

Heritage Lottery Fund Committee for London Meeting on 13 June 2017

CL 2017 (2)

Summary report of the meeting of the Committee for London held on 13 June 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Avenue House, Finchley London

Members:

- Blondel Cluff (Chair)
- Jenny Cousins
- Sandie Dawe
- Rachel Hasted
- Jonathan Pickstone
- Jonathan Sheaff
- Hilary Carty

Attending:

- Ella Mizon Big Lottery Fun Representative (items 22 to 26)

Reports

1. Chair's Report

Oral

The Chair:

- welcomed Jonathan Pickstone, to his first official meeting as committee member;
- congratulated Mrs Kaylie Cash who was married in April;
- bade a sad farewell to Kiri Anderson, Grants Officer;
- announced that Sandie Dawe would be stepping down from the Board later this summer, but would remain with HLF London as a committee member until 31 March 2018. Angela Dean, NHMF Trustee, would attend the London committee meetings as trustee member for the committee. In addition, sadly Hilary Carty would be leaving at the end of September to focus on her new role as Director for the Clore Foundation.

The Chair reported on:

- a busy quarter, despite it being a restricted period, and on events attended and inspirational project openings;
- the Country and Regional Chairs meeting in May where there had been good discussion;
- a visit to the East Midlands with Jim Harker, Chair for the East Midlands Committee with Sir Peter Luff . They had met with the Duke of Buccleuch.

The Chair thanked committee members for attending visits on behalf of HLF and reminded Committee members of the invite list circulated weekly.

London applications had been successful at the March and April Boards:

- **March Board** - the total grant request for 25 first round projects was £78.6m against an available budget of £22.4m and there was tough competition within the high priority projects. Bevis Marks: Britain's Most Significant Synagogue received a first round pass. All other London projects had been rejected;

- All second round applications had been successful - The Geffrye Museum received a grant of £11.9m, Unlocking the UK's Sound Heritage a grant of £9,353,000 and Art UK Sculpture an award of £2,825,700;
- **April Board** – there were tough decisions with many high quality projects. The total grant request of £224m was set against an available budget of £40m. The Board awarded first round passes and development grants to only four projects and one of these was *Inspiring People: Transforming Our National Portrait Gallery*; The National Portrait Gallery received a first round pass of £9,400,000 and development grant of £900,000. Decisions on projects funded remained confidential until further notice.

The London region had also been successful with two Great Place Schemes, two Heritage Endowments and four Skills for the Future bids.

The Chair, noting this had been an exceptionally busy period thanked and congratulated the team for their hard work and much success in securing project awards within London.

2. Minutes of the meeting on 7 March 2017

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Committee agreed the minute subject to the following amendment:

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- *the Artist Room collection contained exceptional works of art and was considered one of the most important **donations** ever made to a UK museum.*

The minutes were signed by the Chair.

3. Matters arising from the minutes

Oral

There were no matters arising.

4. London Overview Report

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Stuart Hopley, Head of HLF London introduced the report.

He drew attention to some key issues underway with some topical cases. Committee members were advised not to engage if approached via social media, regarding contentious issues.

A recruitment campaign to find two new committee members for London would soon be underway. Committee members were invited to forward details of any individuals or organisation that might be interested to Karen Macaulay.

5. London Budget

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Simon Spoglianti, Casework Manager, introduced the paper that set the context for the Committee's decision taking for the 2017 - 2018 financial year. The Heritage Grant and Heritage Enterprise up to £2million budget for the year in London was £9m.

The Committee noted that for this meeting the first round pass budget was £2,250, 000. The total grant request was £7,439,900 and therefore it was not possible to support all applications.

There were sufficient funds to support the three second round applications should committee agreed they met the quality threshold and still represented value for money.

For September, seven applications had been received. These included four re-submissions and the pipeline for the meeting was £8.8m.

Committee noted the assessment requirements of first and second round applications as set out in Appendix III.

6. Declarations of Interest

Oral

Jon Sheaff reported conflicts for:

- Enhancing Heritage in the Abbey and Barking Town Centre Conservation Area (item 18). Barking and Dagenham Council was a client and this scheme was connected to a masterplan that his consultancy has developed for the adjoining Abbey Green; and
- Springfield Park Restoration Project (item 24). The consultancy had prepared and submitted the original funding application for this project and produced the Conservation Plan.

