£13.6million National Lottery boost for Hull's maritime heritage

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800 years of Hull's maritime history to be placed at heart of its future thanks to "game-changer" regeneration plans.

Following the success of the <u>UK City of Culture 2017</u>, Hull is using the momentum to transform its rich heritage and become a world-class visitor destination.

The heritage-led regeneration scheme affects the entire city, creating a new sense of place, identity and belonging

Across the city, five sites will see exciting changes.

- The Grade II* Hull Maritime Museum is set to benefit from new and improved spaces as well as a major increase in the number of items available for the public to enjoy.
- The Dock Office Chambers will be made suitable to house maritime collections.
- The North End Shipyard will continue as an accessible interpretation centre.
- Two historic vessels, the Arctic Corsair and Spurn Lightship, will be preserved.

The project will tell the story of Hull's maritime history for the first time. Visitors and the local community will discover Hull's global links and how its heritage has shaped the city into the cultural icon it is today.

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Children in maritime attraction Walking under the sea

The total uplift of £27.4m will leave Hull thoroughly transformed - not only in the way that it looks, but through the skills and opportunities local people will have gained.

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Ros Kerslake, Chief Executive of The National Lottery Heritage Fund, said: "As City of Culture, Hull proved just how remarkable its heritage and people are. Thanks to National Lottery players, this project will build on that incredible legacy and sense of pride, saving Hull's maritime heritage and ensuring the communities and places which were shaped by it are at the heart of securing its future.

"It's the National Lottery's <u>25th Birthday this year</u> and in that quarter of a century, more than £7.9bn has been raised for the UK's heritage. What's happening in Hull shows just how impactful National Lottery investment can be."

Jenny Howard-Coombes, Chair of Cultural Collisions Hull, said: "It's another game-changer for the city and the communities within. This success is evidence of what can be achieved when heritage, arts and industry unify to develop a vision of success."

The full visitor experience is expected to be completed by 2024.

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