

Report to Cabinet

Subject: Gedling's Heritage Brought Alive
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Wards Affected

1.1 All Wards

Purpose

2.1 To seek approval to spend funding acquired through an application to Heritage Lottery Fund to deliver a project working with local history groups to create the story of the Borough's heritage and disseminate it in various formats for visitors and the wider community.

2.2 To establish, by virement, the expenditure and financing budgets for Gedling's Heritage Brought Alive project.

Key Decision

3.1 This is not a Key Decision.

Background

4.1 The Gedling Plan 2017-19 sets out a corporate action to "Bid for Heritage Lottery funding for a heritage centre and heritage trail at Gedling Country Park".

4.2 During the first quarter of 2017-18, the Council engaged with its history and heritage societies to map the borough's rich heritage and consider how this might be interpreted and presented in future. This led to the establishment of a new Gedling Heritage Forum of local groups.

4.3 The feedback was developed into a Project Plan that aims to work with the Heritage Forum to present themes relating to the Borough's rich heritage at the new Gedling Country Park Visitor Centre and create a Heritage Trail across the Park. This would be backed up by an on-line heritage hub of information and a series of community led activities. The Project Plan was used to bid for Heritage Lottery Funding in June 2017 and a copy of the Plan can be found at Appendix A.

Publicity & Promotion	2,100
Total Expenditure	74,900

Funding	£
Heritage Lottery Fund	79,900
Total Funding	74,900

7.4 Heritage Lottery Grant conditions from funding bodies state that the project must be complete by 30th April 2019. Project delivery must adhere to the Standard Terms of Grant issued by Heritage Lottery to ensure the Council receives all grant instalments within the project timeframe.

7.5 On-going maintenance costs of any small heritage interpretation installations at Gedling Country Park will be managed by the Parks and Street Care Service Area and be contained with existing budgets.

Appendices

8.1 Appendix A: Gedling Heritage Interpretation Project Plan

Background Papers

9.1 None.

Recommendation(s)

10.1 THAT approval be given for:

- spending funding acquired through the application to Heritage Lottery Funding to deliver a project working with local history groups to create the story of the Borough's heritage and disseminate it in various formats for visitors and the wider community.
- establishing, by virement, the expenditure and financing budgets for Gedling's Heritage Brought Alive project.

Reasons for Recommendations

11.1 To deliver on the consultation feedback received from local history and heritage societies to raise the profile of the Borough's heritage.

11.2 To support the delivery of the Council's Corporate Action to bid for Heritage Lottery funding for a heritage centre and heritage trail at Gedling Country Park.

11.3 To offer heritage themed educational and visitor opportunities in the Borough and enhance the local economic development offer through increased visitor number to the local area.