Chief Executive Decision

Update on the Ham Hill Project and National Lottery Heritage Fund Grant Offer

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Purpose of the Report

To confirm the recommendation of Full Council relating to acceptance of the Terms of Grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund following consideration at a consultative meeting of Full Council on 19 January 2023.

Public Interest

At the meeting of Full Council on Thursday 21 July 2022, it was agreed that the Chief Executive in consultation with the Chair of Council, be given delegated power to make any or all meetings remote for a period of up to 4 weeks at any time when it appears reasonably prudent to do so on public health and safety grounds or in line with national or local safe practice under the Covid19 guidance and requirements issued by the Government from time to time.

(There was adverse weather on Thursday 19 January 2022 - icy conditions)

Decision Taken

The Chief Executive, following a consultative meeting of Full Council on 19 January 2022 made the following decision:

Agreed to authorise the Director of Service Delivery to accept the Terms of Grant set out in the letter dated 5 December 2022 from the National Lottery Heritage Fund in respect of the Council's Uncovering Ham Hill's past for its future project.

Reason

To accept the grant offer of £1.6m from the National Lottery Heritage Fund, to enable the delivery of the "Uncovering Ham Hill's past for its future" project.

Background

To enable the decision-making process to continue, it was agreed that Councillors continue to receive decision-making reports. They will form a view which will be communicated to the Chief Executive. The decision will be formally made by the Chief Executive (or relevant Director).

Financial Implications

These are contained in the body of the agenda report.

Background Papers

Full Council Agenda report https://modgov.southsomerset.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=137&Mld=3240&Ver=4