direct anyone to the team.

Enquiries: Selina Papa, Development Manager provided a brief update. The last quarter had been comparatively busy for the development team. The launch of two new programmes Resilient Heritage and Skills for the Future had generated more enquiries than usual. Officers were continuing to work with Priority Development Areas and priority groups.

Inflation: Costs relating to inflation could vary greatly. There was considerable uncertainty and disagreement over likely changes in inflation amongst commentators.

5. London Budget

CL 2016 (4) 5

Simon Spoglianti, Casework Manager, introduced the paper that set the context for the Committee's decision taking for the 2016 - 2017 financial year. The Heritage Grant and Heritage Enterprise up to £2million budget for the year in London was £12,300,000.

The Committee noted that for this meeting the:

- indicative first round pass budget was £3,264,100. The total grant request was £4,494,800
- pipeline for the March 2017 meeting was £5,498,500. There were five applications but no indication of quality as yet.

Committee noted the requirements of first and second round applications which were attached to the budget paper.

6. Declarations of Interest

Oral

Jon Sheaff has declared a

- Connection for Connecting the Catchment (item 8) his consultancy had met the applicant Thames 21, to discuss work in river catchments in other areas of London. Committee noted the connection.
- conflict of interest in item 22. Hainault Forest .His consultancy prepared the bid and an interest in and will have to leave the room for this item.

Hilary Carty, prior to the meeting had made a declaration for:

- item 12 Restoration of Father Willis Organ; She had a current contract for Services with Kings College London, the applicant organisation, but had no connection with the application.

SF4 first round applications for discussion and decision: Grants for Places of Worship

7. Grants for Places of Worship Applications

CL 2016 (4) 7

Lesley McCarthy, Senior Grants officer presented the paper.

In London, 5 first round applications with a grant request of £1,249,900 had been received against a regional budget of £544,650.

South Street Baptist Church did not go forward to the initial sift as the church was locally listed and not deemed to have sufficient heritage merit to be a priority within the batch. All Saints, Notting Hill did not pass to full assessment on the basis that it was a lower level of urgency.

Committee for London rejected the applications.

Committee considered:

- GP-16-02750 St James, Bermondsey
- GP-16-00658 St Leonard's Church, Streatham
- GP-15-06116 St Peter and St Pauls, Chingford

After consideration it was agreed that St Peter and St Pauls, Chingford, was not supported due to insufficient funds and due to a marginally lower level of urgency within the context of the batch, in line with officer recommendation.

Committee for London agreed to:

- award a first round pass with development grants to St James and St Leonard's and to
- reject St Peter and St Pauls but noting the significance of the church, requested that Officers encourage the PCC to reapply.

Item	Project title	Applicant/Reference	Decision
7a.	Fabric Repairs and Enhanced Community Engagement with the Heritage of St James Church Bermondsey	The Parochial Church Council of Bermondsey St James with Christ Church and St Crispin/ GP-16-02750	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £267,900 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £35,200 (73% OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)
7b.	St Leonard's Streatham: Roof renewal (south slope) and redevelopment of internal facilities	St Leonard's Church, Streatham/ GP-16- 00658	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £250,000 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £28,400 (61%OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)
7c.	Repairing, Restoring and Re-ordering our Grade II* Listed Church - Phase A	St Peter and St Paul Parish of Chingford/ GP-15-06116	REJECT
7d.	Roof repair project, improved access and accessible toilet to a grade II* listed church	Parochial Church Council All Saints Notting Hill/ GP-16-00550	REJECT
7e.	SSBC Action Center in West Greenwich, London	South Street Baptist Church/ GP-16-03295	REJECT

SF4 first round applications for discussion and decision: Heritage Grants

8. Connecting the Catchment; HG-16-01498

CL 2016 (4) 8

Applicant: Thames21

Request: First Round Pass of £302,700, including Development Grant of £46,300

Project: To engage local communities with the Ravensbourne River Catchment through outreach events, education workshops and volunteering activities. The three-year project would build on existing partnerships with local authorities (LB Lewisham, LB Bromley, LB Greenwich, LB Croydon), NGOs (Quaggy Waterways Action Group, London Wildlife Trust, and Creekside Education Trust) and Government departments who all contributed to the 2015 Ravensbourne Catchment Improvement Plan. These partners would work with Thames21 in strategic restoration and habitat management activities aimed at volunteers.

