

STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT COUNCIL

Moorlands Partnership Board

30 November 2022

TITLE:	Summary of Projects
PORTFOLIO HOLDER:	Councillor Flunder - Portfolio Holder for Regeneration
CONTACT OFFICER:	Joanne Brooks - Regeneration Officer
WARDS INVOLVED:	ALL

1. Reason for the Report

- 1.1 To update and review progress on the grants already approved (in previous years) under the Moorlands Partnership Board.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the update report is noted.

3. Executive Summary

- 3.1 This report deals with progress to date on those projects, awaiting commencement, on site or, completed since the last meeting of the Moorlands Partnership Board.
- 3.2 This report is for information only but does offer Members an opportunity to comment on progress. The report will be presented with an accompanying power point presentation which displays images of each project.

4. How this report links to Corporate Priorities

- 4.1 This report concerns publicly funding the restoration and repair of historic properties or places that are either listed or an identified heritage asset. This, in turn, is related to the Council's corporate aim 3:
- To help create a strong economy by supporting further regeneration of towns and villages.

5. Alternative Options

- 5.1 There are no alternative options as this an update report on progress only.

6. Project updates and progress

2016/17 OFFERS:

Biddulph Town Council Projects - The Trough, Gillow Heath Station and Halls Road Community Notice Board. The noticeboard is completed but not erected on site. Licences are being obtained to do the work at Gillow Heath Station. The Trough repair is delayed waiting confirmation of a contractor.

2019/2020 OFFERS:

42 Compton, Leek – sash window reinstatement

No further update to report. This grant offer is due to expire shortly and despite attempts made to contact the owner there has been no update received.

2020/2021 OFFERS:

St Edwards Summerhouses – Repair of grade II listed summer houses within site

To meet the grant conditions, the applicant has secured an updated condition survey and 1 estimate for the repair of 1 summer house only. The Regeneration Officer has asked for 2 estimates for the repair of ALL the summer houses and to confirm that the estimates have been prepared against the original and updated condition survey.

The grant of £8,000 is for the repair of ALL the summer houses rather than just 1. As such there is a need to agree a proportionate payment of the grant after the repair of each summer house.

2021/2022 OFFERS:

Heaton House, Rushton Spencer – Reinstatement of stone boundary wall to match original

Planning Permission for the wall was approved in August and they intend to start work on the new all early next year. Stone sample and pointing mix has been approved.

St Giles Church, Cheadle - Funerary Monument repairs

Diocese permissions being sought prior to commencement of works but progress is slow.

St Leonards Church, Ipstones – Relaying original stone path

Work complete and grant paid.

Guild Hall, Alton Castle – Roof repairs

Fund raising and grant awards have secured almost all the funding required for the repair to the roof of the building. They will be appointing their contractor to start in March 2023.

19 Hugo Street, Leek – Sash window reinstatement

All but one of the windows has been installed. The grant has been part paid.

Ipstones Boundary Post – New boundary post carved and erected

The new boundary post has been cut to size and is ready for carving.

Foxlow Arts Centre, Leek – Render, window and soffit repairs along with rationalisation of rain water goods on east elevation

Works complete and the grant has been paid.

Den Engel, Leek – Roof repairs

Works are currently on site and likely to be complete at the end of November.

Christ Church, Biddulph Moor – Roof repairs

No update to report.

2022/2023 OFFERS

2 – 4 Tape Street – repair of sash windows

Joinery works complete and waiting decoration.

Tean Heritage Trail

All the preparatory planning is now complete and the archaeological artist will begin work on the trail map in December.

ANTICIPATED APPLICATIONS:

Former garage/barn – Ipstones

Application has been received but second quote required. Also planning permission for alternative heritage interpretation needs to be secured prior to making a grant award.

7. Implications

- 7.1 Community Safety – No implications at this stage.
- 7.2 Workforce – The Moorlands Partnership Scheme is administered by an officer within the Regeneration Team with assistance when required from the council's Conservation Officer.
- 7.3 Equality and Diversity/ Equality Impact Assessment - No implications at this stage.
- 7.4 Financial considerations - There are allocations within the capital programme for the Moorlands Partnership funding scheme. The projects outlined in this

report have been met from approved budgets from previous years. The budget for this year 2022-2023 is £60,000.

- 7.5 Legal - Local authorities are empowered to give grants towards improvements in conservation areas under Section 57 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.
- 7.6 Climate Change – No Implications at this stage.
- 7.7 Consultation – Grant offers are made in consultation with and approved by the Moorlands Partnership Board. Where required, projects that require planning permission and listed building consent are subject to the normally statutory consultations.

Neil Rodgers - Executive Director (Place)

**Web Links and
Background Papers**

Location

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