

Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



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Subject:	To accept and spend a grant awarded from Arts Council England's Museum, Estate and Repair Fund for a programme of repairs at Wollaton Hall.
Total Value:	£469,992 (Type: Revenue)
Decision Being Taken:	Approval is sought to accept and spend against a grant awarded from Arts Council England's Museum, Estate and Repair (MEND) Fund for £469,992. The grant has been awarded to Wollaton Hall for a programme of backlog of repairs to be delivered from 2023 to 2026. The repairs are routine maintenance to ensure the building remains wind and watertight, not building improvements, and therefore the funds are revenue not capital spend.
Reasons for the Decision(s)	In 2022 Historic England assessed areas of the building that was causing concern at Wollaton Hall and as a result the Hall has been added to the Heritage at Risk Register. The main cause for concern is the ingress caused by the building not being wind and watertight due to a backlog of repairs to the roofs, windows and masonry. The current budget restraints of the Service has meant these repairs have not been able to be carried out for the last ten years therefore putting the building, staff, visitors and collections at risk. The award from Arts Council's MEND Fund will enable the backlog of repairs to be carried out enabling Wollaton Hall to become resilient and sustainable.
Other Options Considered:	The 'do nothing' option would mean further ingress which over time would cause galleries and stairwells to close for safety reasons [ceilings may collapse]. The collections would be at risk from damage caused by damp and eventually the Hall would have to close to the public due to health and safety reasons.
Background Papers:	If none, state none.

Published Works:	If none, state none.
Affected Wards:	Citywide
Colleague / Councillor Interests:	If none, state none.
Consultations:	Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.
Crime and Disorder Implications:	Improving Nottingham's cultural offer enables communities to feel engaged with their heritage which in turn supports community and cultural cohesion.
Equality:	Please login to the system to view the EIA document: equality-impact-assessment-ACE MEND External Funding Approval FINAL VERSION (002).docx
Relates to Building Services:	Yes
Decision Type:	Portfolio Holder
Subject to Call In:	Yes
Call In Expiry date:	07/09/2023
Advice Sought:	Legal, Finance, Procurement, Equality and Diversity, Building Services
Legal Advice:	Grant funding will be subject to terms and conditions which must be complied with, failing which the funding in whole or part may be subject to clawback from the grant funder. The procurement of the repair services must be in compliance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and the Council's Contract Procedure Rules. Advice provided by Sarah O'Bradaigh (senior solicitor) on 26/07/2023.
Finance Advice:	Please see attached document with finance advice Advice provided by Maria Balchin (Finance Analyst) on 14/08/2023. Advice documents: Wollaton Hall ACE MEND repairs finance comments.docx

Procurement Advice:

There are no procurement concerns with the decision being sought. Contracts awarded must be in compliance with Contract Procedure Rules and the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, and the Procurement Team will continue to support the Museums Service to ensure this happens. Advice provided by Jonathan Whitmarsh (Lead Procurement Officer) on 26/07/2023.

Equality and Diversity Advice:

The EIA has been reviewed. There are no impacts to any of the protected characteristics and therefore happy to sign off. Advice provided by Rosey Donovan (Equality and Employability Consultant) on 15/08/2023.

Building Services Advice:

We support this project however we request that plans/schedules of works are shared with us and all documents relating to the works and their suppliers are stored within the IWMS. The budget allocation/management requires further consultation due to the introduction of Corporate Landlord. Advice provided by Trevor Bone (Property Maintenance Manager) on 03/08/2023.

Signatures

Pavlos Kotsonis (Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Culture)
SIGNED and Dated: 30/08/2023
Colin Parr (Corporate Director, CERS)
SIGNED and Dated: 29/08/2023