

Bath & North East Somerset Council

DECISION MAKERS:	Cllr Paul Crossley, Leader of the Council; Cllr Ben Stevens, Cabinet Member for Sustainable Development; and Cllr David Bellotti, Cabinet Member for Community Resources	
DECISION DATE:	On or after 31st January 2015	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE
		E2727
TITLE:	Cleveland Pools Trust Capital Grant	
WARD:	Bathwick	
AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM		
List of attachments to this report: none		

1 THE ISSUE

- 1.1 In the February 2014 Council Budget, a provisional item of £200K was provided for grant funding towards the match funding requirement for the Cleveland pools scheme.

Cleveland Pools Trust has now been awarded a grant from the HLF. As the B&NES grant allocation was conditional on receiving the award from the HLF this single member decision is to confirm that this grant can now be made.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The Cabinet Members agree that the £200K grant can be made in two instalments to Cleveland Pools Trust in line with the approval of the February 2014 Budget report.

The grant will enable the CPT to secure £4.5M of external funding to restore this important building and bring it back into effective use.

3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

- 3.1 Financial provision of £200K has been provided within the 2014/2015 Capital Programme. This will supplement a £366K Round 1 grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund to develop a full Round 2 application for the restoration of Cleveland Pools.

It is proposed to make the grant payments in two instalments of £100K with the first payment being made upon satisfactory agreement of the grant terms and conditions. The second instalment will be paid upon achievement of agreed milestones set out in the grant terms and conditions.

In the event the project does not proceed beyond the Round 1 stage with the Heritage Lottery Fund, £100K will be repaid to the Council and the remainder will need to be met as a revenue reversion cost.

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS AND BASIS FOR PROPOSAL

4.1 All statutory considerations have been met.

5 THE REPORT

5.1 As part of the Budget approved by the Council in February 2014, Capital Funding was provided as set out below for this project:

Cleveland Pools Trust, in partnership with the Prince's Regeneration Trust, English Heritage and the Council will be submitting a bid in April 2014 to the Heritage Lottery Fund to restore the country's only surviving Georgian lido and reclaim them for outdoor swimming. A provisional item is included for £200K to provide grant funding towards the match funding requirement for this scheme in the event this bid is successful and subject to conditions to be agreed.

CPT has now been awarded a grant for the HLF for the development phase of this project. As the B&NES grant allocation was conditional on receiving the award from the HLF this single member decision is to confirm that this grant can now be made.

The funding is not time limited to 2015/2016 and can be carried forward into future years, however as it is capital funding it does ultimately require the successful completion of the project.

6 RATIONALE

6.1 The grant will enable the CPT to secure £4.5M of external funding to restore this important building and bring it back into effective use

7 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

7.1 None

8 CONSULTATION

8.1 The consultation was undertaken as part of the February Council budget report.

Ward Councillor; Cabinet colleagues; Community Interest Groups; Youth Council; Stakeholders/Partners; Section 151 Finance Officer; Chief Executive; Monitoring Officer

9 RISK MANAGEMENT

9.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

9.2 There is a risk that the Cleveland Pools Trust will not be awarded the main grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund and the project cannot be completed. In this event Cleveland Pools Trust will repay 50% of the capital grant and the remainder of the capital grant will be subject to revenue reversal.

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Background papers	
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