

## DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	COUNCIL	11 FEBRUARY 2019	11
<b>COASTAL REVIVAL FUND BID : LYTHAM HALL</b>			

### PUBLIC ITEM

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

### SUMMARY

In the Spring of 2018, the Department of Housing, Communities and Local Government extended an invitation for local authorities or partnerships to submit bids for up to £50,000 from the Coastal Revival Fund. This would offer the opportunity to bid for grant aid towards identified schemes for the restoration of heritage features or artefacts that would assist in the regeneration or enhancement of seaside resort towns.

A successful bid was submitted to the Coastal Revival Fund by the Lytham Hall Partnership for £42,500. The funding will be used to restore the Georgian Hall East Elevation and produce a Parkland research and feasibility study.

Council is requested to agree to receive the funding and act as the accountable body for the administration of the grant. In doing so it would require a fully funded addition to the Capital Programme for the financial year 2018/19.

The accountable body will ensure that the grant is spent in accordance with the proposed spend as outlined in the bid.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

#### The Council is recommended to:

1. To approve that the Council acts as the accountable body for the Lytham Hall Partnership Coastal Revival Fund grant;
2. To approve a fully funded addition of £42,500 to the Councils 2018/19 Capital Programme for the restoration works at Lytham Hall to be met from a grant from the Coastal Revival Fund of the same amount; and
3. To approve the payment of the grant monies to the Lytham Hall Partnership upon completion of a legal agreement between the partnership and Fylde Council restricting the purposes to which the grant can be applied to those as described within the bid document and requiring the provision of supporting documentation to confirm compliance with that agreement.

### SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

#### Tourism and Leisure -7<sup>th</sup> January 2016

Following full consideration IT WAS RESOLVED:

1. To recommend to the Finance & Democracy Committee the approval of a fully funded addition of £47,000 to

the Councils 2015/16 Capital Programme towards the restoration of Lytham Hall to be met from a grant from the Coastal Revival Fund of the same amount.

2. To agree that, subject to approval of the addition to the Capital Programme by the Finance & Democracy Committee as described above, the delivery of the project is to be achieved through the engagement of consultants/contractors and suppliers to deliver the various elements of the project in line with the Councils financial regulations and contract rules and procedures.

3. To recommend to the Finance & Democracy Committee the approval of one single payment of the grant upon the receipt of supporting invoices from Lytham Hall (Heritage Trust North West).

#### Council-10<sup>th</sup> December 2018

It was RESOLVED:

1. To approve the recommendation of the Tourism and Leisure Committee that the Lytham Hall Partnership is added to the approved list of Outside Bodies for Fylde Council;

2. To approve the nomination of Councillor Richard Fradley, by the Tourism and Leisure Committee, to represent the Council on the Lytham Hall Partnership;

### CORPORATE PRIORITIES

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

### REPORT

1. The Coastal Revival Fund is a Government initiative that has been in place for a number of years. The 2018/19 round has a total value of £1m. Bids were invited for grant aid assistance with projects that are advanced and could be delivered in the current financial year.
2. The Lytham Hall partnership submitted a bid to the Coastal Revival Fund in Autumn 2018 and were informed on Tuesday January 22<sup>nd</sup> that the bid was successful. Details of the bid are included in Appendix 1 to this report. The grant must be spent in the current financial year, by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2019. Lytham Hall Partnership have confirmed that it will be spent by that date but require approval from the Council as the accountable body to release the funds. The notification did not come in time to put before the Finance & Democracy Committee on January 28<sup>th</sup> therefore it has been put before Full Council to release the funds.
3. The Lytham Hall Partnership was approved at Council on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018 to be added to the list of outside bodies and Councillor Richard Fradley was approved to represent the Council under the Tourism and Leisure Committee on the Lytham Hall Partnership.
4. The Council has worked with Lytham Hall as the accountable body on a previous Coastal Revival Fund scheme to undertake the external painting of the hall, the creation of a joinery workshop and to fund the production of a park conservation management.
5. In support of the bid, the Coastal Revival Fund requires the local authority to act as the accountable body. The role of an accountable body in grant funded schemes involves taking on the responsibility and accountability for the spending of grant monies and the delivery of planned outcomes. Requirements include monitoring the expenditure to ensure it is allocated to the agreed works outlined in the bid. The accountable body undertakes to pay back any grant which is deemed to relate to either spend that is not eligible for funding or to schemes that do not fully deliver their planned outputs, to date this has never been applicable when the council has acted as accountable body for any partnership.

6. A legal agreement between the Lytham Hall Partnership and Fylde Council will be prepared restricting the purposes to which the grant can be applied to those as described within the bid document and requiring the provision of supporting documentation to confirm compliance with that agreement. Grant monies will not be transferred to the Lytham Hall Partnership until that agreement has been duly signed by all parties.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	If the Council agrees to act as accountable body, although no Council resources would be required to deliver the project it would require an addition to the approved Capital Programme in respect of the project, to be fully-funded by the grant for this purpose.
Legal	None specific apart from ensuring that the funding would be appropriated in accordance with the approved grant.
Community Safety	None relevant
Human Rights and Equalities	The scheme would be beneficial to all sections of the community
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	None specific
Health & Safety and Risk Management	None relevant to The Council

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Coastal Revival Fund	17.5.18	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coastal-revival-fund-an-invitation-to-apply-for-funding">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coastal-revival-fund-an-invitation-to-apply-for-funding</a>

Attached documents

Appendix 1: Copy of the Coastal Revival Fund bid.