

Decision Schedule



Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Investment

TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Cabinet Member took the following decision on 20 March 2017. It will become effective at Noon on 28 March 2017 with the exception of any particular decision(s), which is (are) the subject of a valid "call-in".

The deadline for submission of a 'Call-in' request form is 4.00 pm on 27 March, 2017.

Information relating to the 'Call-in' process can be found via [Democratic Services](#).

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R&I 03/17

Market Arcade – HLF “Townscape Heritage” Development Grant

Options Considered/Reason for Decision

The Cabinet Member considered a report upon the acceptance of a 'Development Grant' award of £177,300 from the Heritage Lottery Fund, towards the 'Market Arcade Townscape Heritage Scheme'. The funding would enable the development of a detailed project plan to restore the historic Market Arcade – Newport's oldest surviving arcade.

Market Arcade, a Grade II Listed structure, was Newport's oldest surviving arcade, whose historic significance intertwined with the growth of Newport as a town, following the Industrial Revolution.

Over the past year, the authority had sought to work positively and in partnership with owners and the wider community, to secure funding to develop a comprehensive project that could secure the long term restoration and sustainability of the Arcade. Identifying the potential for Heritage Lottery Fund support under its 'Townscape Heritage' programme, the Council, supported by owners, heritage peers and the wider community submitted an application for funding on 1 September 2016.

The authority had now received confirmation of success of its 'first round' application, with the HLF awarding £177,300 towards a total £256,051 of 'Development Stage' costs. The Award included funding for the appointment of a full time Townscape Heritage Project Manager, for the duration of the Development Stage. The Council (NCC) had committed £40,000 match funding within the total.

The award of funding towards development also meant that, subject to a successful second round application, a further £1,102,300 of HLF funding had been set aside for the delivery of the project.

A successful second stage application would also be dependent upon the Authority identifying and obtaining match funding commitments from NCC/ Owners/ Cadw and other sources, anticipated to be in the region of £451,707 – of which an 'indicative' allocation of £280,089 from NCC controlled funds had been proposed.

Failure to submit a satisfactory second stage application by 17 January, 2018 would mean that delivery funding that had been earmarked would be lost and the project required to resubmit a first stage application afresh.

Decision

1. To accept a 'Development Grant' award of £177,300 from the Heritage Lottery Fund, towards the 'Market Arcade Townscape Heritage Scheme', to enable the development of a detailed project proposal to restore the historic Market Arcade.
2. To progress the Development Stage of the Market Arcade Townscape Heritage Scheme with a view to submitting a 'second stage' application for delivery by the deadline of 17 January, 2018.
3. To approve the appointment of a Townscape Heritage Project Manager to facilitate the delivery of the project.

Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People & Business Change, Stow Hill Ward Members,

All Members were consulted and provided with an opportunity to comment when previously circulated. Any comments received and responses thereafter are set out in the Report.

Implemented By: Head of Regeneration, Investment & Housing
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

COUNCILLOR JOHN RICHARDS, CABINET MEMBER FOR REGENERATION AND INVESTMENT

20 March, 2017
