

Heritage Lottery Fund Committee for Yorkshire and the Humber Meeting on 26 November 2014

CYH 2014 (4) Minutes

Summary report of the meeting held on 26 November 2014 at the Leeds office.

Members: Gary Verity (Chair)
Angela Dean (Trustee)
Mike Heyworth
Keith Sweetmore
Selina Ullah
Cynthia Wainwright
John Williams

1. Declarations of Interest

Oral

Gary Verity declared a conflict of interests in the Yorkshire County Cricket Club's archives (item 11) as he was a board member of the Cricket Club.

Cynthia Wainwright declared a conflict of interests in the Opie Collection of Children's Play (item 16) as she was employed by the University of Sheffield, the applicant.

John Williams noted that students from Kirklees College, of which he was a governor, were identified as participants in the Colne Valley Museum application (item 9). He had had no involvement with the application. Committee were content that this did not constitute a conflict of interests.

Gary Verity noted that he was due to speak at St Gregory's, Bedale (within item 19) later in year. Committee were content that this did not constitute a conflict of interests.

2. Parks for People Overview

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Committee noted the report.

3. Cannon Hall Park and Gardens: Restoring the Glory, Revealing the Secrets; PP-13-21989

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Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council sought a first round pass of £2,834,000 including a development grant of £138,000 (90% of eligible development costs) for works to Cannon Hall Park and Gardens in Barnsley. Work would include dredging and restoring the lakes, and conserving and repairing key heritage buildings and structures. A learning and engagement programme would be developed and Modern Apprenticeships offered in association with Barnsley College.

The Committee discussed the application and made a recommendation to the joint meeting of the HLF Board and Big England Parks for People Committee.

4. Chair's report

Oral

The Committee noted the report.

5. Minutes of last meeting on 10 September 2014 **CYH 2014 (4) 5**

The minutes were agreed and signed by the Chair. The Chair praised the good quality of minutes produced.

6. Matters arising from the Minutes **Oral**

There were none.

7. Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Overview **CYH 2014 (4) 7**

The Committee noted the report

8. Yorkshire and the Humber Budget **CYH 2014 (4) 8**

Kathryn Frankish, Casework Manager, introduced the report. The first round pass pipeline for the March meeting, together with the size of grant requests, meant that – if the budget were divided equally between November and March meetings - it would not be possible to spend the allocated budget in March. Committee therefore noted that if merited they could allocate up to £2.6m to first round passes at the current meeting.

SP3 Second round applications for discussion and decision

- **Heritage Grants**

9. Sustaining the Dream (Colne Valley); HG-10-05480 **CYH 2014 (4) 9**

Colne Valley Museum sought a grant for a three year project to enhance the visitor experience of the museum and its collections. The museum was volunteer run and was a working museum dedicated to the region's domestic textiles industry. The project would reconfigure and renovate space to improve access and interpretation and aid the delivery of the proposed activity plan.

Committee had approved a first round pass in March 2013.

Committee agreed the application was a high priority for support and **AGREED** a grant of £683,100, 95% of eligible costs.

SF4 Second round applications for discussion and decision

- **Heritage Grants**

10. Weston Park Museum: A Bright Future; HG-13-04852 **CYH 2014 (4) 10**

Museums Sheffield sought funding to display more of its extensive collections at the Weston Park Museum in Sheffield. This would improve public access to a wide range of collections which were not currently on display. New display cases would be provided and public engagement would be improved through the remodelling of sections of the display areas and the creation of new flexible displays.

Committee had approved a first round pass in November 2013.

Committee agreed the application was a high priority for support and **AGREED** a grant of £696,700, 82% of eligible costs.

SF4 First round applications for discussion and decision

- **Heritage Grants**

11. Acquisition, preservation and digitisation for increased accessibility CYH 2014 (4) 11 of the Yorkshire County Cricket Club's archives; HG-13-07722

Gary Verity declared an interest and left the room.

Yorkshire Cricket Foundation sought a first round pass of £1,410,300 including a development grant of £60,700 (85% of eligible development costs) to acquire the Yorkshire Cricket Archives from the Yorkshire County Cricket Club. An interactive, online platform would be created to promote the archive and an education programme, primarily focussed on schools, would be delivered.

Overall Committee considered the application in its current form to be underdeveloped and not supportable at the present time. Committee **REJECTED** the application.

12. Richmond Castle Cells: Voice of Rebellion; HG-13-12605 **CYH 2014 (4) 12**

English Heritage sought a first round pass to conserve, research and share stories surrounding graffiti from the First World War in the cells at Richmond Castle. The graffiti had been applied by imprisoned conscientious objectors and was at risk of further deterioration. Heritage would be shared through interpretation, community events and a volunteer programme.

Committee **APPROVED** a first round pass of £357,900 including a development grant of £25,900, 50% of eligible development costs.

