



Portfolio Holder Report

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Report of:	Portfolio Holder	Date of publication
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Coastal Communities Fund 5 and Coastal Revival Fund

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To seek approval to deliver the Coastal Communities Fund 5 (CCF5) grant 'Joining up the Wyre Coastline Economy' totalling £772,085 as per the Stage 2 application and the associated Coastal Revival Fund (CRF) grant totalling £49,650.

2. Outcomes

- 2.1 We will maximise commercial opportunities, improve the return from all our assets whether that be buildings or land and deliver efficiencies.
- 2.2 We will support economic growth by attracting investment to Wyre and by supporting businesses to prosper.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That the Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder confirms the Service Director for Performance and Innovation's acceptance of the CCF5 and CRF grants.
- 3.2 That procurement of a supplier(s) to undertake the building and improvement works is progressed and the Resources Portfolio Holder authorises the Service Director for Performance and Innovation to appoint the supplier(s), complying with Financial Regulations and Financial Procedure Rules.

- 3.3** That the Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder authorises the Service Director for Performance and Innovation to appoint a part time Studio Co-ordinator to deliver the programme of activities and events and a part-time Market Operator, both for a fixed period of 12 months funded by the CCF5 grant monies.
- 3.4** That both revenue budgets and the Capital Programme are updated to reflect the phased delivery of the projects as outlined in the Stage 2 application for CCF5 over 2019/20 and 2020/21 and the delivery of the CRF grant in 2019/20.
- 3.5** That approval is given by the Resources Portfolio Holder to appoint specialist consultants to undertake a detailed 'Health Check' focusing on Fleetwood Market under the exemption to Contract Procedures contained within the Financial Regulations and Financial Procedure Rules on the grounds that they may apply regarding "the appointment of consultants...and other people providing professional services."

4. Background

- 4.1** A Coastal Revival Fund Grant was awarded to the council in early April 2019 for just under £49,650. This grant will look at providing feasibility studies for a number of schemes and will include work on an energy / environmental study for Fleetwood Market and Fleetwood Museum, evaluating access routes to both attractions to determine the most commonly used entrances and exits and an assessment of visitor numbers and footfall to the attractions to help inform future development of a 'historic quarter'.
- 4.2** A Coastal Communities Grant was awarded to the council in early April 2019 for £772,085. This grant, coupled with match funding provided by the council, will enable delivery of the 'Joining up the Wyre Coastline Economy' project. This project contains a number of elements including digital signage at key locations, an interactive 'app' to create a town and coastline trail amongst other features and extensive works at Fleetwood Market to create an improved outdoor space and internal studios for start-up businesses.
- 4.3** To facilitate the progress of the bid, a planning application for a change of use to the first and second floor areas of Fleetwood Market to office/studio (B1) was approved on 5 April 2019.

5. Key issues and proposals

- 5.1** To accept both the CRF grant of £49,650 and the CCF5 grant of £772,085.
- 5.2** To deliver schemes in accordance with the Stage 2 application for CCF5 and the CRF bid and update the Revenue and Capital budgets accordingly.

- 5.3** To appoint NABMA consultants 'Marketplace' to undertake a detailed 'Health Check' and other studies focusing on Fleetwood Market costing an estimated £21,000 to be funded from the CRF grant.

6. Delegated functions

- 6.1** The matters referred to in this report are considered under the following executive functions delegated to the Resources Portfolio Holder to "consider departures from Rules relating to financial and contractual matters if appropriate" and the Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder to "consider matters relating to the operation of public markets."

Financial and legal implications	
Finance	<p>The total cost of the CCF5 scheme is £1,223,185 (made up of £772,085 CCF5 grant and £451,100 Wyre Council match funding) and this is split into revenue costs of £111,455 and capital costs of £1,111,730.</p> <p>The match funding is being met from existing revenue budgets for staff time and planned capital investment in the market funded from the capital investment reserve. The scheme is expected to complete in 2020/21 and costs are phased accordingly.</p> <p>The CRF grant £49,650 is currently all allocated to revenue and is expected to be spent in 2019/20 with the first expenditure being for a detailed 'Health Check' and other studies undertaken by NABMA consultants 'Marketplace' and focusing on Fleetwood Market (estimated cost £21,000).</p> <p>Revenue budgets and the Capital Programme for 2019/20 and 2020/21 will be updated accordingly.</p>
Legal	<p>Following a procurement exercise for the delivery of the building and improvement works, the council will enter into a contract with the successful supplier to comply with the Council's Financial Procedure Rules and Contract Procedures.</p>

Other risks/implications: checklist

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a ✓ below, the report author will have consulted with the appropriate specialist officers on those implications and addressed them in the body of the report. There are no significant implications arising directly from this report, for those issues marked with a x.

risks/implications	✓ / x
community safety	x
equality and diversity	x
sustainability	x
health and safety	x

risks/implications	✓ / x
asset management	✓
climate change	x
ICT	x
data protection	x

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List of background papers:		
name of document	date	where available for inspection
None	-	-

List of appendices

None

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