

# Heritage Lottery Fund Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber Meeting on 20 September 2018

CYH 2018 (3)

## Minutes of the meeting of the Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber held on Thursday 20 September 2018 at 10 a.m. at the Leeds Office

### Members:

- Ron Cooke (Chair)
- Tony Collins
- Sue Mendus
- David Stocker (Trustee)
- Keith Sweetmore
- Cynthia Wainwright
- John Williams

### Committee Business

#### 1. Chair's Report

Oral

The Chair welcomed:

- Professor David Stocker to the Committee. David was formerly a member of the East Midlands Committee and is also a trustee member for the North East Committee.
- Eilish McGuinness, Director of Operations and Oliver Dunn, Governance Officer to the meeting.

The Chair noted:

- Since the last meeting, Florence Spaven had stepped down from the Yorkshire and the Humber Committee due to work commitment. He wanted to extend his thanks to Florence for all her hard work whilst she was a committee member.
- Hosted Sir Peter Luff, Chair of NHMF, in Yorkshire and the Humber at the beginning of September 2018.

#### 2. Minutes of last meeting on 7 June 2018

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

#### 3. Matters arising from the minutes

Oral

There were none.

#### 4. Corporate Update

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The members were updated on recent corporate activity.

#### 5. Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Overview

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The paper was presented by David Renwick and highlighted the following key elements:

- The region saw a continued increase in the number of applications that it had been receiving particularly at Board level; with the end of HLF's current Strategic Framework seen to have contributed to this.

- Last month the region hosted a successful visit from Sir Peter Luff, Chair of NHMF. Projects that were visited included Temple Newsam Hall, Wentworth Woodhouse, and the Holocaust and Learning Centre in Huddersfield.
- Following the ministerial review of Local Enterprise Partnerships there would be a change in boundaries, with no geographical overlap and restricting local authorities to operating in only one.

## 6. Yorkshire and the Humber Budget

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For 2018-19 the Committee budget for Yorkshire and the Humber region would be £3,900,000, providing a budget of £2,588,400 for the day's meeting. This budget would include first round passes, uplifts, grant increases and acquisitions.

Five first round cases totalling £2,488,000 had been received against the budget.

Three second round projects had also been received totalling £984,000. The Committee would be able to fund the second round projects if they were content that these were strong projects and represented excellent value for money.

The pipeline for the December meeting showed a total request of over £3,686,700 for first rounds.

## 7. Declarations of Interest

Oral

David Stocker declared a conflict of interest for 'Skell Valley Project- revealing, restoring and celebrating the river and its heritage' (Item 20) as he is on the Council of the National Trust and would leave the room during the discussion and for the subsequent prioritisation.

## SF4 second round applications for discussion and decision

### 8. Guildhall Greenwich Time Ball; HG-15-05880

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Grantee: Hull City Council

Request: Award Grant of £282,100 (62%)

Project: The project will restore and interpret the Guildhall Greenwich Time Ball, the only such timepiece on a municipal building and one of only a few nationally, atop the tower of Hull's Guildhall. A full restoration will be undertaken alongside a comprehensive activity plan, as well as capturing the knowledge and skills of the Clock Custodian. There would be a programme of events including talks, tours, and science-focused workshops.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber awarded a first round pass of £329,200, including development grant of £47,100 (76% of total eligible development costs) in March 2016.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a **HIGH** priority for support and **AWARDED** a grant of £282,100 (62%).

### 9. St Wilfrid's Catholic Church Heritage Restoration; HG-16-00788

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Grantee: St Wilfrid's Catholic Church Ripon

Request: Award Grant of £470,000

Project: The Restoration Project for this Victorian Church would aim to preserve the heritage and make it available to a wider audience. Restoration of the interior will reverse deterioration and reveal the quality of the architecture, its internal features and art. The project would work in partnership with historical societies to ensure a programme of planned visits, educational opportunities and cultural events that would engage both local people and the wider public.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber awarded a first round pass of £517,000 including development grant of £47,000 (61% of total eligible development costs) in December 2016.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a **LOW** priority for support and **REJECTED** the application in light of concerns raised.

