



ENGLISH HERITAGE

## English Heritage Investment Funding Priorities for EAST MIDLANDS REGION 2006 – 2007

Applications for investment funding under the schemes listed overleaf will be assessed against scheme criteria and in the light of our national and regional priorities stated below.

### Our national priorities for funding are:

- Significant elements of the historic environment at risk; and
- Proposals that seek to strengthen the ability of the sector to manage the historic environment.

If your project meets one of our national priorities, we will assess it to establish whether:

- There is a financial need for grant;
- The work that needs to be done is required within two years;
- There will be long-term viability of the historic asset.

We will also take account of any wider benefits your project will provide. Such benefits can include:

- Economic regeneration;
- Training and skills development;
- Visitor access and interpretation;
- Social and educational benefits for the wider community;
- Partnership with other funding sources.

### Within these national priorities our regional priorities for the East Midlands Region are:

#### Buildings, monuments and designed landscapes

We will focus on grade I and II\* listed buildings and scheduled monuments included on our *Buildings at Risk Register* and our *Scheduled Monuments at Risk* report.

We will give priority to:

- Urgent structural repairs to buildings at risk, where repair costs clearly outstrip the final market value of the repaired building, and a sustainable scheme for repair and reuse is in place, particularly where reuse of the building will act as a catalyst for the regeneration of an area;
- Urgent structural repair or stabilisation of buildings and structural monuments at risk for which an economic use cannot be found;
- Schemes that build on existing successful devolved management for scheduled monuments at the highest levels of risk, as identified in our *Scheduled Monuments at Risk* report.

#### Statutory action

We will give priority to the underwriting of repairs notices and urgent works notices issued by a local authority to buildings listed at grade I or II\*, or grade II in conservation areas, including any associated compulsory purchase, provided there is a reasonable prospect of a long term solution.

#### Capacity building

We will give priority to strategic studies of elements of the historic environment at risk and to schemes that build capacity in the management of the historic environment in former industrial settlements and areas of rural deprivation.

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### Partnership working

We will give priority to working with partners in rural market towns and former industrial settlements where projects are in line with wider regional strategies.

### Management Agreements

We will give priority to scheduled monuments identified on the *Scheduled Monuments at Risk* report, particularly those which have no alternative funding available and are capable of allowing public access with interpretation.

## English Heritage Funding Schemes

The priorities above apply to the following English Heritage funded investment schemes:

- Historic Buildings, Monuments and Designed Landscapes
- Partnership Schemes in Conservation Areas
- Regional Capacity Building for the Voluntary Sector
- Grants to local authorities to underwrite urgent works notices
- Acquisition grants to local authorities to underwrite Repairs Notices

More information can be found on our website at the following address:

[www.english-heritage.org.uk/grants](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/grants)

The website also has information on *Repair Grants for Places of Worship in England* and other jointly funded schemes.

### Making an application

You are strongly advised to contact the English Heritage Regional Office to discuss any potential application for funding:

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