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Dear Cllr. Porter,

National Lottery Heritage Fund – Clacton150 Extension

As you are aware, Tendring District Council have been successfully project managing the Clacton150 project funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund (attached is a copy of the original Concurrence dated 20th October 2020). Celebrations and events have taken place over the past two years and include: the Clacton 150 trail, Octopus Ahoy!, renaming of the bays in Clacton, the Jubilee Beacon, education projects with local schools, and StreetTag. The total value initially awarded was £250,000 and there is an underspend on the project which has afforded additional opportunity.

As you are aware, the Leading Lighthouses situated in Dovercourt Bay is a project which is listed in the Council's Heritage Strategy and discussions on their potential refurbishment have taken place with Historic England over recent years. Historic England have requested a further piece of work and additional surveys take place, in order to move this important project forward. National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF) have been supportive of being involved in this project and have agreed that the underspend (£21k) can be used to support this work. The balance of the underspend will be used to fund the two Officers to manage this work. They will also be in a position to complete the Clacton 150 woodland work, which is reaching its conclusion and a full evaluation of the overall project.

In full, the NLHF have provided formal approval to utilise the underspend in the following ways:

- To extend the two Programme Officer roles to 30th June 2023 with a revised set of project priorities as set out below:
 - Dovercourt Leading Lights Structural and Condition Survey and community consultation.
 - Completion of the Clacton150 woodland
 - Clacton150 evaluation

No additional funding from the Council is required and this will all be funded through the National Lottery Heritage Fund Programme. The balance of the funding remaining is £38,620. The cost of extending the Officers contracts is £17,620 and the balance of £21,000 will be allocated towards the Leading Lights study and any other associated costs.

I am requesting that you consider the use of the Clacton150 underspend in the ways listed above, If you are in agreement, then I should be grateful if you would sign and return the concurrence below.

Yours sincerely

Mike Carran
Assistant Director for Economic Growth and Leisure

Dear Mike

I refer to your letter dated 23rd January 2023 requesting my approval to accept the refocus of the National Lottery Heritage Grant underspend and the projects listed. I understand that this will be to enable community consultation and structural/condition survey of the Dovercourt Leading Lights, including the Clacton150 woodland and to complete a final evaluation.

I acknowledge that this will ensure that the full allocation of £250,000 from National Lottery Heritage Fund will be spent, and that will fund the entirety of this project.

- I concur / do not concur with the use of these funds for the purpose described above.

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Councillor Alex Porter
Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Tourism

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Dated

- Please delete as appropriate

Additional comments (if not concurring)