#### **10. Yorkshire's Cricket Heritage: A Lasting Legacy; HG-16-06739**

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Grantee: The Yorkshire Cricket Foundation

Request: Award Grant of £232,700 (65%)

Project: To preserve and celebrate Yorkshire's cricket heritage and act as a unifying force, between amateur clubs across Bradford, Leeds, Scarborough, and Sheffield. The project would up-skill volunteers in cataloguing, archiving, researching and recording techniques. As well as enriching the current Yorkshire Cricket Archive the project would generate education resources connecting cricket and social history, celebrate Yorkshire's women's, Asian, and Caribbean cricket heritage.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber awarded a first round pass of £267,900 including a development grant of £32,100 (76% of total eligible development costs) in September 2017.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber **REJECTED** the application.

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

**Oral**

The Committee were satisfied with prioritisation in the case by case discussions and made no amends.

The Committee agreed to award a second round delivery grant to the high priority project, Guildhall Greenwich Time Ball- HG-15-05880.

#### **SF4 first round applications for discussion and decision**

#### **12. Bradford Live- transforming an iconic landmark into a world-class entertainment facility rejuvenating central Bradford; HE-18-00370**

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Applicant: Bradford Live

Request: First Round Pass of £999,900, including Development Grant of £40,400 (4% of eligible development costs).

Project: To transform the former Odeon cinema in central Bradford into an entertainment venue, with 4,000 people capacity, to help rejuvenate the city and rekindle civic pride. Located in an area of deprivation the project seeks to encourage economic regeneration by providing jobs, training, volunteering opportunities, and over 200 events annually.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a **HIGH** priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £999,900, including development grant of £40,400 (4% of eligible development costs).

#### **13. National Park Explorers and Young Rangers: Building a lifelong connection to nature; HG-17-05855**

**CYH 2018 (3) 13**

Applicant: North Yorkshire Moors National Park Authority

Request: First Round Pass of £173,400, including Development Grant of £13,300 (86% of eligible development costs).

Project: To bring families and young people into the North York Moors National Park to learn, play and interact with nature. The project would expand and develop two health and wellbeing initiatives currently in pilot delivery within the organisation that engage both families and young people allowing them to be targeted towards deprived communities and wider audiences. The associated project activities would engender long-term behavioural changes through: promoting increased activity in a natural setting; instilling a willingness to volunteer; and by building a lasting connection between the participants and natural heritage.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a **HIGH** priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £173,400, including development grant of £13,300 (86% of eligible development costs).

#### **14. The Milton Rooms Renewed; HG-17-07209**

**CYH 2018 (3) 14**

Applicant: The Milton Rooms

Request: First Round Pass of £633,700, including Development Grant of £59,800 (76% of eligible development costs).

Project: The project would renovate the Georgian Assembly Rooms and Milton Rooms in Malton, North Yorkshire. The building would be made more environmentally sustainable and create better access for everyone, including giving access for wheelchair users to Malton Museum. A two-year activity programme of interpretation and heritage activities would be developed to focus on the collections of Malton Museum, the Woodhams-Stone Collection, the history of the buildings, and the town of Malton;

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a **LOW** priority for support and **REJECTED** the application due to concerns raised.

#### **15. Education, Learning & Visitor Engagement Project (Sheffield Botanical Gardens); HG-18-01794**

**CYH 2018 (3) 15**

Applicant: Sheffield City Council

Request: First Round Pass of £185,000, including Development Grant of £41,100 (90% of eligible development costs).

Project: Working in partnership with 'Friends of Botanical Gardens, Sheffield' (FOBS) and 'Sheffield Botanical Gardens Trust' (SBGT) the project will establish an education programme at Sheffield Botanical Gardens that will engage diverse audiences in learning about the gardens' heritage. The project would enable the three partners to develop, implement and embed a core education programme and an expanded activity and events programme.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a **HIGH** priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £185,000, including development grant of £41,100 (90% of eligible development costs).

#### **16. Royal Armouries' Digital Vision for the Future; HG-18-01796**

**CYH 2018 (3) 16**

Applicant: The Royal Armouries

Request: First Round Pass of £495,900, including Development Grant of £53,700 (95% of eligible development costs).