13. Branching Out, the Yorkshire Arboretum's HLF Project; HG-13-00885 **CYH 2014 (4) 13**

Castle Howard Arboretum Trust sought a first round pass of £803,200 including a development grant of £93,700 (81% of eligible development costs) for a range of capital works at the Yorkshire Arboretum and expansion of its education programme aimed at increasing and broadening audiences and improving site accessibility. An Exploration Zone would form the focus for education programming and include an outdoor classroom. Further works would include the restoration of farmland to parkland, the creation of a network of accessible paths, the extension of the visitor centre to accommodate the community education programme and café overflow, and improved facilities for visitors, volunteers and staff.

Committee agreed that the application was a low priority for support, and in the light of their concerns Committee **REJECTED** the application.

14. Burnby Hall Gardens Golden Jubilee Restoration Project; HG-13-20229 **CYH 2014 (4) 14**

Stewart's Burnby Hall Gardens and Museums Trust sought a first round pass for a programme of works at Burnby Hall Gardens, an early Edwardian estate bequeathed by Major Percy Stewart to the people of Pocklington. Capital works included restoring and repairing two lakes, assisting the preservation of the National Collection of Hardy Water Lilies. An expanded learning programme would be developed.

Committee agreed the application was a high priority for support and **APPROVED** a first round pass of £547,100, including a development grant of £20,900, 87% of eligible development costs.

**15. The Queen's Mill - Castleford's heritage
wi' now't taken out!; HG-14-01164** **CYH 2014 (4) 15**

Castleford Heritage Trust sought a first round pass of £919,800, including a development grant of £121,000 (95% of eligible development costs) for the first phase of a multi-phase masterplan to restore and refurbish Queen's Mill in Castleford to create a regionally important museum and heritage venue, create exhibition space and a bakery. The museum would cover the history of Castleford and the local area; the story of Henry Moore's childhood in Castleford; the role of the mill and its connections with Dr Allinson. The existing café, shop, toilet facilities, and offices would be expanded and improved.

Committee **REJECTED** the application.

16. The Opie Collection of Children's Play (Sheffield); HG-14-01521 **CYH 2014 (4) 16**

Cynthia Wainwright declared an interest and left the room.

The University of Sheffield sought a first round pass of £426,600 including a development grant of £12,600 (94% of eligible development costs) to professionally archive the Opie Collection of Children's Play and catalogue, digitise and make publicly available the Yorkshire related content. A selection of schools, some of which originally contributed to the collection, and their local communities would be engaged in projects on the history of play.

Committee **REJECTED** the application.

- **Heritage Enterprise**

17. Rejuvenating Portland Works; HE-13-07348 **CYH 2014 (4) 17**

Portland Works Little Sheffield Ltd sought a first round pass of £578,000 including a development grant of £40,100 (88% of eligible development costs) to renovate the grade II* listed former cutlery factory in Sheffield, offering space for small businesses involved in metalworking and creative crafts. A learning centre and other educational activities were also planned.

Overall Committee considered that the risks associated with the proposed business model were such that the application was a low priority for support in its present form, and in the light of their concerns Committee **REJECTED** the application.

18. Prioritisation of first round items **Oral**

Committee rejected Yorkshire County Cricket Club's archive (item 11), Queen's Mill (item 15), and Opie Collection (item 16). Whilst noting they had sufficient budget to support all remaining applications, in view of the low priority they had accorded to Yorkshire Arboretum (item 13) and Portland Works (item 17) and the significance of the concerns they had raised, Committee agreed to reject these applications. Committee approved first round passes for Richmond Castle Cells (item 12) and Burnby Hall Gardens (item 14).

SF4 First round GPOW applications for decision

19. Grants for Places of Worship Applications **CYH 2014 (4) 19**

Committee **APPROVED** decisions as at the schedule at Appendix A.

SF4 Second Round applications for discussion and recommendation

- **Heritage Grants: January Board**

20. Polli:nation (South East) *cross territory*; HG-12-08595 **CYH 2014 (4) 20**

Learning Through Landscapes Trust sought a grant of £120,300 (72% of eligible costs) for a three year, project working with 260 schools to improve their grounds in order to attract more pollinating insects, create a series of stepping-stone environments and to improve diversification and numbers of species across the UK.

Committee discussed the application. The application would be decided by the Board in January.

- **Townscape Heritage: January Board**

21. Townscape Heritage Overview **CYH 2014 (4) 21**

Committee noted the report. Applications on the day's agenda would be decided by the Board in January.

