

## Introduction

### Museum Estate and Development Fund

**You are strongly advised to discuss your project with your Arts Council area office before submitting an Expression of Interest or making an application. Click contact us in the left menu bar on the Submissions screen for contact information.**

**If you believe you have a proposal that meets all of the eligibility criteria in the Guidance for Applicants and the criteria described within the 'Meeting the Brief' section, please tell us about it by completing an Expression of Interest, describing your outline proposal in no more than 2,500 characters.**

## Applicant details

**Applicant name:** Cultural Development Service  
**Applicant number:** 58783777  
**Applicant type:** Organisation  
**What is your organisation's legal name?** Birmingham City Council  
**What name is your bank account registered in?** Birmingham City Council  
**Please give any other names your organisation uses:** Cultural Development Service  
**Which option most closely describes your organisation?** Government / public body  
**Which option most closely describes your organisation's status?** Local government body  
**Which category most closely describes your organisation?** Professional organisation  
**Are you a registered charity?** No  
**Are you based within England or the European Union?** Yes

## Address information

**Non-UK address or address not found:** ☐

**Address name or number:** Cultural Development Service, Floor 7, Library Of Birmingham, 4

**Street:** Centenary Square

**Locality:**

**Town / city:** BIRMINGHAM

**Postcode:** B1 2ND

**Main contact number:** 0121 3032434

**Email address:** Claire.Starmer@birmingham.gov.uk  
**(Organisation email address if applicant is an organisation)**

**Website address:** <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/>

**Fax number:**

## Your contact information

Contact type	Main contact	First name	Last name	Primary contact number	Email
Grant administrator	Yes	Claire	Starmer	01213032434	Claire.Starmer@bi..
Grant administrator	No	Lydia	Harrington	01213032434	Lydia.Harrington@..
Grant administrator	No	Roxanna	Collins	01213032434	Roxanna.F.Collins..

## Contact details

**Contact type:** Grant administrator  
**Is this the main contact for the applicant?** ☒ X  
**First name:** Claire  
**Middle name:** Dawn  
**Last name:** Starmer  
**Position:** Cultural Development officer  
**Primary contact number:** 01213032434  
**Alternate contact number:** 01214649277  
**Mobile phone number:**  
**Email address:** Claire.Starmer@birmingham.gov.uk  
**Fax number:**

## Contact details

**Contact type:** Grant administrator  
**Is this the main contact for the applicant?** ☐  
**First name:** Lydia  
**Middle name:**  
**Last name:** Harrington  
**Position:** Cultural Development officer  
**Primary contact number:** 01213032434  
**Alternate contact number:** 01214649277  
**Mobile phone number:**  
**Email address:** Lydia.Harrington@birmingham.gov.uk  
**Fax number:**

## Contact details

**Contact type:** Grant administrator

**Is this the main contact for the applicant?** ☐

**First name:** Roxanna

**Middle name:** Francis

**Last name:** Collins

**Position:** Cultural Development officer

**Primary contact number:** 01213032434

**Alternate contact number:** 01214649277

**Mobile phone number:**

**Email address:** Roxanna.F.Collins@birmingham.gov.uk

**Fax number:**

## Project cost and amount to be requested

Please confirm the overall cost of your project and the amount you will request from us if you are invited to apply.

**Please note, required partnership funding for this programme is:**

**- 5 per cent of the total project costs for grants between £50,000 to £499,999**

**- 10 per cent of the total project costs for grants from £500,000 to £5 million**

**Total project cost:** £16,101,976

**Amount to be requested from Arts Council:** £4,997,643

**Partnership funding percentage:** 68.96%

## Tell us about your project

The information you provide in your application will be shared with National Lottery Heritage Fund, Historic England and Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport. Please refer to the MEND Guidance for applicants for more details.

Describe your proposed project using up to 2,500 characters (including spaces) using the following prompts:

- provide brief details of your organisation and the museum collection
- provide details of your project proposal and evidence that the work you have applied for is urgently needed to be carried out in the next one to two years in comparison to any other work across the estate
- provide a summary of findings of your recent condition survey
- identify how your project contributes to the aims and outcomes of MEND
- provide details of the preparatory work you have already undertaken, including the RIBA design stage you have reached, if applicable?
- confirm how you will raise the required partnership funding

### **Proposed project:**

No more than 2500 characters.