Jon Sheaff declared a connection for:

- Marble Hill Revived (item 25). The consultancy had been working on a project at Greenwich Park for the Royal Parks and had met English Heritage, the applicant, to discuss. However, this project had not been discussed. Committee noted and agreed this was not a conflict.

Grants for Places of Worship

7. Grants for Places of Worship Applications

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Lesley McCarthy, Senior Grants officer presented the paper.

The annual budget for 2016-17 for London was £1.5m.

In London, 4 first round applications had been submitted with a total grant request of £832,500 against an available budget of £375,000. The two most urgent priority cases totalled £487,500. There was insufficient budget to support both applications.

Committee agreed the following decisions:

Item	Project title	Applicant	Decision
7a.	Repairing and Restoring our Grade II* Listed ST Peter and St Paul Church – Phase A	Parish of Chingford	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £250,000 INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £28,000 (57% OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)
7b.	St Leonard's Shoreditch: repairs to west front and portico	St Leonard's Church, Shoreditch	REJECT
7c.	Holy Trinity Upper Tooting West End Restoration	Holy Trinity Upper Tooting	REJECT

Item	Project title	Applicant	Decision
7d.	St John the Evangelist, Penge - roof and heritage	St John the Evangelist, Penge	REJECT
7e.	St Paulinus Church, Crayford: Fabric Repairs 3	St Paulinus Church, Crayford	AWARD GRANT OF £169,700 (78%)
7f.	Urgent repairs to St Margaret Lothbury	St Margaret Lothbury	AWARD GRANT OF £200,500 (55%)

SF4 first round applications for discussion and decision: Heritage Grants

8. London Tails of Amphibian Discovery; HG-16-08088

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Applicant: The Froglife Trust

Request: First round pass of £511,200 including development grant of £38,800 (94% of total eligible development costs)

Project: To address the decline in toad populations and enhance existing habitats to secure their future through a conservation and activity programme. The project would be delivered across 6 large identified toad habitats in London: Ham Common, London Borough (LB) of Richmond upon Thames, Richmond Park, LB Richmond upon Thames, Lee Valley Regional Park, LB Newham, LB Hackney and LB Waltham Forest, Epping Forest, City of London, Trent Park, LB Enfield, and Foots Cray Meadows, LB Bexley.

The Committee for London agree the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £511,200 including development grant of £38,800 (94% of total eligible development costs).

9. A Creative Church for a Creative Community; HG-16-09190

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Applicant: Parochial Church Council of the Parish of Walthamstow

Request: First round pass of £1,674,400 including development grant of £218,000 (86% of total eligible development costs)

Project: To repair, restore and enhance Grade II*-listed St Mary's Church, undertaking necessary repairs, reordering interiors, constructing a new extension, and delivering an extensive programme of heritage engagement activities.

The Committee for London agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £1,674,400 including development grant of £218,000 (86% of total eligible development costs).

10. Celebrating 150 years of St John's: Safeguarding the heritage and delivering a sustainable future; HG-16-06190

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Applicant: St John the Evangelist, Kingston

Request: First round pass of £1,674,400 including development grant of £218,000 (86%of total eligible development costs)

Project: A programme of works to repair, restore and internally reorder the Grade II listed church; reshaping it as a 'Heritage Hub' ahead of St John's 150th anniversary in 2022 and running an associated programme of activities. Two new flexible spaces would be provided, including an office and the other would be for community hire or educational use. There would be a new pocket park in the surrounding church grounds. Activities will focus on collecting, interpreting and sharing the heritage of the church.

The Committee for London **REJECTED** the application.

11. London: Science City (LSC); HG-16-04792

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Applicant: Science Museum

Request: First round pass of £1,500,000 including development grant of £162,900 (48%of total eligible development costs)

Project: To create a new permanent gallery in the Science Museum exploring the heritage of London as a city of science, and in particular the institutions, practices and professions of the 17th and 18th centuries which were the origins of modern London's scientific and technological culture. Capital works included conservation work to stabilise fragile objects for display. All objects on display would be digitised and included as part of the Museum's Collections Online. Selected objects would be presented through 360 degree rotational high resolution images or 3D scanning. A variety of learning programmes and new online catalogue material would be delivered.

The Committee for London **REJECTED** the application.