The Committee agreed the application represented a low priority for support. The application was REJECTED in light of the concerns raised.

9. St Peter's: A Unique Forest Church; HG-16-03855

CL 2016 (4) 9

Applicant: Parish Church of St Peter in the Forest

Request: First Round Pass of £1,487,500, including Development Grant of £117,500

Project: To repair and renovate the Grade II listed church, removing the structurally unsound 1950s extension and replacing it with a glazed block with new facilities. Works included the provision of a first floor external roof terrace containing an enclosed art terrace/reflection pod/viewpoint to Epping Forest (EP).

The Committee agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £1,487,500 including development grant of £117,500, 80% of eligible development costs.

10. From coal drop to coal tit - Camley Street Natural Park; HG-16-02316

CL 2016 (4) 10

Applicant: London Wildlife Trust

Request: First Round Pass of £1,025,300, including Development Grant of £77,300

Project: 3-year project to redevelop Camley Street Natural Park (CSNP) into an ecological knowledge hub providing a new learning centre, an education studio and multi-functional learning space, small café and volunteer area, office space and high quality access and welfare facilities for disabled people.

The Committee agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £1,025,300 including a development grant of £77,300, 64% of eligible development costs.

11. Leyton Sports Ground Heritage Project; HG-16-01087

CL 2016 (4) 11

Applicant: London Borough of Waltham Forest

Request: First Round Pass of £1,486,800, including Development Grant of £267,100

Project: To restore and rejuvenate the Grade-II Cricket Pavilion and Boxing Gym on Leyton Sports Ground. To provide community engagement and heritage activities. This 4-year project was the first of three phases planned by the applicant to create a health and wellbeing campus on the site.

The Committee agreed the application represented a medium priority for support. The project was **REJECTED** in light of the concerns raised.

12. Restoration of the Father Willis Organ in the King's College London Chapel; HG-16-03813

CL 2016 (4) 12

Applicant: King's College London

Request: Reject

Project: To refurbish the tonal scheme of the original Father Willis organ and reuse the Willis pipes wherever possible. The original organ case would be cleaned and repaired where necessary. School classes would visit the London workshop and witness the process of organ building. An educational programme would be developed.

The Committee agreed the application should be **REJECTED** in light of the concerns raised.

13. Prioritisation and feedback for first round items

Oral

Committee agreed to reject the restoration of the Father William Organ in the King's College London Chapel (item 12) in the case by case discussion. Committee noted the priorities assigned to the remaining projects were:

St Peter's: A Unique Forest Church (item 9)
From Coal drop to Coal Tit (item 10)

High Priority
High Priority

Leyton Sports Ground Heritage Project (item 11)
Connecting the Catchment (item 8)

Medium priority
Low Priority

Committee agreed to support the two high priority schemes.

SP3 grant increase Second round applications for discussion and decision: Heritage Grants

14. Know Our Place: Sharing and Saving Whitehall; HG-12-10896

CL 2016 (4) 14

The second round grants paper was tabled for information and a revised grant request.

Grantee: London Borough of Sutton

Request: Award revised grant increase of £367,000 to make a total grant of £1,889,300

Project: to preserve and enhance the Grade II* listed Whitehall Museum and to build a community network focused on the house, enabling local people to share in and learn about its heritage and the history of Cheam. Capital works would include: improvements to physical access, visitor facilities and the garden. In addition, interpretation would be improved, a 'pop-up' exhibition created and the museum's collections would be catalogued and digitised. An associated programme of learning and participation opportunities aimed at widening audiences would be delivered. Committee had awarded a grant of £1,522,300 in June 2015.

