

# Heritage Lottery Fund Committee for London Meeting on 27 November 2018

CL 2018 (4)

**Summary report of the meeting of the Committee for London held on 27 November 2018 at 10.00 a.m. in the third floor Board room at 7 Holbein Place, London.**

## Members:

- Blondel Cluff (Chair)
- Maria Adebawale-Schwarte (Trustee)
- Jenny Cousins
- Rachel Hasted
- Claire Madge
- Peter Neal
- Jon Pickstone

## Committee Business

### 1. Welcomes and apologies

Oral

The Chair, Blondel Cluff, welcomed the Committee to the meeting.

### 2. Corporate Update

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Sue Bowers introduced the Corporate Update including an overview of HLF's business transformation work, *Shaping our Future Business*. The work would allow HLF to be more streamlined and consistent in delivering the Strategic Funding Framework (SFF) and in support of the sector, taking on recommendations from the tailored review. The work would benefit HLF's customers through greater partnership working, better engagement, and improved links to data and insight whilst retaining local teams.

An independent governance review would take place in early 2019. Three interim English committees would be created to operate from April 2019 for a 12 month period. All English members would be invited to submit an expression of interest to be a part of these committees. The country committees would continue to exist in the same format.

### 3. Chair's Report

Oral

The Chair, Blondel Cluff, reported that she had attended meetings and events in London including the Thames Festival. She had also spent time in Antigua on a lecture tour based on an HLF First World War project, demonstrating the global outreach of HLF funded projects.

She thanked officers in the London team for conducting their work so professionally during this time of change.

### 4. Minutes of the meeting on 11 September 2018

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

## 5. Matters arising from the minutes

Oral

There were none.

## 6. London Overview Report

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Stuart Hobley, Head of HLF London, provided an overview of the region including progress on current projects.

The team had worked closely with Camelot to support the Lottery terminal pilot based at the Science Museum. This would be in place until February.

## 7. London Budget

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Eight first round applications and a second round fast track application totalling £5,527,000 had been received against a budget of £4,132,300.

One second round application had been received. The Committee were able to fund this project if they were content that it represented good value for money and a high priority for support, taking into account the level of savings that needed to be made across the year.

## 8. Declarations of Interest

Oral

The Chair noted her trusteeship of the Prince's Trust, a partner in the Natural History Museum Gardens (item 25) case. She withdrew from participating in the case.

## SF4 Second round applications for discussion and decision

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### 9. The Beautification and Refreshment of the Great Chamber; HG-16-02054

Grantee: Sutton's Hospital in the Charterhouse

Request: Grant of £391,100 (46%)

Project: To refurbish and redecorate the Great Chamber of the Grade I listed Charterhouse. Ten portraits would be restored and rehanged in the Great Chamber along with new and improved interpretation. Walls and ceilings would be redecorated and new heating and lighting would be installed, creating a new fit-for-purpose exhibition space, alongside delivering a programme of community engagement activities.

The Committee for London awarded a first round pass of £421,700, including a development grant of £28,600 (41% of total development costs) in March 2017.

The Committee for London agreed that the project represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a grant of £391,100 (46%).

## SF4 first round applications for discussion and decision

### 10. Our Church in the Centre of Chingford; HG-17-04553

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Applicant: Parish of Chingford

Request: First round pass of £602,100 including development grant of £96,100 (88%)

Project: A second phase of works continuing from the church's current GPOW project. The proposals would complete all urgent repairs and restoration works to this Grade II\* listed Church

listed in the 2016 Quinquennial Inspection, resulting in its removal from the Heritage at Risk register. An associated activity programme would be delivered.

The Committee for London agreed the application represented a medium priority for support and **REJECTED** the application in light of concerns raised and the available budget for the meeting.

