

## **Heritage Lottery Fund Grants Panel Minutes**

# 24th October 2016, 4.00pm - 5.30pm

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Name		Organisation	
Nicola Sworowski	NS	South Derbyshire District Council	SDDC
Planning Policy Manager			
Emma Hancock (Notes)	EH	South Derbyshire District Council	SDDC
Townscape Heritage Project Officer			
Paul Elwood	PE	Swadlincote and District Chamber of	SDCT
		Trade	
Alex Gilbert	AG	Derbyshire County Council	DCC
Historic Buildings Architect			
Graham Nutt	GN	Magic Attic	MA
Richard Shaw	RS	South Derbyshire District Council	SDDC
Design Excellence Officer			
Cllr Steve Taylor	ST	South Derbyshire District Council	SDDC

### 1. Apologies

Cllr Southerd and Cllr Wyatt.

## 2. Electing Chair Person

- 2.1 Cllr Taylor was elected as Chair Person, a Vice Chair will be elected at the next meeting.
- 2.2 Substitutes were discussed this will go to Full Council in November.

Nicola Sworowski left the meeting at this point.

### 3. Minutes from Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

Terms of reference were discussed – all changes have now been agreed.

### 4. Grants Process

Flow chart was tabled – people generally happy with it.

### 5. Grants Summary

- 5.1 EH reported that grants have gone really well. With the first two agreed at the last panel meeting, the Town Hall window repairs are a great showcase of work early on in the project. John Mills' new windows started today and should be finished in the next few weeks.
- 5.2 Free Building Maintenance Advice and Gutter Clearance on West Street, 17<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> November.
- 5.3 EH talked through her grants summary report. GN mentioned the salts building and a potential buyer for that building, EH is also in contact with the potential buyer.
- 5.4 A summary was given about the starred buildings:
  - 2 Midland Road owners/agents not interested at this moment in time
  - 4-6 Midland Road did not meet Stage 2 Application deadlines
  - Autoquip Stage 1 submitted and discussions underway with the Co-op
  - 26 High Street vacant and for sale, received enquiry from potential buyer
  - Go mobile are working on their Stage 2 Application
  - Specsavers working on a Stage 2 Application under 5k
  - Yum Yums have been informed that HLF will not fund security shutters
  - Cashino Gaming still waiting to hear back from them

### 6. Application Appraisals

- 6.1 EH reported back on the good work done during the School Decision Days and displayed the schools' presentations.
- 6.2 8 Midland Road the choice between whether to repair or replace the timber was discussed. The panel agreed that replacement was the preferred option.
- 6.3 <u>23 West Street</u> GN expressed interest in the projecting sign remaining as a grant funded element.
- 6.4 EH pointed out that if the two above schemes were grant funded, then it would be possible that they would be the last non-starred buildings to receive grant funding (assuming that all the starred buildings do indeed come forward). The panel agreed that they supported 8 Midland Road and 23 West Street being given grant funding in accordance with the contributions shown in the appraisals:
  - 8 Midland Road max. grant contribution of £10,837 (Net) or 67% of total eligible costs (whichever is lowest).
  - 23 West Street max. grant contribution of £35,664 (Net) 0r 67% of total eligible costs (whichever is lowest).

### 7. Any other business

The issue of tolerance was discussed it was agreed there is not enough funding available at this stage to allow any tolerance in the maximum grant funding.

### 8. Date of Next Meeting

6<sup>th</sup> March at 4pm in the Council Chamber.