

Bridgford Hall

After a year-long £2.3million refurbishment made possible by National Lottery players, Bridgford Hall is now open for business as an aparthotel and civil wedding ceremony venue.

£1.5m from HLF was secured to enable the renovation of the beautiful Grade II listed Georgian building in Bridgford Park, which officially opened this week.

This is the first project completed in the East Midlands under HLF’s Heritage Enterprise programme, which funds vital repairs and conservation work needed to convert derelict, vacant buildings into new, usable and sustainable spaces.

The 250 year-old building has been modernised, creating seven well-appointed apartments on the first and second floors, as well as enhancing accommodation for Nottinghamshire County Council’s registration service on the ground floor.

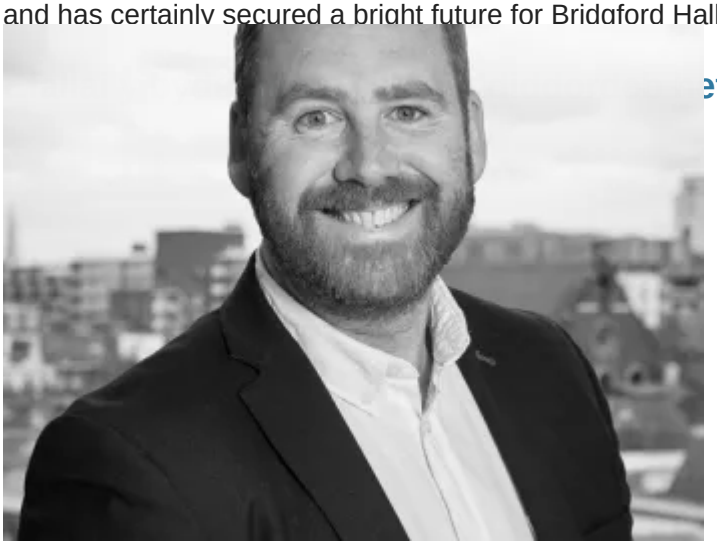
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Speaking about the project, Ros Kerslake OBE, Chief Executive of HLF, said: “This is a wonderful example of the impact that a Heritage Enterprise project can have in breathing new life into an old building. We are delighted that, thanks to National Lottery players, Bridgford Hall will once again be able to play a key role in the lives of the local community, as well as boosting the local economy”.

Councillor Simon Robinson. Leader of Rushcliffe Borough Council, added: “Renovating this historic West Bridgford landmark was key to preserving the town’s heritage for the community and we’re delighted and grateful to have benefited from the HLF’s first Heritage Enterprise grant in the region.

We organised a range of community activities throughout the construction period to connect local residents with the history of this much loved building.

The scheme has given a boost to local business by creating jobs, a quality aparthotel and a fantastic wedding venue, and has certainly secured a bright future for Bridgford Hall and the park.”



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