

INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	TOURISM AND LEISURE COMMITTEE	11 MARCH 2021	7

COASTAL EXPLORERS PROJECT UPDATE

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

The Tourism and Leisure Committee has supported the development of an arts and cultural project to augment the new coastal sea defences from Fairhaven to Church Scar called Coastal Explorers. This project is planned to deliver a series of participative programmes and a creative hub which would be sited close to St Paul's Avenue Car Park at Fairhaven. This project has been further supported by a Member Working Group comprising the Chair and Vice Chair of the Tourism and Leisure Committee and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Operational Management Committee. Officers have recently presented an update to the member working group.

A funding application has now been made to the Big Lottery Fund for £180K to support the project. A further application for funding from Arts Council England of £50K will be made in Spring 2021. The Tourism and Leisure Committee has already agreed to £20K match funding which is currently included in the Capital programme 2020-21, subject to external funding applications being successful.

The attached PowerPoint presentation gives a summary as to the current status of the project.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Presentation to Coastal Explorers working group

INFORMATION ATTACHED

Coastal Explorers project summary – presentation information attached

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

To provide the Tourism and Leisure Committee with an update on the Coastal Explorers project

FURTHER INFORMATION

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