

Heritage Lottery Fund Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber

Summary report of the meeting at 10am on Wednesday 9 September 2015 at the Leeds Office.

Members: Gary Verity (Chair)
Angela Dean (Trustee)
Sue Mendus
Keith Sweetmore
Cynthia Wainwright
John Williams
Selina Ullah

1. Chair's report **Oral**

The Committee noted the report.

2. Minutes of last meeting on 3 June 2015 **CYH 2015 (3) 2**

The minutes were agreed and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes **Oral**

There were no matters arising.

4. Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Overview **CYH 2015 (3) 4**

The Committee noted the report.

5. Yorkshire and the Humber Budget **CYH 2015 (3) 5**

Kathryn Frankish presented the budget paper. There were five first round Heritage Grants applications for decision, with a total first round pass request of £7,613,700, against an indicative budget of £2,666,667, meaning there was competition at first round.

There was also one second round Heritage Grants application and one second round Landscape Partnership application.

The Committee noted the budget paper.

6. Declarations of Interest **Oral**

There were none.

SF4 First round applications for discussion and decision

- **Heritage Grants**

7. Humber Bridge and Country Park Experience; HG-14-03201 **CYH 2015 (3) 7**

East Riding of Yorkshire Council sought a first round pass for the improvement of Humber Bridge Country Park and the restoration of Hessle Whiting Mill, a scheduled ancient monument and Grade

II listed building. Footpath and other access improvement works would make the park and mill more accessible and new interpretation and signage would be delivered. A programme of community engagement and learning activities would also be delivered.

The Committee agreed that the application represented a medium priority for support and awarded a first round pass of £760,000, including a development grant of £36,000 (80% of total eligible development costs).

**8. Ledston Hall public space creation, restoration and engagement;
HG-14-07906 CYH 2015 (3) 8**

The Wheler Foundation sought a first round pass of £1,730,300, including a development grant of £10,000 (17% of total eligible development costs) to undertake capital works at the Grade I listed Ledston Hall, located within a Grade II* registered historic park and gardens in Ledston, near Castleford. The principal rooms of most historic interest would be restored and made available for community, educational and commercial use. A number of items of art and furniture, originally displayed at the hall, would be returned for public viewing in these rooms. An activity programme would also be delivered.

Overall, the Committee agreed that the application represented a low priority for support and rejected it.

**9. Coalfield Conversations: Increasing Visitor Engagement through
Facilitated Surface Interpretation; HG-14-09364 CYH 2015 (3) 9**

National Coal Mining Museum for England sought a first round pass to overhaul the visitor offer on the site's surface, to match the quality and popularity of the underground offer. The project would provide new face-to-face interpretation, expand the volunteer programme, renew signage and interpretation, and reconfigure the visitor welcome area.

The Committee noted the unexpected resignation of the museum's director, which represented a material change to the circumstances of the application.

The Committee deferred the application.

**10. York Guildhall and Riverside - Telling York's Story from its very heart;
HG-15-00467 CYH 2015 (3) 10**

City of York Council sought a first round pass £1,687,000, including development grant of £56,000 (24% of total eligible development costs) to open up the Grade I listed York Guildhall as a heritage visitor attraction, following the Council's move to new offices. The building would be conserved and opened up to the public to a greater extent than ever before. The heritage centre would tell the story of the City of York and showcase its important archaeological and other historic artefacts. Flexible events space would also be developed in order to provide a sustainable future income stream. Volunteering and education facilities would also be delivered.

The Committee rejected the application.

**11. Stories and Treasures of Street and Dale: Transforming Craven
Museum & Gallery; HG-15-00517 CYH 2015 (3) 11**

Craven Museum and Gallery sought a first round pass to reconfigure, re-interpret and enliven the visitor offer at the museum. Capital works would reconfigure two floors of Skipton Town Hall to deliver a refurbished museum, improved visitor facilities, temporary exhibition space and collections storage space. The Tourist Information Centre would also be relocated to the building's ground floor. The works would allow more of the museum's exceptional collection to be displayed,

and make it accessible to a larger number of visitors. An activity programme would also be delivered.

The Committee agreed that the application represented a high priority for support and awarded a first round pass of £1,599,500, including development funding of £98,000 (70% of total eligible development costs).

