

Summary of Approved DIF Bids

To date, a range of schemes have been granted funding from the DIF and these are listed below. Approved bids have been for:

- Ensuring high quality delivery of three key city events:
 - HM Queen's visit (£20k)
 - York Gold celebrations – including Olympic & Paralympics torch visits(31k)
 - York800 (73k)
- Supporting a RIBA competition for innovation on re-use of the Guildhall buildings. (Bid was approved for up to £35k if no additional sponsorship is found – competition could end up being fully funded without DIF if full sponsorship identified. Likely to be part/part)
- Work to assess the feasibility and potential scope for establishing a spin-out social enterprise to deliver Warden Call and associated services (£5k)
- A feasibility study to develop the business case and seek grant funding for the proposed Health & Social Care Hub in Oliver House (£15k)
- A feasibility study to enable the business case for the Digital Media Hub project (£25k)
- Setting-up and maintaining public Wi-Fi in the Museum Gardens area, as part of our ambitions to have full coverage in the city centre area (£39k)
- Securing a function from NYCC for developing Rail Policy for York, to ensure full engagement with relevant government and other bodies in the planning of the rail offer in York (£8k p.a. over 3 years)
- Determining the extent of and reasons for disused upper floors in the city centre, formulating an outline implementation strategy for conversion to residential or other uses and conducting a feasibility study to test these proposals on pilot properties to assess viability for rolling out a full scheme (£30k).