

INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
COUNCILLOR RICHARD FRADLEY	TOURISM AND LEISURE COMMITTEE	6 SEPTEMBER 2018	9
LYTHAM HALL PROGRESS REPORT			

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

An update on the progress on partnership arrangements and structures necessary for a new Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) bid for the restoration of Lytham Hall. At this meeting there are no recommendations to approve or decisions for the committee therefore the update is included as an information item.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Councillor Fradley and the partners working towards a new HLF bid; Lytham Town Trust (LTT) and Heritage Trust North West (HTNW).

LINK TO INFORMATION

Not applicable

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

To ensure that the committee is informed about the latest developments and reassured that progress is being made.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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Lytham Hall HLF Restoration Bid Progress Update

Members of the committee will be aware of the work that has been carried out to rebuild relationships, structures and a new strategy for the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) bid for the restoration of Lytham Hall. Councillor Fradley was appointed by this committee to facilitate on behalf of the council between the various parties after the previous HLF funding had been withdrawn at Lytham Hall. Councillor Fradley has provided progress reports to this committee since September 7th 2017 which have included work on establishing a new partnership arrangement between the tenant, Heritage Trust North West (HTNW) and the landlord, Lytham Town Trust (LTT) this work has led to the proposal to form a new partnership for Lytham Hall.

Over the last few months the focus has been on agreeing the terms of reference, role, responsibility and membership of the proposed new partnership, this has been a challenging task which will be completed in

September when the various partnerships have returned to full capacity after the summer period. There has been a number of meetings to progress the proposal for a new partnership and the intention is to finalise proposals in September at respective board meetings with a view to present the structure and terms of the partnership before the T&L committee on November 7th with a request to include the partnership as a formal Outside Body. It should be noted that re-building a sustainable and productive partnership after the difficulties experienced between the organisations requires time, patience and negotiation.

Both HTNW and LTT have welcomed and appreciated the support provided by Fylde Council and in particular the facilitation Councillor Fradley has brokered to establish new arrangements. The relationship between the representatives from LTT, HTNW, HLF and Councillor Fradley have been constructive, built on trust, openness and transparency with everyone committed to putting in place the necessary requirements for a new HLF bid for the restoration of Lytham Hall through the proposed new partnership.

It is intended that the new partnership, when or if agreed, will be the body which oversees and co-ordinates a new bid for the restoration of the Hall and would subsequently monitor project delivery and spend. This committee has previously agreed that Fylde Council will act as the accountable body for any future HLF bid, it is therefore expected that if the partnership is established that Fylde has an elected representative on the partnership.

A further progress report will be presented to the committee on November 7th 2018.