

# Heritage Lottery Fund Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber Meeting on 23 November 2017

CYH 2017 (4)

**Summary report of the meeting of the Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber held on 23 November 2017 at 11 a.m. at The Guildhall, Alfred Gelder Street, Hull, HU1 2AA.**

## **Members:**

- Ron Cooke (Chair)
- Tony Collins
- Angela Dean
- Sue Mendus
- Florence Spaven
- Keith Sweetmore
- Cynthia Wainwright
- John Williams

## **Apologies:**

- Tony Collins
- Christine Cooper (Big Lottery Fund representative)

## **SF4 First round Board applications for discussion: Parks for People**

### **1. Parks for People Overview**

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Committee noted the Overview.

Seven first-round applications had been submitted in England requesting a total of £20.60m. The first-round budget for parks this financial year was £25m in England (HLF £16.67m plus £8.33m from BLF) split between two meetings in June and December. There was an available budget of £17.86m. A Sub Committee of the Board would take decisions in December.

David Renwick, Head of Region, briefly drew attention to strategic funding initiatives outlined in the paper and the potential for a Future Parks pilot programme.

*Committee discussed the following application. Their views would be reported to the Parks for People Delegated Decision Panel.*

### **2. Connecting St George's Field with communities by enhancing its landscape and revealing its history; PP-16-07519**

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Applicant: University of Leeds

Request: First Round Pass of £3,123,200, including Development Grant of £388,600

Project: St George's Field is a 3.6 hectare green space on the University of Leeds campus. The project would conserve and restore heritage features on the small site and re-connect St George's Field with a range of audiences. Improvements to physical access included the establishment of new entrances and navigable paths. Environmental work would increase biodiversity with a wetland area and wildflower meadow. The central Chapel would become a venue for community engagement. A volunteer and training programme would provide opportunities for skills development.

## Reports

### 3. Chair's report

Oral

The Chair welcomed everyone to the Guildhall, Hull. On behalf of the committee, he thanked the team for organising the visit and especially the Hull City Council for hosting the committee and for their warm hospitality.

### 4. Minutes of last meeting on 7 September 2017

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The minutes were agreed by committee and signed by the Chair.

### 5. Matters arising from the Minutes

Oral

Item 1: David Renwick reported that committee would receive a list of ongoing projects in the near future with committee members linked to projects to provide consistency in engagement.

### 6. Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Overview

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David Renwick presented the Overview and drew attention to various meetings, engagements and regional activity including:

- various high level and stakeholder meetings with local authorities and partners organisations;
- project events and openings. He thanked committee members for attending and their support at these important opportunities to boost the profile of HLF and heritage;
- Board decisions: In September the University of Leeds had received a first round pass of £798,000, including development grant of £65,600, for 'Dialect and Heritage: The State of the Nation' cross territory project, which had received much media interest; however both Landscape Partnership schemes from the region had been rejected at the October Board;
- providing updates on discussions underway with projects facing challenges and issues;
- project achievements – Piece Hall Halifax was the joint winner of the best historic building restoration and the overall winner for the Heritage Angel Awards and Dearne Valley Landscape Partnership received a the National Biodiversity Award for recording and engaging young people;
- the huge success of the Yorkshire's Back Garden campaign, including the stronger partnership working it had achieved and evidenced at the recent stakeholder event; and
- the Rapid Rejection Process. This would assist with streamlining of processes as well as improving speed of decision making for applicants.

Budget Update: Sue Bowers, Deputy Director of Operations updated committee of recent discussions at the Board. Internally, officers were developing the Corporate Strategy and Funding Framework with plans to launch the latter in 2019.

## 7. Yorkshire and the Humber Budget

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David Renwick presented the budget for the November meeting.

The Annual budget for Yorkshire and the Humber for Heritage Grants and Heritage Enterprise was £5.9m.

There were five first round and one fast track application for decision with a total request of £2,228,300 against a revised lower budget of £1,357,000.

Committee would have to decide carefully which first round applications they wished to support.

For March 2018, applications had been received and requests totalled around £5m.

There were four supportable second-round applications. These were fundable providing the Committee considered that they met the quality threshold and delivered good value for money.

## 8. Declarations of Interest

Oral

Angela Dean reported a:

- declaration for Effective Collections Traineeship (item 13) York Museums Trust were one of the project partners. She had had no involvement with the project. Committee agreed this was not a conflict; and a
- conflict for 'More with More' (item 21) as a Trustee of the York Museums Trust, the applicant body.

## SP3 Grant increase for discussion and decision: Heritage Grants

### 9. All Saints: the story it tells of Winterton; HG-10-05338

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Grantee: Winterton PCC

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber awarded a grant of £748,100 (78% of eligible delivery costs) in 2013.

