News of £25m increase to the Heritage Lottery Fund’s annual budget

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Today, the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) has announced a £25m increase in its annual budget for new awards to heritage projects across the UK. The budget will be £205m per annum from April 2010.

Carole Souter, Chief Executive of the HLF, said: “Thanks to increased Lottery ticket sales, we now have an additional £25m to invest into the UK’s heritage every year until March 2018. This is extremely welcome news as there is a significant funding need for heritage across the UK and those with excellent projects should be assured that it’s well worth applying to us. The extra money will be invested in all sorts of transformational projects – from museums and historic buildings to parks, skills and training – so making a real difference to the quality of people’s lives.”

Notes to editors

Using money raised through the National Lottery, the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) sustains and transforms a wide range of heritage for present and future generations to take part in, learn from and enjoy. From museums, parks and historic places to archaeology, natural environment and cultural traditions, we invest in every part of our diverse heritage. HLF has supported 33,900 projects, allocating £4.4billion across the UK.

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