12. Richmond Park Revealed; HG-16-03766

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Applicant: The Hearsom Collection

Request: First round pass of £976,300 including development grant of £64,400 (49%of total eligible development costs)

Project: To create a new Heritage Pavilion in the grounds of Pembroke Lodge, with a visitor information centre, interpretation space, archival/study area and public facilities. An open-air classroom and meeting point for guided walks would be provided. Internships and placements would form part of the project and there would be volunteering opportunities, a curriculum-based activity programme for schools and colleges, an outreach programme and a range of public activities.

The Committee for London **REJECTED** the application.

13. Refurbishment of internal spaces at King Charles Court, ORNC; HG-15-07793

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Applicant: Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance

Request: First round pass of £1,593,700 including development grant of £198,900 (74%of total eligible development costs)

Project: The refurbishment and improved accessibility of King Charles Court (KCC), at the Old Royal Naval College (ORNC), Greenwich facilitating public engagement and contributing to the navigation and interpretation of the wider Old Royal Naval College and World Heritage sites at Greenwich. Capital works included the repair and conservation of the stone work and weather-proof the gates of the Loggia of Webb's East Wing of KCC. The original archway to the rear of the Hawksmoor reception would be re-opened and renovated together with the Theatre Studio. An activity programme would be delivered.

The Committee for London **REJECTED** the application.

14. Monken Hadley Common Nature Rangers Project; HG-15-06085

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Applicant: The Harington Scheme

Request: First round pass of £226,500 including development grant of £5,800 (87% of total eligible development costs)

Project: The applicant, in partnership with Monken Hadley Common Management Committee, will provide training in woodland heritage skills and techniques for young people with learning disabilities. The focus would be on maintenance and habitat management activities at Monken Hadley Common.

The Committee for London **REJECTED** the application.

15. Prioritisation

Oral

Committee had rejected Monken Hadley Common Nature Rangers Project (item 14) during the case by case discussion and agreed the priority of other first round applications as :

- London Tails of Amphibian Discovery (item 8), and A Creative Church for a Creative Community (item 9) high priority;
- Celebrating 150 years of St Johns (item 10); London: Science City (item 11); and Richmond Park (item 12) medium priority; and
- Refurbishment of internal spaces at King Charles Court (item 13) low priority

Both high priority applications were supportable with the available budget and committee awarded first round passes with development grants to both. All other applications were rejected.

SF4 second round applications for discussion and decisions: Heritage Grants

16. Biggin Hill Memorial Museum; HG-15-06694

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Grantee: London Borough of Bromley, in partnership with Biggin Hill Memorial Museum Trust,

Request: Award grant of £1,998,200 (57%)

Project: To preserve and repair St George's RAF Chapel of Remembrance at Biggin Hill airfield, and create a new museum on the Chapel's grounds. The Committee for London had awarded a first round pass of £1,941,100 without development grant in September 2016.

Uplift: £57,100 (3%):

Expert advice: Supportive

Committee **AWARDED** a grant of £1,998,200 (57% of eligible delivery costs).

17. Islington's Pride: LGBT+ Archive; HG-15-02639

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Grantee: London Borough of Islington

Request: Award grant of £329,500 (68%)

Uplift: £121,800 (59%):

Project: To create an archive of Islington's recent LGBT+ heritage, then sharing this heritage through a wide ranging outreach and learning programme. Committee had awarded a first round pass of £244,600, including development grant of £36,900, 71% of eligible development costs in June 2015.

Expert advice: Supportive

Committee **AWARDED** a grant of £329, 500 (68% of eligible delivery costs).

SF4 second round applications for discussion and decisions: Townscape Heritage

18. Enhancing Heritage in the Abbey and Barking Town Centre Conservation Area; TH-14-05056

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Jon Sheaff left the room before discussion commenced.

Grantee: London Borough of Barking and Dagenham in partnership with Technical Skills Academy

Request: Award grant of £1,143,700 (67%)

Project: To enhance the built environment of the Abbey and Barking Town Centre Conservation Area through a programme of physical improvements to properties and public realm works. There were 16 high priority projects, 17 medium priority projects and 29 reserve projects. A programme of activities would be delivered. Committee had awarded a first round pass of £1,380,900 including a development grant of £121,400, 63% of eligible development costs in January 2015.

The Committee for London **AWARDED** a grant of £1,143,700 (67% of eligible delivery costs).

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

Committee discussed the following applications. Their views would be reported to the NHMF/HLF Board in June.

