

**STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**Moorlands Partnership Board**

**27 July 2021**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Summary of Projects</b>
<b>PORTFOLIO HOLDER:</b>	<b>Councillor Sybil Ralphs MBE</b>
<b>CONTACT OFFICER:</b>	<b>Joanne Brooks – Regeneration Officer</b>
<b>WARDS INVOLVED:</b>	<b>Various</b>

**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**

### **2015/16 OFFERS:**

#### Gazebo, Whitehough, Ipstones

Still waiting for doors to be installed and then the scheme will be complete. Officer have agreed with the applicant to extend remaining grant to 31 Dec 2021. If works are not complete by then the grant will be withdrawn.

### **2016/17 OFFERS:**

#### The Trough, Biddulph

Awaiting commencement. No update from Biddulph Town Council.

### **2017/2018 OFFERS:**

#### Funerary Monuments

Ongoing project - The most recently completed monuments are the Thomas Lovatt and Elizabeth Smith memorials at Alton. The following list is left to complete:

- Genders Memorial – Biddulph
- Railed enclosure – Horton
- Empson memorial – Kingsley

### **2018/2019 OFFERS:**

#### Leekbrook Interpretation Panels

The Leek Brook boards are complete, on site and the grant paid.

### **2019/2020 OFFERS:**

#### Halls Road Community Notice Board, Biddulph

Notice boards are complete and in situ. Officers have requested photographs before payment of grant can be made. Despite several emails to chase with Biddulph Town Council, no photographs have been submitted. Grant remain unpaid.

#### 42 Crompton Road, Leek

No further update to report.

#### 55 Chorley Street

Works complete and grant paid.

#### Kinglsey and Froghall Station Platform

Works complete and grant paid.

#### Leekbrook Rail Track

No further update to report.

## **2020/2021 OFFERS:**

### Gillow Heath Station

No update from Biddulph Town Council to report.

### 6 Russell Street, Leek

Works complete and request for additional funding (see details on separate report)

## **ANTICIPATED APPLICATIONS:**

### Cheadle Cards

Potential grant aid for new shopfront.

### Biddulph Florists

Potential grant aid for like for like replacement shopfront. Awaiting quotes.

## **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 2021-2022 is £60,350.
- 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.

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**Web Links and  
Background Papers**

**Location**

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