Project: To develop the digital aspect of the Armouries' offer in keeping with a globally recognised museum and for their online presence to become the equivalent of a fourth destination. The project would embed a 'digital first' culture throughout the organisation to improve efficiency, increase access and remain up-to-date and relevant within the sector. It aims to change their internal thinking around digital engagement and improve engagement for virtual and physical customers through digital media.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber agreed the application represented a **HIGH** priority for support and **AWARDED** a first round pass of £495,900, including development grant of £53,700 (95% of eligible development costs).

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

**Oral**

The Committee were satisfied with prioritisation in the case by case discussions and made no amendments.

The Committee agreed to award a first round pass including development grant to the four high priority projects:

- Bradford Live- transforming an iconic landmark into a world-class entertainment facility rejuvenating central Bradford- HE-18-00370.
- National Park Explorers and Young Rangers: Building a lifelong connection to nature- HG-17-05855.
- Education, Learning & Visitor Engagement Project (Sheffield Botanical Gardens)- HG-18-01794.
- Royal Armouries' Digital Vision for the Future- HG-18-01796.

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

##### **18. Sheffield Lakeland Landscape Partnership; LP-15-05140**

**CYH 2018 (3) 18**

Grantee: Sheffield Wildlife Trust

Request: Award Grant of £2,597,800 (75%)

Project: To conserve the natural heritage of the Sheffield Lakeland Landscape. The project would develop a landscape-scale management plan to identify, connect and interpret key habitats, cultural features and archaeology, and identify access routes and gateways. There would be improved woodland management and investment in wildlife sites, as well as better recorded cultural heritage of the area through volunteering and oral histories.

The Board awarded a first round pass of £2,839,700 including development grant of £241,900 (81% of total eligible development costs) in October 2016.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber recommended the project to the Board as a **HIGH** priority for support.

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

##### **19. For Health and Happiness: Transforming the Royal Pump Room, Harrogate; HG-16-07142**

**CYH 2018 (3) 19**

Applicant: Harrogate Borough Council

Request: First Round Pass of £1,969,600, including Development Grant of £155,400 (90% of total eligible development costs)

Project: The project aims to restore the Grade II\* listed Royal Pump Room Museum (RPRM) and turn it into a focal point for visitors and locals. The project would renew the visitor experience and transform how the Museum works with the wider townscape and green spaces. A new accessible lift to the basement will mean all visitors can engage with the original Georgian wells. Alongside this an activity programme would be delivered to make the building a better place for visitors and residents alike.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber recommended the project to the Board as a **LOW** priority for support.

**20. Skell Valley Project- revealing, restoring and celebrating the river and its heritage; HG-17-07779**

**CYH 2018 (3) 20**

*David Stocker left the room for this item*

Applicant: National Trust - Fountains Abbey & Studley Royal Estate

Request: First Round Pass of £1,502,500, including Development Grant of £128,900 (55% of total eligible development costs).

Project: Working in partnership with Nidderdale AONB, the National Trust would reconnect the Fountains Abbey and Studley Royal World Heritage Site to the Skell Valley. A new and inclusive model of land management involving landowners, businesses, volunteers and the public would improve the long-term conservation of this valley's precious heritage. Alongside this interpretation activities and resources would create maps, walking/cycling trails, way-markers, art works, bird hides and seating throughout the valley.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber recommended the project to the Board as a **HIGH** priority for support.

**21. Sound and Vision Project; HG-16-09346**

**CYH 2018 (3) 21**

Applicant: Science Museum Group

Request: First Round Pass of £3,330,000, including Development Grant of £230,000 (44% of total eligible development costs).

Project: The project would bring together significant collections of photography, film and television into a unified story and demonstrate how they have transformed our understanding of, and relationship with, the world. The project aims to reach over 600,000 visitors a year and engage many more through participation, volunteering and digital activities.

The Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber recommended the project to the Board as a **MEDIUM** priority for support.

**22. Prioritisation of first round items**

**Oral**

*David Stocker left the room for this item*

The Committee were content with the case by case discussion and further prioritisation was not needed.

**Items for information**

**23. Communications Report**

**CYH 2018 (3) 23**

The Committee noted the report.

**24. Any other business**

There was none.

**Oral**

**The next meeting will be held on 22 November 2018**