Request: 1. Change to Approved Purposes; and  
2. Award a grant increase of £247,900 to make a total grant of £996,000 (82% of total eligible delivery costs).

Project: To conserve the Grade I listed All Saints Church, provide enhanced interpretation and deliver a programme of heritage-based activities. The project would build on the church's existing learning and participation work with schools and would facilitate access to the archives and deliver informal learning and activity space

On balance, the Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber were supportive and

1. **AGREED** a change to approved purposes and
2. **AWARDED** a grant increase of £247,900 to make a total grant of £996,000 (82% of total eligible delivery costs).

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

### 10. The Haythornthwaites' Story - protection of the countryside in the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century and archive collection; HG-16-06060

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Applicant: CPRE Peak District and South Yorkshire/ Friends of the Peak District

Request: First Round Pass of £328,400, including Development Grant of £46,200

Project: To catalogue the Peak District and South Yorkshire Branch of Campaign to Protect Rural England's (CPRE) archive collection which incorporated social changes and campaigning by Gerald and Ethel Haythornthwaite in the early 20th century to secure the wild and cherished landscapes of Sheffield, the Peak District, South Yorkshire and West Riding of Yorkshire. An archivist would train and supervise volunteers to fully catalogue the collection and to research the archive. Interpretation in the form of temporary and permanent exhibitions, a pop-up archive, leaflets and a book would be delivered. The collections would be housed on one site at Sheffield City Archives and made publicly accessible.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a low priority for support. The application was **REJECTED** for the reasons stated.

### 11. Breaking the Silence: The Hidden History of the Deaf Community; HG-16-01402

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Applicant: Deafinitions

Request: First Round Pass of £373,400, including Development Grant of £39,700

Project: To bring the heritage of the Deaf community to light by creating a visual film that was fully accessible for Deaf people, their families, and those who worked with them, to instil a greater awareness and sense of pride in their identities. The project would engage wider audiences in the impact of banning the teaching of sign language at the Milan Congress in 1880. Deaf volunteers would be trained in researching techniques, creating historically accurate films, developing information packs, and then 'touring' across the country reaching thousands of deaf people and the wider population. The project would mainly be based in Barnsley.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application should be **REJECTED** for the reasons stated.

### 12. Safeguarding The Ropewalk and interpreting historic Barton upon Humber; HG-17-02718

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Applicant: Waterside Artists Co-operative (WAC)

Request: Award Grant of £182,200 (34%)

Project: To acquire The Ropewalk in Barton upon Humber, currently housed in a Grade II listed former ropery, and home to Ropewalk Arts Centre, the accredited Ropewalk Museum and the Ropery Hall venue.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a Grant of £182,200 (34% of eligible delivery costs).

### 13. Effective Collections Traineeship; HG-17-02887

CYH 2017 (4) 13

Applicant: Culture Syndicates CIC

Request: First Round Pass of £216,100, including Development Grant of £60,400

Project: To provide museum and collections traineeships at a local level for people who might otherwise have never considered a career in the sector. To develop collections management as well as organisational capacity and resilience. Develop a sustainable traineeship model as an affordable and practical support mechanism for museums in collections development.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application should be **REJECTED** for the reasons stated.

### 14. St Mary's Church, Beverley – 'Medieval Curious Carvings': Preserved and Interpreted; HG-17-02986

CYH 2017 (4) 14

Applicant: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary, Beverley

Request: First Round Pass of £460,000, including Development Grant of £38,600

Project: To repair and restore elements of the nave north clerestory, featuring Grade I listed St Mary's Church's extensive collection of medieval ceiling bosses. An activity programme would interpret and improve access to the bosses.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £460,000, including a development grant of £38,600 (50% of eligible development costs).

### 15. The Milton Rooms Renewed; HG-16-01430

CYH 2017 (4) 15

Applicant: The Milton Rooms

Request: First Round Pass of £668,100, including Development Grant of £60,500

Project: To renovate the Grade II listed Georgian Assembly Rooms situated within the Malton Town Centre Conservation Area, and improve access facilities. An activity programme will explore the building's community role since 1814.

Due to the concerns raised, the Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a low priority for support. The application was **REJECTED**.

### 16. Prioritisation of first round items

Oral

Committee had rejected Breaking the Silence (item 11), and Effective Collections Traineeship (item 13) had been rejected in the case by case discussions.

Committee considered that:

- Safeguarding the Ropewalk (item 12) and St Mary's Church, Beverley (item 14) were a high priority for support; and
- The Haythornwaites Story (item 10), The Milton's Rooms (item 15) were a low priority for support.