12. Prioritisation of first round items

Oral

With reference to the available budget and the anticipated pipeline for the next meeting, and having already agreed to reject item 10 (York Guildhall and Riverside) and defer item 9 (Coalfield Conversations), the Committee awarded first round passes to items 7 (Humber Bridge and Country Park Experience) and 11 (Craven Museum and Gallery). They then agreed to reject item 8 (Ledston Hall) which had been identified as a low priority for support.

SF4 Second round applications for discussion and decision

- **Heritage Grants**

13. The Living Heritage of the River Don; HG-12-10335

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The Don Catchment River Trust sought a grant to conserve the natural heritage of the River Don and engage and educate people with that heritage. Fish passes would be installed at weirs to allow salmon and other fish to return to the upper reaches of the river. A riverside trail would be created, which would feature interpretation to engage people with the rich natural and industrial heritage of the area. Volunteering and activities would also be delivered.

The Committee had awarded a first round pass of £1,272,000, including development funding of £81,500 in March 2014.

The Committee awarded a grant of £1,190,200 (84% of total eligible project costs).

- **Landscape Partnership**

14. Ingleborough Dales Landscape Partnership; LP-12-11401

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Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust sought a grant for a landscape partnership covering 128 km² of the Craven district of the Yorkshire Dales National Park. This landscape featured a variety of significant natural and human features, and was at risk of deterioration. A programme of training and volunteering opportunities would be delivered and both local people and visitors would be engaged in learning about and caring for the landscape.

The Board had awarded a first round pass of £2,111,000, including a development grant of £99,100 in October 2013.

The Committee awarded a grant of £2,018,800 (77% of total eligible project costs).

SF4 GPOW applications for decision

15. Grants for Places of Worship Applications

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With reference to the available budget, the Committee made the following decisions:

Item	Project title	Applicant	Decision	Ref
	• SF4 Grant Increase			

15a	Repointing Church Tower	St Mary the Virgin, Oxenhope	Award grant increase of £43,800 (55%) to make a total grant of £79,500 (48% of revised total project costs)	GP-13-06204
• SF4 First Round applications				
15b	Conserving the Spire over Woodhouse Hill, Huddersfield	Christ Church, Woodhouse, nr Huddersfield	First round pass of £199,800, including development grant of £21,200 (76% of total eligible development costs)	GP-15-01095
15c	Restoring and Revitalising St Wilfrid's Church Langton-on-Swale	St Wilfrid's Church	First round pass of £187,000, including development grant of £23,600 (74% of total eligible development costs)	GP-15-01337
15d	Tower and Spire Restoration Project	St Mary's Church, Sand Hutton, York	First round pass of £199,100, including development grant of £19,700 (79% of total eligible development costs)	GP-14-08170
15e	Repairs to Roof, Floor and Ceilings	Heptonstall Methodist Church, Hebden Bridge	First round pass of £103,600, including development grant of £13,000 (81% of total eligible development costs)	GP-15-01387
15f	Phase 2 External Repairs and Heritage Access Project	St Giles' Church, Pontefract	First round pass of £172,100, including development grant of £2,900 (65% of total eligible development costs)	GP-15-00250
15g	Tower and South Side Roof Repairs	Holy Trinity Church, Huddersfield	First round pass of £172,300, including development grant of £16,300 (81% of total eligible development costs)	GP-14-09645
15h	All Saints Winterton: the continuing story	All Saints Parish Church, Winterton	Reject	GP-15-01438
15i	Repairs to the Tower etc.	All Hallows Church, Almondbury	Reject	GP-15-00729
15j	Rotherham's Chapel on the Bridge: Conserving and Revealing a Rare Hidden Gem	Rotherham's Chapel on the Bridge	Reject	GP-15-01425
	St Nicolas Church Raise the Roof - Down with Umbrellas	St Nicolas Church, Ulceby, North Lincolnshire	Reject	GP-15-01295

Papers for Discussion

16. Mid-term review of SF4 and next steps in development of 'SF5' CYH 2015 (3) 16

Sue Bowers, Deputy Director of Operations introduced the item

Papers for Information

17. Communications Report CYH 2015 (3) 17

The Committee noted the report.

18. Corporate Update Oral

The Committee noted the report.

19. Landscape Partnership Overview CYH 2015 (3) 19

The Committee noted the report.

20. Any other business

Oral

There were no other items of business.

The next meeting will be held on 25 November 2015.