

# Heritage Lottery Fund: Committee for the South East of England

## Meeting on 7 June 2017

CSEE 2017 (2)

**Summary report of the meeting of the Committee for the South East England held on 7 June 2017 at 9.30 a.m. at the 7 Holbein Place, London, SW1W 8NR**

### Members:

- Maria Adebawale-Schwarte (Chair)
- Andrew Blessley
- Bill Ferris
- Helen Jackson
- Susan McCormack

### Apologies:

- Perdita Hunt

#### 1. Welcomes

Oral

The Chair welcomed staff from the Big Lottery Fund who was attending for the Parks for People items

### SF4 First round Board case papers for discussion and recommendation: Parks for People

#### 2. Parks for People Overview

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The Committee noted the overview.

#### 3. Victoria Park & Watercress Fields; PP-16-08463

CSEE 2017 (2) 3

Applicant: Ashford Borough Council

Request: First round pass of £3,207,200 including development grant of £167,300 (77% of total eligible development costs)

Project: To restore a large underused park in Ashford located in an area with surrounding wards of high deprivation. The project would improve facilities and access to the park and deliver a range of volunteering and community focused activities. Biodiversity would be improved and the Grade II\* Hubert Fountain restored alongside the surrounding piazza to create a public space for the local community.

The Committee for South East England and Big Lottery Fund recommended the project to the Board

### SF4 second round Board case papers for discussion and recommendation: Parks for People

#### **4. Staunton- a Regency landscape revealed; PP-15-00167**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 4**

Applicant: Countryside Service – Hampshire County Council

Request: Award Grant of £2,851,000 (73%)

Project: To expand the use of the Grade II\* listed Staunton Park landscape and develop engagement with the neighbouring Leigh Park housing estate. The landscape and historic structures would be restored and interpreted and visitor facilities would be improved. Existing volunteering and training opportunities would be extended and facilities for adults with learning disabilities would be improved.

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### **Corporate Items**

#### **5. Chair's Report**

**Oral**

The Chair reported back on their activities since the last meeting.

#### **6. Declarations of Interest**

**Oral**

Bill Ferris declared an interest in item 15. Diving Deep as he was Chief Executive of Chatham Historic Dockyard which was named in the application as a location for an exhibition and project activities.

Susan McCormack declared an interest in item 20 *Samuel Palmer's Earthly Paradise* as she was the Director of Public Engagement at the Ashmolean Museum who were a partner in the project.

Helen Jackson declared an interest in item 21 *Hampshire Flagship Galleries Network* as she was a Trustee for the applicant Hampshire Cultural Trust.

#### **7. Minutes of the meeting on 1 March 2017**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 7**

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record of the previous meeting.

#### **8. Matters arising from the minutes**

**Oral**

There were none.

#### **9. Regional Overview**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 9**

Stuart McLeod presented the overview.

The Committee noted the overview.

#### **10. South East Operating Plan for 2017-18**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 10**

The Committee noted the paper.

#### **11. South East Annual Review of 2016**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 11**

The Committee noted the paper.

## 12. Budget paper

**CSEE 2017 (2) 12**

Lucy Perry presented the budget paper.

At this meeting, there are four HG and HE first round cases. The projects total £4,398,300 against a budget of £2,400,000 giving a success rate of 55%.

There were four first round applications recommended for award, with a total first round pass request of £4,398,300, against a suggested budget of £2,400,000 for the meeting, based on an equal division of the budget between the four meetings whilst allowing for quarterly adjustments in response to demand.

The Committee noted that the grants budget was sufficient to fund 2 second round applications if they were satisfied that the quality threshold had been met.