Birmingham City Council (BCC) has a 25 year agreement w/ Birmingham Museums Trust (BMT) for the provision of museum services. The collection of 1m objects is the city's greatest cultural asset & a priceless resource for learning, creativity, health & wellbeing, the majority are Designated.

2019. A risk assessment of the deteriorating condition of Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery (BMAG) was shared w/ BMT's key stakeholders. This highlighted

- Risks to people & collections from water ingress, 30+ episodes in 5yrs
- Fire risk: 2016 Electricity at Work Act testing confirmed the dangerous condition of the electrical installation
- Poor access & environment for staff, visitors & objects

2020. BCC's Cabinet approved a critical electrical upgrade of the Council House Complex (CHC) to comply w/ H&S requirements. The work includes BMAG located within the CHC. A comprehensive programme of electrical works is underway, w/ phase 2 planned in 2022-24 fitting w/ the MEND timeline. Due to the nature of the works, a full collection decant has taken place & alternative staff accommodation/storage arranged. Part of BMAG will open for the 2022 Commonwealth Games, w/ the rest closed until early 2024. Works will be coordinated to ensure max value is delivered by BCC & MEND funds.

The timing of electrical works & decant offers a unique opportunity to undertake the MEND Project. The proposed works represent a small proportion of a much higher figure needed to fully address the building issues. We have prioritised work req'd in the next 1-2 yrs to

- Protect building fabric & longevity of structure, exhibits & collections from water ingress
- Improve public access
- Upgrade building services

Proposal, timeline 1/4/22 – 31/1/2024

- Replacement/repairs to roof, roof lights, windows & drainage systems to prevent water ingress & repair past damage
- Replacement of public/ goods lifts

Surveys have identified urgent needs for MEND & future maintenance

- 47+ areas effected by water ingress due to broken/blocked drainage, missing flashings/tiles, damaged mortar/pipework/windows/rooflights
- Sole external public lift has exceeded its life, callouts frequent, out of action 10% of days open in 2019, risk of major failure high
- Main goods lift has exceeded its life, currently running on slow, showing signs of major failure
- Heating inadequate in major public areas of BMAG w/ heating failure in some areas

BCC partnership funding confirmed; cost of phase 2 electrical works on BMAG in MEND timeline

## Museum Site Address

When completing this section, please ensure you are familiar with the Arts Council's requirements relating to the ownership of land and buildings as set out in 'Guidance for applicants'.

Please provide the full address of the land and/or buildings where the capital project will take place (this may be the same as the address provided on the previous screen) and details of your interest in the land and/or buildings, ie leasehold or freehold interest:

Address name/number	Street	Town/city	Postcode	Local authority	Conservation area	Interest
Birmingham Museum...	Birmingham Museum...	BIRMINGHAM	B3 3DH	Birmingham	No	Freehold

## Museum Site Address details

Click to use postcode search:

or

No postcode available:

**Address name/number:** Birmingham Museum Trust

**Street:** Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery

**Locality:** Chamberlain Square

**Town/city:** BIRMINGHAM

**Local authority:** Birmingham

**Is your museum site in a local authority  
designated conservation area?** No

**Provide details of your interest in the land  
and/or buildings where the capital project will  
take place:** Freehold

## Listing Status

**Please provide details of the category of listing for your building, if applicable.** Grade 2\*

**Historic England manages the National Heritage List for England database which provides access to up to date information on all nationally designated heritage assets in England. You can use the database to check if a building in England is listed.**

**Please tick all that apply:**

## Visitor Numbers

**Please provide museum visitor numbers for the last 12 consecutive months of full opening:**

<b>Start date:</b>	01/03/2019
<b>End date:</b>	29/02/2020
<b>Number of Visitors:</b>	617,024

## **Costed Condition Survey/Management and Maintenance Plan**

**Do you have a costed condition survey?** Yes

**Date costed condition survey completed:** 01/07/2021

**Do you have a management and maintenance plan?** No

(Note: this question is for information only, a management and maintenance plan is not an eligibility requirement of this funding programme.)

## Submission summary

The submission summary displays a list of all the steps you've worked through. If you have completed a step successfully, there will be a green tick beside it. If a step is incomplete or has not been completed successfully, this will be indicated by a red tick. A hyperlinked statement will tell you what part of each step needs attention. Click on this hyperlinked statement to take you to the step and make your amendments.

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