**11. From throne to classroom: Old Palace Revealed; HG-17-00732**

**CL 2018 (4) 11**

Applicant: The Whitgift Foundation

Request: First round pass of £565,000 including development grant of £90,000 (46%)

Project: To undertake urgent repairs to the grade I-listed Old Palace Chapel, enhancing access to the site including dedicated public entry, signage, disabled facilities and digital interpretation. A series of engagement activities and events would be developed, targeting priority audiences including families, isolated older people and schools.

The Committee for London agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £565,000 including development grant of £90,000 (46% of total eligible development costs).

**12. Union Chapel's Sunday School Stories- a tale of dissent and social change; HG-18-03380**

**CL 2018 (4) 12**

Applicant: Union Chapel Project

Request: First round pass of £940,600 including development grant of £86,100 (48%)

Project: To undertake critical repairs to the Grade I-listed rose window and Grade II\*-listed Sunday School at Union Chapel, refurbishing interiors to create much-needed community space. A new comprehensive engagement activity programme would be delivered, including cataloging, conserving and making the Chapel's archival collection accessible for the first time.

The Committee for London agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £940,600 including development grant of £86,100 (48% of eligible development costs).

**13. St Mary the Virgin Church - At the heart of Lewisham's Community & Heritage; HG-18-03380**

**CL 2018 (4) 13**

Applicant: St Mary's Church Lewisham

Request: First round pass of £992,000 including development grant of £82,000 (61%)

Project: To undertake the final repairs required to remove grade II\*-listed St Mary's Lewisham from Historic England's Heritage at Risk Register. The scheme would also deliver a programme of activities to explore the church's history and place in the community.

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

**14. Chelsea Physic Garden Glasshouses Restoration: preserving London's botanical heritage for future discovery; HG-18-01642**

**CL 2018 (4) 14**

Applicant: Chelsea Physic Garden

Request: First round pass of £853,200 including development grant of £172,500 (36%)

Project: The first phase of a masterplan for the Chelsea Physic Garden to restore the historic glasshouses and improve the environment for rare plant collections. The project would also build on their current outreach work to widen audiences engaging with the garden.

The Committee for London agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £853,200 including development grant of £172,500 (36% of eligible development costs).

**15. Restoring and Improving St Mary's Church, Beddington; HG-18-02687**

**CL 2018 (4) 15**

Applicant: St Mary's Church Beddington

Request: First round pass of £626,100 including development grant of £73,300 (88%)

Project: To deliver capital repairs to Grade II\* listed St Mary's Church's roofs, masonry and guttering. A programme of activities would engage people with the building's heritage.

The Committee for London agreed the application represented a low priority for support and **REJECTED** it in light of concerns raised.

**16. Living Together: 100 years of British social housing, through the lens of the Becontree Estate; HG-18-00081**

**CL 2018 (4) 16**

Applicant: First round pass of £448,000 including development grant of £74,700 (69%)

Request: Create London

Project: To explore and document the social history of Barking and Dagenham's Becontree Estate through a programme of public events, alongside an exhibition, publication and documentary film.

The Committee for London agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £448,000 including development grant of £74,700 (69% of eligible development costs).

**17. Brent Borough of Culture 2020; HG-18-02736**

**CL 2018 (4) 17**

Applicant: Brent Council

Request: First round pass of £250,000 without development grant

Project: As London Borough of Culture for 2020, Brent would deliver a programme of events throughout the year to celebrate its diverse music, cultural and social heritage. The application was solicited due to the strategic importance for HLF to be involved in this high-profile initiative for London, led by the GLA.

The Committee for London agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £250,000 without development grant.

**18. London Borough of Culture - Waltham Forest (*Fast Track*); HG-18-00375**

**CL 2018 (4) 18**

Applicant: London Borough of Waltham Forest

Request: Grant of £250,000 (3%)

Project: A year-long series of events from January to December 2019 to celebrate culture and heritage in innovative ways to excite and attract new and hard to reach audiences. The programme

would tell the story of the borough around 3 themes: Makers, Radicals and Fellowship. The application was solicited due to the strategic importance for HLF to be involved in this high-profile initiative for London, led by the GLA.