Committee agreed to support both high priority applications and to reject the low priority applications due to the concerns raised.

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

##### **17. Queer Stories (Yorkshire): LGBTQ+ Social History Project; HG-16-01665**

**CYH 2017 (4) 17**

Grantee: Yorkshire MESMAC

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber had awarded a first round pass of £390,400 including a development grant of £25,600 (95% of eligible development costs) in December 2016.

Request: Award Grant of £360,000 (95%)

Uplift: None

Project: To explore the heritage of LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer+) communities in West Yorkshire and to collect and interpret stories and archive material across West Yorkshire, exploring LGBTQ+ life and the struggle for equality.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber **AWARDED** a grant of £360,000 (95%).

##### **18. Walking through centuries with a Legless Knight. A history of Escrick's estate, church and community; HG-15-02893**

**CYH 2017 (4) 18**

Grantee: PCC of St Helen's Church, Escrick

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber awarded a first round pass of £527,100 including a development grant of £55,400 (86% of eligible development costs) in September 2016.

Request: Award Grant of £471,700 (78%)

Uplift: None

Project: To deliver a programme of capital works to the Grade II\* listed St Helen's Church in Escrick. Important monuments within the church will be restored. To improve access and facilities within the building. To secure this heritage and community asset for the long term.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber **AWARDED** a grant of £471,700 (78%)

##### **19. Stories and Treasures of Street and Dale: Transforming Craven Museum and Gallery; HG-15-00517**

**CYH 2017 (4) 19**

Grantee: Craven District Council

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber awarded a first round pass of £1,599,500 including a development grant of £98,000 (70% of eligible development costs) in September 2015.

Request: Award Grant of £1,500,700 (60%)

Uplift: None

Project: To reconfigure, re-interpret and enliven the visitor offer at Craven Museum and Gallery (CM&G) as part of a wider scheme to transform Skipton Town Hall (STH). 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. STH would be transformed into a sustainable cultural hub.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber **AWARDED** a grant of £1,500,700 (60%)

## **20. A Healthy Future for Thackray Medical Museum; HG-13-20806**

**CYH 2017 (4) 20**

Grantee: Thackray Museum

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber awarded a first round pass of £1,670,300 including a development grant of £154,600 (80% of eligible development costs) in March 2015.

Request: Award Grant of £1,515,700 (41%)

Uplift: None

Project: To update the Grade II listed Thackray Medical Museum, its exhibition displays and deliver a new activity programme. First floor galleries would be reinterpreted, presenting multi-voiced interpretation through co-creation projects and engaging visitors with the overarching theme of how medical innovation transformed people's lives. A three year programme of activity would engage existing audiences more deeply with the history of medicine and healthcare and introduce new perspectives into the Museum from different stakeholder groups.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber **AWARDED** a grant of £1,515,700 (41%).

*Committee discussed the following application. Their views would be reported to the Board.*

## **SF4 first round Board applications for discussion and recommendation: Heritage Grants**

### **21. More with Moore: 'A Reverie' Acquisition and Public Programme (*Fast-Track*); HG-17-02049**

**CYH 2017 (4) 21**

*Angela Dean left the room before discussion commenced.*

Applicant: York Museums Trust (YMT)

Request: Award Grant of £2,756,200 (76%)

Project: To acquire the painting 'A Reverie' by Albert Moore and present a programme of activities inspired by the painting to integrate into and enhance YMT's programme as part of the newly confirmed National Portfolio Organisation (NPO) status. The painting would be on permanent display at York Art Gallery. A part-time project co-ordinator would manage the planned activity programme and work alongside the curatorial and programming staff to ensure 'A Reverie' was fully integrated into YMT's collection and forward planning.

## 22. Grants for Places of Worship

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Kathryn Frankish, Casework Manager, presented the paper and recommendations.

Yorkshire and the Humber had an annual budget of £2million from an England-wide budget of £16.8m.

In the current batch for the region, initially 19 first round applications had been received with a grant request of £3,227,200. The quarterly regional budget was £768,900. At the initial sift, Historic England (HE) advice was that the works in thirteen applications were not of sufficient urgency to meet the programme requirements. These applications were not taken forward for further assessment and were recommended to committee for rejection.

The remaining six cases had undergone full assessment, and HE had provided detailed technical advice to establish the urgency of the repair works. HLF assessment had also considered how well the applications met outcomes for communities.

Committee noted:

- three applications with a total grant request of £615,100 were considered to meet the programme outcomes at a relatively higher level and were recommended for an award; and
- within the last quarter five second round grants had been awarded to projects. Two had requested a small uplift of 4% on the first round amount.