19. Building Modern Britain; HG-15-05988

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Applicant: Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)

Request: First round pass of £3,567,100 including development grant of £567,800 (83% of total eligible development costs)

Project: To explore modern British architecture through collections, buildings and personal stories. Based at Grade II* 66 Portland Place (RIBA Offices), the project would develop and deliver

activities across the UK with key project partners. The project included capital works at the offices, the provision of new displays and interactive digital screens and fit out of a digitisation studio. A new digital platform to transform public interaction and to collaborate with peer institutions would be created. A range of activity proposals would be delivered with institutional partners Kettle's Yard - University of Cambridge, University of Leicester, and delivery partners SPUD and Our Hut.

20. One Collection; HG-16-03200

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Applicant: Science Museum

Request: First round pass of £4,270,000 including development grant of £285,000 (18% of total eligible development costs)

Project: To transform the way in which the Science Museum Group's collection was cared for and accessed physically, remotely and digitally. A new, innovative collection facility at Wroughton would be built to house, care for and provide access to 80% of the collection. The collection would also be accessible remotely to a virtual global audience opportunities for employment, apprenticeships and volunteering. Objects would be digitised, creating a digital catalogue. A programme of activities would be delivered.

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

Committee noted that fast track acquisitions would be in direct competition with first round applications.

21. Bellotto's 'Fortress of Königstein from the North': Acquisition and Public Programme; HG-17-00518

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Applicant: National Gallery

Request: Award grant of £1,773,300 (14%)

Project: To acquire, preserve, display and interpret Bernardo Bellotto's (aka 'Il Canaletto') painting 'Fortress of Königstein from the North'. The painting would be displayed and interpreted in the National Gallery(NG), forming the centrepiece of a programme of engagement and online content focusing on community, belonging and sense of place and would tour four other venues in England and Wales.

SF4 first round Board applications for discussion and recommendation: Parks for People

Committee discussed the following applications. Their views would be reported to the Parks for People Board Sub-Committee in June.

22. Parks for People Overview

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Simona Spoglianti, Casework Manager, presented the overview report. In June, decisions would be taken for the first time by the recently established Parks for People Board Sub-Committee. Membership included the NHMF Chair and two trustees and Big Lottery Fund Board representatives. The first round budget for the Parks for People programme for 2017-18 was £25m in England. The budget for the June meeting was £12.5m. Five applications had been submitted

with a total grant request of 14.67m. There were ten second round applications requesting £30m. Six parks had uplift requests. The average uplift overall was 11%.

All Parks for People second round applications in London were fundable providing committee agreed they met the quality threshold.

23. Reconnecting Boston Manor Park; PP-16-08648

CL 2017 (2) 23

Applicant: London Borough of Hounslow

Request: First round pass of £3,929,200 including development grant of £294,600 (73% of total eligible development costs).

Project: To conserve and interpret Boston Manor Park which formed the historic Landscape setting of Grade I listed Boston Manor House. Works included restoring the formal period setting at the house entrance; conservation works to the park wall and boundary features; improvements to the park entrances and walled garden; dredging of the lake and subsequent restoration; provide new activity hub and community space; better management of woodlands; provide new signage and interpretation points; and introduce temporary exhibitions and displays linked to the estate. A range of activities would be delivered plus accredited training opportunities.

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

24. Springfield Park Restoration Project; PP-14-08805

CL 2017 (2) 24

Jon Sheaff left the room before discussion commenced.

Grantee: London Borough of Hackney

Request: Award grant of £3,146,000 (76%)

Uplift: £135,500 (5%); Total project costs had risen from £3,843,812 to £4,120,859, a 7.2% overall project increase.

Expert advice: HLF project monitor and mentor were supportive.

Project: To strengthen the natural and built heritage of the Grade II registered Springfield Park through restoration of the landscape, repair and redevelopment of listed buildings and delivery of a programme of habitat improvement works, alongside significant activity proposals. The HLF Board and Big Lottery Fund Parks for People England Committee had awarded a first round pass of first round pass of £3,194,100 including a development grant of £183,600, 75% of total eligible development costs, split (HLF £122,400; 66.66%) (BLF £61,200; 33.33%) in March 2015.

25. Marble Hill Revived; PP-15-07371

CL 2017 (2) 25

Grantee: English Heritage

Request: Award grant of £4,080,400 (66%)

Uplift: No uplift

Expert Advice: HLF Mentor was supportive.