Committee **AWARDED** a grant increase of £367,000 to make a total grant of £1,889,300.

SF4 second round applications for discussion and decision: Heritage Grants

15. Discovering the Bishop of London's Palace at Fulham; HG-14-07024

CL 2016 (4) 15

Grantee: Fulham Palace Trust and LB Hammersmith and Fulham

Request: Award Grant of £1,880,300 (51%)

Project: To restore an area of the Grade I listed and scheduled building and Grade II* listed gardens. Public access will be provided to the Tudor Quadrangle, new exhibition spaces will be created, the path network improved and site-wide interpretation provided. The Committee had awarded a grant of £1,980,800 including a development grant of £119,700 (41% of eligible development costs) in March 2015.

Uplift: £19,200 (1%) Whilst there had been a reduction in costs for some external elements and inflation, there had been an increase in costs associated with exhibition and interpretation and there had been an increase in volunteer time.

Committee **AWARDED** a grant of £1,880,300 (51% of eligible delivery costs).

16. Caledonian Park Clock Tower and Heritage Centre; HG-13-03232

CL 2016 (4) 16

Grantee: London Borough of Islington (LBI), Greenspace

Request: Award Grant of £1,873,300 (64%)

Project: Repair and conserve the Clock Tower, provide improved access to the Clock Tower, construct a new heritage centre, provide interpretation and deliver an activity programme.

Committee had awarded a first round pass of £1,999,500 including a development grant of £126,600, 78% of eligible development costs in September 2013. Committee had deferred this application in June 2016 pending the provision of further details.

Uplift: £400.

Committee **AWARDED** a grant of £1,873,300 (64% of eligible delivery costs).

17. The RAF Centenary Programme - Phase 2b: Historic Hendon; HG-15-01185

CL 2016 (4) 17

Grantee: Royal Air Force Museum

Request: Award Grant of £1,827,400 (71%)

Project: The 'RAF Centenary Programme' would tell the story of 'Historic Hendon', the aviation and industrial heritage of its London site and the surrounding area. This was the second phase of the Museum's plan to commemorate the RAF's centenary in 2018 and part of a Masterplan of improvements to transform their London site. Committee had awarded a first round pass of £1,783,700, including development grant of £167,800 (59% of total eligible development costs).

Uplift: £211,500 (13 %) the overall cost increase was due to enhanced capital proposals, an increased outreach/activity programme and movement of costs associated with design and interpretation from the development to the delivery phase.

Committee **AWARDED** a grant of £1,827,400, 71% of eligible delivery costs.

18. Hogarth's Mulberry Garden Project; HG-13-11312

CL 2016 (4) 18

Grantee: London Borough of Hounslow (LBH)

Request: Award Grant of £1,350,000 (68%)

Project: To build a new learning centre adjacent to the Grade I listed Hogarth House, remodel the historic garden, and provide a targeted activity and skills programme inspired by the history of Hogarth, his family, art and garden. The new Learning Centre would be attached to Hogarth House via a glazed walkway containing the new accessible entrance and a secondary entrance hall to accommodate large groups. Committee had awarded a first round pass of £1,129,200 including a development grant of £89,800 (76% of total eligible development costs) in March 2015.

Uplift: £310,600 (30 %); costs had increased during development following more detailed design plans and surveys including archeological surveys adjusting the garden design.

The Committee **AWARDED** a grant of £1,350,000, 68% of total eligible delivery costs.

19. Land of the Fanns Landscape Partnership; LP-14-01709

CL 2016 (4) 19

Grantee: London Borough of Havering

Request: Award Grant of £1,359,700 (56%)

Project: The scheme provided a structured approach to engaging the local population of 650,000 people in an appreciation of the Land of the Fanns, on the borders of London and Essex. The area had established dense urban areas lying next to valuable fragments of historic landscapes and high quality natural habitats. At its heart was the Thames Chase Community Forest, but this also included additional areas of wetland and wet grassland. 'Fann' was a Saxon word for fen; the area

was particularly rich in Saxon history. Committee had awarded a first round pass of £1,454,500 including a development grant of £94,800, 69% of total eligible development costs, in October 2014.