The Committee for London agreed the application represented a high priority for support and **AWARDED** a grant of £250,000 (3%).

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

**Oral**

During the case by case discussions, the Committee considered that:

- From throne to classroom (item 11), Union Chapel's Sunday School Stories (item 12), Chelsea Physic Garden Glasshouses Restoration (item 14), Living Together (item 16), Brent Borough of Culture (item 17) and Waltham Forest Borough of Culture (item 18) represented a high priority for support
- Our Church in the Centre of Chingford (item 10) a medium priority for support
- St Mary the Virgin Church (item 13) and St Mary's Church (item 15) represented a low priority for support

The Committee awarded first round passes to all high priority projects. The medium and low priority projects were rejected in light of concerns raised and the available budget for the meeting.

#### **SF4 second round Parks for People applications for discussion and recommendation**

##### **20. Parks for People Overview**

**CL 2018 (4) 20**

The Committee noted the Overview.

##### **21. The South Metropolitan (West Norwood) Cemetery: A New Beginning; PP-12-09496**

**CL 2018 (4) 21**

Grantee: London Borough of Lambeth

Request: Grant of £4,604,800 (68%)

Project: To revitalise the cemetery and put it at the heart of the local community. At-risk monuments, including St Stephen's Chapel, would be repaired along with paths, the listed wall and railings. The lodge would be extended to provide community space and a new improved welcome for visitors. Access throughout the cemetery would be improved to enable wider community engagement and volunteering opportunities.

The HLF Board and BLF England Parks for People Committee awarded a grant of £4,845,800 including a development grant of £241,000 (52% of total eligible development costs) (HLF £160,667; 66.66%) (BLF £80,333; 33.33%) in December 2015.

The Committee for London recommended the project to the Parks for People Panel as a **HIGH PRIORITY** for support.

#### **SF4 second round Board applications for discussion and recommendation**

##### **22. CITiZAN Discovery Programmes: community-led responsible stewardship for England's threatened coastal heritage *Cross Territory*; HG-17-08309**

**CL 2018 (4) 22**

Grantee: Museum of London Archaeology

Request: Grant of £1,764,700 (77%)

Project: To create six Discovery Programmes in six archaeologically significant areas. These programmes would consist of community-based training sessions, outreach workshops and on-site surveys, providing volunteers with the skills needed to identify, record and monitor coastal and intertidal archaeological sites in England.

The Board awarded a first round pass of £1,853,400 including a development grant of £55,900 (88% of total eligible development costs) in June 2018.

The Committee for London recommended the project to the Board as a **HIGH PRIORITY (1 of 2)** for support.

### **23. Ragged School Museum- from warehouse to schoolhouse; HG-13-08988**

**CL 2018 (4) 23**

Grantee: Ragged School Museum Trust

Request: Grant of £3,994,900 (69%)

Project: To refurbish the underdeveloped areas of the grade II listed Ragged School Museum. Exhibition space would be expanded and interpretation improved to tell the story of Dr Barnardo, the Ragged School movement and the school itself. The education offer will be enriched and income-generation improved through the provision of a café and hireable space to make the museum financially self-sufficient.

The Committee for London awarded a first round pass of £4,333,400 including a development grant of £338,500 (87% of total eligible development costs) in December 2016.

The Committee for London recommended the project to the Board as a **HIGH PRIORITY (2 of 2)** for support.

### **24. Prioritisation of second round items**

**Oral**

The Committee considered that CITIZAN represented the highest priority for support, although Ragged School Museum was also a high priority for London.

### **SF4 First round Board applications for discussion and recommendation**

#### **25. The Natural History Museum Gardens: Inspiring action on UK biodiversity; HG-17-04196**

**CL 2018 (4) 25**

Applicant: Natural History Museum (NHM)

Request: First round pass of £3,400,000 including development grant of £532,200 (44%)

Project: To transform the Natural History Museum's visitor welcome and access and inspire national action on UK biodiversity. A new two hectare permanent outdoor living gallery would use collections and interpretation to engage visitors. Building on the success of Dippy on Tour, NHM would work with partners to deliver UK-wide activities to engage people in caring for and championing urban wildlife. The project would capitalise on the opportunity to provide step free access to the museum working with Transport for London (TfL).

