



ENGLISH HERITAGE

English Heritage Investment Funding Priorities for EAST OF ENGLAND 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 of England are:

Buildings, monuments and designed landscapes

We will give priority to grade I and II* listed buildings and scheduled monuments included on our *Buildings at Risk register*. In respect of such sites we will consider proposals for programmes of emergency works, repairs and consolidation, and also project development work intended to provide clear assessments of both repair needs and the feasibility of reuse. We may also consider grade II listed buildings which are both included on the local planning authority's buildings at risk list and within a conservation area, providing that there is a justifiable need for financial assistance for essential repairs.

Priority will be given to securing the future of redundant agricultural, ecclesiastical, defence and industrial buildings.

Statutory action

We will give priority to assisting local authorities to serve repairs notices and urgent works notices on grade I and II*

listed buildings and on grade II listed buildings in conservation areas by underwriting the irrecoverable costs incurred by the authority, including any such costs arising from associated compulsory purchase, provided there is a reasonable prospect of a long term solution.

Capacity building

We will give priority to:

- Projects which develop people and skills, particularly in the voluntary and not for profit sectors, in promoting the understanding, education and better management of the historic environment;
- Projects that address the issues of craft shortages through regional action plans;
- Surveys/thematic studies of elements of the historic environment at risk.

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Partnership working

We may consider assisting local authorities with area schemes of conservation-led regeneration intended to enhance local distinctiveness and boost economic confidence. Priority will be given to growth areas.

Management Agreements

Priority will be given to vulnerable scheduled monuments where protection can be improved by more effective management.

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

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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