Committee **AWARDED** a grant of £1,359,700, 56% of eligible delivery costs.

SF4 second round Board applications for discussion and recommendation: Parks for People (December Board)

The Chair welcomed Russell Darbon to the Committee for London meeting. On behalf of the Committee, she thanked him for his support over the years to the Parks for People Programme and bid him a sad farewell.

20. Parks for People Overview

CL 2016 (4) 20

Simona Spoglianti, Casework Manager, presented the overview paper. There were no first round applications from London with the current batch of applications for decision by the Joint Big Lottery Fund, England Parks for People Committee and HLF Board in December. London had one second round application. There were a total of six second round applications in England.

Committee discussed the following applications. Their views were reported to the Board.

21. Beckenham Place Park Restoration; PP-13-01376

CL 2016 (4) 21

Grantee: London Borough of Lewisham

Request: Award Grant of £4,729,400 (57%)

Project: To restore and transform the landscape of 98 hectare Beckenham Place Park, in London Borough of Lewisham, into a thriving community asset for a diverse audience with a range of new visitor and volunteer facilities. The HLF Board and BIG England Parks for People Committee had awarded a first round pass of £4,908,400 including development grant of £270,500 (71% of total eligible development costs), with a development grant split of (HLF £180,333; 66.66%) (BIG £90,167; 33.33%) in June 2014.

Uplift: £91,500 (2%) Costs have risen significantly from £5.9m to £8.3m following detailed surveys during development and from consultation outcomes. The grant intervention rate for the delivery phase had reduced from 77% to 57%.

Expert advice: Supportive

SF4 second round Board applications for discussion and recommendation: Heritage Grants

22. Hainault Ancient Forest; HG-16-04728

CL 2016 (4) 22

Applicant: London Borough of Redbridge

Request: First Round Pass of £4,466,400, including Development Grant of £218,800

Project: The restoration and enhancement of Hainault Ancient Forest Capital, to include capital works to the SSSI, landscape and buildings. Also the delivery of a programme of activities around training, work-experience, skills, volunteering and learning together with activities aimed to create

a centre of excellence for volunteering and work experience as pathways to employment. Re-focusing the farm offer to connect it thematically to the SSSI and enhance the visitor offer. Enhanced facilities will be provided.

Papers for discussion

23. Corporate Update

CL 2016 (4) 23

Sue Bowers, Deputy Director of Operations introduced the update.

2017-18 Programme Budgets: In light of the downturn in lottery income, Officers were working with Trustees to explore options around the budgets and hoped to make decisions at the December Board.

Papers for information

24. Communications Report

CL 2016 (4) 24

Committee noted the report.

Felix Gott, Communications Manager, drew attention to some highlights during the past quarter including the

- The successful opening of the Heath Robinson Museum which had been covered widely, with a short film on BBC Breakfast, and in the Guardian and a range of press
- The latest exhibition at the Museum of London as part of the Punk London project had opened at the beginning of October. A piece discussing Joe Corr 's plan to burn his memorabilia appeared in the Industry London website, referencing HLF's funding, and the Punk Waltham Forest project at Vestry House being covered in the East London Guardian
- public opening of Design Museum, London where HLF had provided grant support

Felix Gott, invited committee for feedback about the layout and content of the communications report. Committee requested quotes in future reports.

25. Townscape Heritage Overview

CL 2016 (4) 25

Committee noted the overview.

26. Annual Report of the Equality Steering Group

CL 2016 (4) 26

Committee noted the report.

27. Overview of Single Round Grants and Delegated Decision Making

CL 2016 (4) 27

Committee noted the overview.

Committee welcomed the flexibility to use the FWW budget to fund Our Heritage projects which had connections to FWW.

28. Regional and Country Chairs minutes of 11 October meeting

CL 2016 (4) 28

Committee noted the minutes.

The Chair commented that this had been a very productive meeting with robust discussion.

The next meeting will be held on 7 March 2017.