Project: To restore and re-present Marble Hill park and House as a coherent physical entity. Works included: improvements to landscape features and to landscape biodiversity, the development of a new 'Commercial Hub' at the Stable Block , better access to the whole site, new play offer for young children and improved sports facilities. Improved accessibility would be provided through the installation of a lift to the first floor of the House and extended opening hours and through improvements to paths and vistas. New interpretation and a varied events programme would be delivered. The Heritage Lottery Fund Board and Big Lottery Fund Parks for People England Committee had awarded a first round pass of £4,356,000 including development grant of £275,600, 76% of eligible development costs; split between distributors (HLF £183,733; 66.67%) (BLF £91,867; 33.33%) in June 2016.

26. The Canons Mitcham Parks for People Project; PP-14-05066

CL 2017 (2) 26

Grantee: Merton Council

Request: Award grant of £4,440,600 (86%)

Uplift: £773,900 (21%); there had been some project changes during development and project costs have increased as a result of under-costing at first round for some elements and site investigations which indicated the need for more work than anticipated. Partnership funding had increased. Changes included the omission of additional pond proposed at first round and reconfiguration of the café.

Expert Advice: HLF Mentor was supportive.

Project: To restore Canons House and grounds providing greater unity and establishing a thriving centre of cultural and leisure activity. Canons House would be refurbished to provide a mix of workspace and community uses. The exterior of the house and key heritage rooms, salon and stairway would be restored. Proposals included the renewal of the walled garden, provision of a café and the community spaces, relocation of the playground and improvements to access, visitor circulation and parking. A wide range of activities and volunteering opportunities would be delivered. The HLF Board and Big Lottery Fund Parks for People England Committee had awarded a first round pass of £3,981,500 including a development grant of £314,800, 89% of eligible development costs split between distributors: HLF £209,867; 66.66% and BIG £104,933; 33.33% in December 2014.

Papers for discussion

27. Corporate Update

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Committee noted the paper and minutes of the February, March and April Board meetings.

Sue Bowers, Deputy Director of Operations, updated committee key areas including on:

- the discussions at the May Board meeting and the agreed outcomes;
- the key findings and messages from the National Lottery Player consultation;
- discussions with the country committees , exploring the distinctive differences in their respective environments. Consultation with regional committees would take place between November 2017 and February 2018 alongside the wider consultation activity;
- the scope for international engagement;
- HLF's vision and strategic objectives; the Board had agreed that '*A lasting difference for heritage and people*' should remain as the vision for the organisation.

28. London Annual Review

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Committee noted the review.

In 2016/17 a total of

- 339 applications had been submitted to HLF London;
- £6m had been committed to small grants under £100,000;
- £46.5million had been awarded to first-round applications, including applications awarded by Committee and Board;
- £68.5million, including delegated, first and second round bids, and targeted programmes like *Grants for Places of Worship* and the *Great Place Scheme*.

Katherine Sagar and Tom Brown gave a presentation on delegated grant awards providing example some exemplar projects funded.

29. Development Work- Presentation

Oral

Selina Papa, Development Manager, provided an update on development activity over the past year.

This had also been a very busy year for the Development Team who had had to deal with a variety of new grant programmes as well the existing grants programmes. In total, project enquiry numbers had increased by 15% largely as result of those new grants programmes.

Our Heritage continued to be the most popular programme of most interest, followed by *Heritage Grants*. Young Roots had been less busy but this might have been due to the launch of *Kick the Dust*.

Priority Development Areas (PDAs): the team had delivered workshops in the PDA's and with priority groups. Of the current PDA's Hillingdon was proving to be most challenging in terms of attracting applications.

30. Communications Report

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Committee noted the report.

Stuart Hobley presented some media highlights over the past year. Over the next 12 months focus would be on:

- project openings, including those for local and national London. The National Lottery Player would be thanked and referenced in all of these events;
- providing support for the London Borough of Culture;
- targeting key MPs and assembly Members in order to raise awareness of the work of HLF; and continuing to explore how to better promote the link between The National Lottery ticket and the work of the HLF: and
- delivering a renewed *Changing Lives* campaign.

31. London Business Plan 2017-18

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Committee noted the plan.

Papers for information

32. Business Plan 2017-18

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Committee noted the plan.

33. Country and Regional Chairs minutes of 9 May meeting

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Committee noted the minutes.

34. Any other business

Oral

Committee were invited to attend the tour of Avenue House Gardens.

The next meeting will be held on 12 September 2017