22. Upper Westgate, Wakefield; TH-13-21621 **CYH 2014 (4) 22**

Wakefield Metropolitan District Council sought a first round pass of £1,684,800 including a development grant of £39,000 (64% of eligible costs) to help regenerate the Upper Westgate area of Wakefield through a programme of physical works to the historic buildings and the surrounding public realm. The physical works would refurbish a number of building frontages on Westgate and Albion Court and create city centre accommodation within key buildings. Public realm works would take place in White Horse Yard, Albion Court and Westgate.

The Committee discussed the application and made a recommendation to the Board.

23. Bridlington Quay Townscape Heritage Initiative; TH-14-00543 **CYH 2014 (4) 23**

East Riding of Yorkshire Council sought a first round pass of £981,500, including a development grant of £50,700 (75% of eligible development costs) for a programme of works in the Bridlington Quay conservation area. Capital works would address the needs of a range of buildings, mainly from the Victorian and Edwardian periods, and would combine with public realm elements and training opportunities.

The Committee discussed the application and made a recommendation to the Board.

**24. Cleethorpes Central Seafront
Townscape Heritage Programme; TH-14-00497** **CYH 2014 (4) 24**

North East Lincolnshire Council sought a first round pass of £1,205,400, including a development grant of £39,000 (49% of eligible development costs) to enhance Cleethorpe's Central Seafront conservation area, increase knowledge and understanding of heritage within the community, and increase traditional building skills. The project would improve town centre accessibility re-establish Market Street as the heart of the town.

The Committee discussed the application and made a recommendation to the Board.

- 25. Rotherham Town Centre Townscape Heritage Initiative Phase 2;TH-14-04321** **CYH 2014 (4) 25**

Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council sought a first round pass of £1,979,800 including a development grant of £39,300 (90% of eligible development costs) for a second phase of works to properties in the town centre conservation area. The project would seek to inform people about the history and heritage of architect John Platt's house, and explore opportunities for artists to display work depicting the architectural and historical heritage of the buildings.

The Committee discussed the application and made a recommendation to the Board.

- 26. Prioritisation of items 22 -25** **Oral**

Papers for Discussion

- 27. Heritage Enterprise – Review of Year 1 of the programme** **CYH 2014 (4) 27**

Committee noted the review. The Chair suggested that case studies to highlight what constituted a good quality application would be of value.

Papers for Information

- 28. Communications Report** **CYH 2014 (4) 28**

Committee noted the report.

- 29. Minutes of recent Board meetings** **CYH 2014 (4) 29**

Committee noted the minutes. They observed that the Board had experimented with re-ordering the agenda to take first round business before second round. They agreed they would like to test out this approach.

- 30. Development Review Report** **CYH 2014 (4) 30**

Committee noted the report.

- 31. Minutes from the Regional and Country Chairs' held on 14 October 2014** **CYH 2014 (4) 31**

Committee noted the minutes.

- 32. Annual Report of the Equality Steering Group** **CYH 2014 (4) 32**

Committee noted the report.

- 33. Annual Review of Delegated Grants** **CYH 2014 (4) 33**

Committee noted the report.

- 34. Collecting Cultures Update** **CYH 2014 (4) 34**

Committee noted the report.

35. First World War Centenary Update

CYH 2014 (4) 35

Committee noted the report.

36. Any other business

Oral

There was none.

The next meeting will be held on 17 March 2015.

Appendix A Grants for Places of Worship (item 19)

Item	Project Title	Applicant	Decision	Project Reference
19a	Urgent guttering repairs to prevent further damage to church interior and historic stain glass	St. John the Evangelist Church Dewsbury	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £127,100, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £13,000 (83% OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)	GP-14-03626
19b	Repairs to roof, heating and stained glass windows of Holy Trinity Church Rathmell	Rathmell Parochial Church Council	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £159,700, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £11,800 (80% OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)	GP-13-11013
19c	Repairs to tower of the Church of St Thomas the Apostle	Heptonstall - PCC St Thomas' Church, Heptonstall	FIRST ROUND PASS OF £139,800, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF £13,200 (63% OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS)	GP-14-04657
19d	Doomsday Village with leaking 15th century Church seeks urgent 21st century makeover!	All Saints Church, Bolton Percy	REJECT	GP-14-04539
19e	Holy Trinity Huddersfield Tower and Roof repairs project	Holy Trinity Huddersfield	REJECT	GP-13-21684
19f	Spire and tower work/fabric repairs	All Saints Church, Saxby All Saints	REJECT	GP-14-02672
19g	St Michael the Archangel - our heritage for future generations	The PCC of Kirkby Malham	REJECT	GP-14-02926
19h	St Gregory's Bedale: repairing and reinterpreting the last fortified church in the heart of North Yorkshire	the Parochial Church Council of St Gregory's Church, Bedale	REJECT	GP-14-00786

19i	All Saints Terrington: South Nave and Aisle Restoration	All Saints PCC, Terrington, North Yorkshire	REJECT	GP-13-09077
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