

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**LEADER OF THE COUNCIL/CABINET MEMBER
FOR DEVOLUTION**

ANCHOLME VALLEY HERITAGE TRUST PARTNERSHIP

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1. To seek approval to initiate and formalise a partnership arrangement with Ancholme Valley Heritage Trust.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The council and Ancholme Valley Heritage Trust (AVHT) have worked in partnership on a number of initiatives over recent months. The council is committed to supporting community facilities, with a view to seeing them prosper and grow to enable them to be at the heart of community life.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 The recommendation is to approve the establishment of a partnership arrangement with AVHT via the formal signing of a Community Use Agreement.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

- 4.1 The creation of the partnership will allow the council to work with AVHT to support the council's ambition to grow the number of people visiting, working and volunteering in North Lincolnshire.
- 4.2 The partnership will increase the number of people visiting North Lincolnshire through promotion and new activities, provide volunteering opportunities for those furthest away from the labour market or those entering retirement. These opportunities will help provide pathways into learning or full time sustainable work.
- 4.2 Schools might look to the facility for educational trips. The council has already successfully run a number of events from the facility. The facility would be available for all council services to use.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

- 5.1 The council has negotiated terms for an Agreement with AVHT. The proposal includes the following monitored outcomes, to increase the number of volunteering opportunities available to both younger and older

people, increase visitor numbers to North Lincolnshire and to support the regeneration of Brigg and wider North Lincolnshire. A payment of £12,000 per annum will be made to AVHT to support the delivery of these outcomes. This would be payable in four quarterly sums of £3,000 until December 2019, at which point it will be reviewed. This will be funded through the approved 'Big Society Grant Funding' revenue budget.

5.2 There are no Property or IT implications to highlight.

6. **OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)**

6.1 Not applicable.

7. **OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED**

7.1 Significant dialogue has taken place with representatives of AVHT on this matter. The proposal presented for consideration reflects the outcome of these discussions.

7.2 Although not the decision maker, Councillor R Waltham has declared his status as a member of the Ancholme Valley Heritage Trust, in accordance with Regulation 13 2 (d) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

8. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 That the Cabinet Member approves the establishment of a partnership arrangement with Ancholme Valley Heritage Trust via the formal signing of an Agreement.

8.2 That the Cabinet Member approves the signing of the Agreement between the council and Ancholme Valley Heritage Trust on the terms set out in this paper.

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