

DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
MANAGEMENT TEAM	FINANCE AND DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE	22 JUNE 2020	7
LYTHAM HALL DRIVEWAY CAPITAL BID			

PUBLIC ITEM

SUMMARY

The Council has received a request for financial assistance from Lytham Hall to resurface the main driveway which is in a poor condition and is failing. This request came in just before the budget for 2020/21 was set but not in good time for proper consideration.

This report contains an in-year capital growth bid for 2020/21 relating to a service which falls within the terms of reference of this Committee.

The Committee is asked to consider the request for financial assistance of £51,500 to Lytham Hall and recommend approval to enable the resurfacing of the main driveway, as detailed in the attached bid.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is requested:

1. To approve a funded addition to the Capital Programme in 2020/21 in the sum of £51,500, funded from the Capital Investment Reserve, to provide for a grant to Lytham Hall to fund the resurfacing of the main driveway.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

In 2011 Fylde Council agreed a capital sum of £300,000 to support the Lytham Hall Heritage Restoration Project, which was paid in 2011/12. The grant was subject to several reports to members which are listed in a report entitled, 'Lytham Hall restoration: progress towards a new HLF bid' dated 7 June 2018.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	✓
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	✓
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	✓
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	✓
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	✓

REPORT

1. The Council has a duty to manage its assets and capital resources in order to best deliver its objectives as set out in the Corporate Plan. The council also several stated objectives to support tourism, heritage and the local economy but specifically to: *'Work in partnership with Lytham Hall to enhance and preserve the Grade 1 listed asset'*.
2. The prioritisation of capital investment using a well-defined rational approach is important to prioritise resources when the demand for resources exceeds the resources available. This process is defined within the Council's Capital Strategy, the latest revision of which was approved by Council on 11th April 2016.
3. A key element of the prioritisation process, as described within the Capital Strategy, is the consideration of capital bids by the Council's Programme Committees. The capital programme for 2020/21 was approved by Council on 4 March 2020.
4. The Council has received a request for financial assistance from Lytham Hall to resurface the main driveway which is in a poor condition and is failing. This request came in just before the budget for 2020/21 was set but not in good time for proper consideration. The Committee is asked to consider the request for financial assistance of £51,500 to Lytham Hall to enable the resurfacing of the main driveway, as detailed in the attached capital growth bid.
5. This request has been considered and is supported by the Budget Working Group. It is recommended that the committee approve a funded addition to the Capital Programme in 2020/21 in the sum of £51,500, funded from the capital investment reserve.
6. An investment that facilitates improved access to the Hall will leverage a significant long term financial and tourism experience. The new leadership and management of the Hall introduced after the withdrawal of the lottery funding have taken the offer, and experience, of the Hall from strength to strength, increasing footfall, generating funds for many of the initiatives planned in the lottery bid and enhancing the reputation of the only Grade 1 listed attraction in Fylde.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	This report requests Members approval of a funded addition to the Capital Programme in 2020/21, in the sum of £51,500, funded from the Capital Investment Reserve, to provide financial assistance to Lytham Hall to facilitate the resurfacing of the main driveway at Lytham Hall.
Legal	No implications arising from this report.
Community Safety	No implications arising from this report.
Human Rights and Equalities	No implications arising from this report.
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	No implications arising from this report.
Health & Safety and Risk Management	No implications arising from this report.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Lytham Hall restoration report	7 June 2018	www.Fylde.gov.uk

Attached documents

Appendix A – Capital Bid for resurfacing of main driveway at Lytham Hall