The Committee for London recommended the project to the Board as a **MEDIUM PRIORITY** for support.

#### **26. Restoring and Securing a Resilient Orchard Cross Territory; HG-18-01476**

**CL 2018 (4) 26**

Applicant: The Orchard Project

Request: First round pass of £893,000 including development grant of £93,400 (94%)

Project: A partnership project across four regions to restore 25 existing, at-risk heritage urban orchards and protect a selection of rarer, heritage fruit varieties held in the National Fruit Collection and their associated stories, whilst engaging people and communities through a programme of activities.

The Committee for London recommended the project to the Board as a **LOW PRIORITY** for support.

**27. Reimagining Bonehill; HG-17-08528**

**CL 2018 (4) 27**

Applicant: City of London

Request: First round pass of £2,450,000 including development grant of £175,000 (68%)

Project: To restore and develop the 1.6 hectare Grade I-listed Bunhill Fields Burial Ground, improving historic fabric and accessibility. A programme of associated activities would be delivered within a new build Learning Centre.

The Committee for London recommended the project to the Board as a **LOW PRIORITY** for support.

**28. The Brunel Museum Reinvented; HG-17-08851**

**CL 2018 (4) 28**

Applicant: Brunel Museum

Request: First round pass of £1,620,000 including development grant of £220,000 (71%)

Project: To transform the Brunel Museum's Rotherhithe site, doubling space for interpretation, providing dedicated, environmentally controlled display of the recently acquired Thames Tunnel Archive, and improving access and visitor facilities through a small new building. A commensurate, STEM-focused supporting activity programme would be delivered.

The Committee for London recommended the project to the Board as a **HIGH PRIORITY (2 of 2)** for support.

**29. Reinventing Stanley; HG-18-03057**

**CL 2018 (4) 29**

Applicant: Stanley People's Initiative

Request: First round pass of £2,668,900 including development grant of £313,200 (78%)

Project: To redevelop and renovate Grade II Stanley Halls, improving connectivity and access across buildings with a new lateral link creating a new foyer and improved access. The scheme would strengthen organisational resilience and deliver engaging training, interpretation and community activities.

The Committee for London recommended the project to the Board as a **MEDIUM PRIORITY** for support.

**30. Restoration of Brockwell Hall - Letting the Past Enhance the Future; HG-18-03263**

**CL 2018 (4) 30**

Applicant: London Borough of Lambeth

Request: First round pass of £3,688,200 including development grant of £387,400 (84%)

Project: To restore the Grade-II\* Brockwell Hall, stable block and yard, opening it up to increase public access and enjoyment and introducing revenue generating uses. A wide range of activities and interpretation would be delivered and a programme of training including two paid training placements with formal qualifications would also be provided.

The Committee for London recommended the project to the Board as a **HIGH PRIORITY (1 of 2)** for support.

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

**CL 2018 (4) 31**

During the case by case discussions, the Committee considered that:

- Brunel Museum Reinvented (item 28) and Restoration of Brockwell Hall (item 30) represented a high priority for support.
- Natural History Museum Gardens (item 25) and Reinventing Stanley (item 29) represented a medium priority for support.
- Restoring and Securing a Resilient Orchard (item 26) and Reimagining Bonehill (item 27) represented a low priority for support.

Of the two high priority cases, the Committee considered that the Restoration of Brockwell Hall was the highest priority for support.

### **Papers for information**

#### **32. Communications Report**

**CL 2018 (4) 32**

The Committee noted the report.

#### **33. Any other business**

**Oral**

Maria Adebawale-Schwarte had attended the successful launch of Remembering1968, a local community Sharing Heritage project funded by HLF in Lewisham.

**The next meeting would be held on 12 March 2019.**