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

## 13. GPOW Overview and Applications

**CSEE 2017 (2) 13**

The Committee took the following decisions:

Item	Project Title	Applicant	Decision
13a.	Securing the Fabric and Future of St Mary's Church, Brighton	PCC of St Mary and St James Church Brighton	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £255,900 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £23,700 (37% OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)
13b.	Structural repairs and improvements to Bramdean church and improving understanding of its heritage	St Simon and St Jude, Bramdean PCC	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £132,500 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £16,500 (64% OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)
13c.	Significant repairs to the Ancient Church building and providing toilet facilities for the community	St Mary Magdalene	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £180,400 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £25,900 (77% OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)
13d.	A Comprehensive Repair to the Belfry, Fabric and Stained Glass of St Peter's Church, Folkestone	The Church of St Peter, Folkestone	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £251,800 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £16,400 (59% OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)
13e.	St Dunstan's Frinsted Tower Roof Repairs	Frinsted Parochial Church Council	REJECT
13f.	Retiling and Insulating the nave roof of a Grade 1 listed parish church	Pagham PCC	REJECT

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13g.	St James in the Community	PCC St James, Leckhampstead	REJECT
13h.	Restoration of north and south aisle roofs, and replacement of antiquated church lighting	St Paul's Church Wokingham	REJECT
13i.	Repairs to tower and spire of St Lawrence Church, Chobham, badly damaged by water ingress	Parochial Church Council of St Lawrence, Chobham with St Saviour, Valley End	REJECT
13j.	St Michael's Tower, Spire and Bells Renewal	St Micahel's Church, Camberley	REJECT
13k.	St Gregory's Development Fund	PCC, Parish of Welford with Wickham	REJECT
13l.	St Faith's Church repair and restoration project	St Faith's Church, Lee-on-the-Solent	REJECT
13m.	Restoration, Heritage Investigation and Community Improvement Project	St Andrew's Church Shrivenham	REJECT
13n.	Re-roofing and repairs to Holy Trinity Grade 2 listed church	Bracknell Team Ministry	REJECT
13o.	Renovations to Hook Norton Baptist Chapel	Hook Norton Baptist Church	REJECT
13p.	Installation of a new kitchen and library	St John Baptist Church, Wittersham, Kent	REJECT

## SF4 first round applications for discussion and decision: Heritage Grants and Heritage Endowments

### 14. Brock Keep- A Roof with a View; HG-13-20779

CSEE 2017 (2) 14

Applicant: Open Hand Open Space

Project: For urgent repairs to the Grade II listed Brock Keep. Capital works would focus on improving the building's condition and increasing public access to new areas. Alongside capital works there would be a range of activities including 18 community workshops, 3 exhibitions, an oral history research and 2 work experience projects.

The Committee for South East England considered the project a **HIGH PRIORITY** for support and awarded a first round pass of £406,300 including development grant of £16,700 (41% of total eligible development costs)

### **15. Diving Deep- The HMS Invincible 1744 Project; HG-14-09064**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 15**

*Bill Ferris left the room for this item.*

Applicant: Maritime Archaeology Sea Trust

Project: A partnership with the National Museum of the Royal Navy and Chatham Historic Dockyard on a three year project to archaeologically excavate, record, conserve and display the remains of the shipwreck HMS Invincible, wrecked in 1758 in the Solent. The project would have a range of activities in three locations, digital outputs, volunteering programme, engagement programmes and a travelling exhibition.

The Committee for South East England considered the project a **HIGH PRIORITY** for support and awarded a first round pass of £442,300 including development grant of £16,400 (62% of total eligible development costs)

### **16. Trinity: The Next Stage for Heritage; HG-15-00515**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 16**

Applicant: Trinity Theatre & Arts Centre

Request: First round pass of £1,805,100 including a development grant of £178,000 (76% of total eligible development costs)

Project: To repair and improve facilities at Trinity Theatre, Tunbridge Wells, which is situated in a Grade II\* listed, former place of worship. The project would involve repair and conservation works, opening the Clock Tower, improving facilities such as the gallery space and a range of complimentary activities.

The Committee for South East England considered that the project a low priority for support and **REJECTED** the application due to the concerns raised.

### **17. The redevelopment and refurbishment of Horton Chapel into an arts and heritage centre; HE-16-08534**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 17**

Applicant: Horton Chapel Arts & Heritage Society

Project: The restoration and reuse of the deteriorating Grade II listed Horton Chapel in Epsom, Surrey. Repair and redevelopment work would be undertaken to transform the site into a multi-use community space with a continuing heritage focus and several commercial income streams. Activities would include talks, oral histories, temporary exhibitions, schools visits, a volunteer training programme and paid training placements for local residents in heritage construction and restoration.