Committee agreed:

- to award first round passes to three applications marked A - C in Appendix III;
- to reject two applications in light of the available budget and these were St John the Evangelist Church, Oulton with Woodlesford, and St Paul's Parish Church, Manningham; and
- to reject the remaining fourteen applications.

Committee Grants for Places of Worship decisions were:

Item	Project title	Applicant/Reference	Decision
22a.	Restoration of possibly the only surviving original and entirely wooden spire in Britain	St Wilfrid's Church, Halton, Leeds/ GP-17-03358	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £242,600 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £6,900 (79%)
22b.	Repair of southern roof pitches	St James the Great, Hebden Bridge/ GP-17-01276	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £195,500 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £13,500 (68%)
22c.	All Saints Roof Repair Project Phase 2	Newton on Ouse PCC/ GP-17-01090	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £250,000 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT of £16,500 (76%)



22d.	St John the Evangelist Side Aisles and North Porch Roofs and Spire Pinnacle Repairs	St John the Evangelist Church, Oulton with Woodlesford, Leeds/ GP-17-03358	REJECT
22e.	The roof over our heads	St Paul's Parish, Manningham/ GP-16-01971	REJECT
22f.	Save Lockton Church	Lockton Parish Church/ GP-16-08092	REJECT
22g.	Holy Trinity Huddersfield North Side Nave and Aisle Roofs Repairs	Holy Trinity Huddersfield Parochial Church Council/ GP-17-01738	REJECT
22h.	Urgent Tower and Porch structural repairs, interior improvements and accessible Kitchen facilities	St Margarets Church, Hawes/ GP-15-05034	REJECT
22i.	St Mary the Virgin, Ingleton - Roof Replacement	St Mary the Virgin, Ingleton/ GP-15-01573	REJECT
22j.	St Mary's Church, Hook 800+, 'Crownworks'	Church of St Mary, Hook, Church of St James, Rawcliffe, Church of St David, Airmyn/ GP-17-01706	REJECT
22k.	St. Mary's Mirfield East End repair works	Mirfield Team Parish/ GP-17-02075	REJECT
22l.	St Stephen's Church, Lindley: Building for the Future - Part	St Stephen's PCC, Lindley/ GP-17-01283	REJECT
22m.	Urgent structural repairs to the building. Improvements to the interior to encourage community involvement	St Oswald's PCC Horton in Ribblesdale BD24/GP-17-00826	REJECT
22n.	Repairs and Restoration of St James' Church, Nunburnholme, East Yorkshire	PCC of Nunburnholme St James Church/ GP-17-02216	REJECT

22o.	St Mary's church Myton upon Swale restoration project	St Mary's Church/ GP-17-02581	REJECT
22p.	Remaining repairs and inclusive access to a landmark Pennine chapel	Hope Baptist Church, Hebden Bridge/ GP-17-00252	REJECT
22q.	Vital structural repairs and inspired access to Laughton Church	Laughton All Saints Church/ GP-15-04771	REJECT
22r.	Building to Serve - Securing the Future of Christ Church, Dore	Christ Church, Dore, Sheffield/GP-17-02996	REJECT
22s.	Essential repairs to make St. Peter's, Bramley available for full community use	St Peter's Parish Church, Bramley/ GP-16-03384	REJECT

## Papers for discussion

### 23. Communications Report

**CYH 2017 (4) 23**

Felix Gott, Communications Account Manager, introduced the report.

Committee noted the #ThankstoYou campaign would take place from 11 December and until 17 December. Various organisations within the region were taking part.

### 24. Corporate Update

**CYH 2017 (4) 24**

Committee noted the update.

Committee had met at the start of November together with the North West and North East Committees to discuss the next Strategic Funding Framework. A note of the discussion had been circulated electronically. Committee agreed that:

- it represented an accurate summary of the discussion and views of the Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber; and that
- it should be forwarded to the head office/Strategy Team for consideration.

## Papers for information

### 25. Minutes from the meeting of the Regional and Country Chairs on 10 October 2017

**CYH 2017 (4) 25**

Committee noted the minutes.

### 26. Overview of Single Round Grants and Delegated Decision Making

**CYH 2017 (4) 26**

Committee noted the minutes.

## **27. Annual Report on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion**

**CYH 2017 (4) 27**

Committee noted the minutes.

## **28. Any other business**

**Oral**

Officers would be in touch regarding Committee involvement in taking forward its inclusion plans.

The Committee would receive presentation from the Hull City of Culture delivery team.

**The next meeting will be held on 1 March 2018.**