The Committee for South East England considered the project a **HIGH PRIORITY** for support and awarded a first round pass of £1,744,600 including development grant of £300,900 (63% of total eligible development costs)

### **18. Prioritisation of first round items**

*Bill Ferris left the room for this item.*

The Committee considered items 14. Brock Keep, 15. Diving Deep and 17. Horton Chapel high priorities for support and awarded a first round pass.

The Committee rejected item 16. Trinity: The Next Stage for Heritage

## **SF4 second round applications for discussion and decision: Heritage Grants**

### **19. Making a Buzz for the Coast; HG-13-20317**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 19**

Grantee: Bumblebee Conservation Trust

Request: £965,300 (70%)

Uplift: N/A

First round pass: A first round pass of £1,139,800 including a development grant of £112,600, (85% of total eligible development costs) was awarded by the Committee in March 2015.

Project: Deliver a three year project which aimed to make a significant difference to vital bee populations, delivering elements of the recently published National Pollinator Strategy (NPS) in a key target area. The project would improve habitats for pollinators, collect data needed to develop the NPS and to secure large-scale public engagement in order to raise awareness and create sustainable outcomes.

Members were updated that since the paper was sent to the Committee for consideration £75k of match funding had been secured.

The Committee for South East England **AWARDED** a grant of £965,300 (70%)

## **SF4 second round applications for discussion and decision: Landscape Partnerships**

### **20. Samuel Palmer's Earthly Paradise- the Darent Valley Landscape Partnership; LP-14-01990**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 20**

*Susan McCormack left the room for this item*

Grantee: Kent Downs AONB Unit

Request: 2,109,000 (53%)

Uplift: N/A

First round pass: £2,232,500, including a development grant of £123,500 (72% of total eligible development costs) was award at the Board meeting in October 2014

Project: Kent Downs Area of Outstanding National Beauty (AONB) Unit sought funding for a 133km<sup>2</sup> scheme located along the course of the River Darent. The area encompassed a number of different natural habitats, including woodland, chalk grassland, heaths and wetlands as well as significant built heritage. The natural habitats were under threat from urban expansion, visitor pressure in 'honeypot' areas and environmental crime. The scheme would engage local residents with their heritage and improve understanding and appreciation of the landscape. Built heritage would be conserved.

The Committee for South East England **AWARDED** a grant of £2,109,000 (53%)

## **SF4 first round Board applications for discussion and recommendation: Heritage Grants and Heritage Endowments (June Board)**

### **21. Hampshire Flagship Galleries Network; HG-16-03181**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 21**

*Helen Jackson left the room for this item*

Applicant: Hampshire Cultural Trust

Request: First round pass of £4,940,200 including a development grant of £430,600 (49% of total eligible development costs)

Project: To transform the artistic and cultural heritage offer across Hampshire. This partnership project would create a network of Flagship Galleries across the county; Southampton City Art Gallery; the Old Grammar School, Gosport; The Willis Museum, Basingstoke; St Barbe Museum, Lymington, and the Gallery at Winchester Discovery Centre. There would be capital works for three of the museums alongside a range of activities designed to widen access to art and heritage collections for marginalised groups.

The Committee for South East England recommended the project to the Board.

### **22. LCT 7074: Resurrecting a D-Day Hero; HG-16-03403**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 22**

Applicant: National Museum of the Royal Navy

Request: First round pass of £4,794,400 including a development grant of £307,500 (79% of total eligible development costs)

Project: Proposes an outdoor presentation of LCT 7074, the only surviving Landing Craft (Tank) from D-Day, close to the D-Day Museum, strengthening the heritage offer in Southsea. This 2 year scheme encompasses conservation and capital works alongside an extensive activity plan. A community and participation officer and Project Manager would also be hired to undertake these proposals.

The Committee for South East England recommended the project to the Board.

### **23. Prioritisation**

**Oral**

There was no need for prioritisation.

## **Papers for information**

### **24. Communications Report**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 24**

The Committee noted the report.

### **25. Corporate Update**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 25**

The Committee noted the update.

### **26. Minutes of the meeting of Regional and County Chairs on 9 May 2017**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 26**

The Committee noted the minutes

**27. Business Plan 2017-18**

**CSEE 2017 (2) 27**

The Committee noted the paper.

**28. Any other business**

**Oral**

There was none.

**The next meeting will be held on 5 September 2017**