MILLOM HERITAGE ECONOMIC REGENERATION SCHEME (HERS)

Lead Officer: T Pomfret – Development Services Manager

To consider applications for grant assistance towards the cost of proposed structural repairs to 10 Wellington Street; 9 St George's Terrace; 14 St George's Terrace and 17, 17a and 18 St George's Terrace.

Recommendation: That the applications be approved.

Resource Implications: £58668 from the 2005/06 Millom HERS budget of £59790, leaving an unallocated balance of £1122.

1.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.1 This is the third and final year of the Millom HERS scheme which provides up to 60% grant assistance towards the cost of structural repairs to selected commercial properties within the Millom Conservation Area. The scheme is funded by this Council, NWDA and English Heritage, each contributing £20,000 annually. This year, however, English Heritage have reduced this contribution by an amount equivalent to their unallocated balance for 2004/05 viz. £210, giving a total budget of £59790.

2.0 10 WELLINGTON STREET

- 2.1 Grant assistance is sought towards the cost of renewing the slate roof at these newsagent's shop premises together with repairs to the upper gable wall and renewal of the cast iron rainwater goods.
- 2.2 Based on the lowest tender received, the cost of these works is £10369, inclusive of VAT. A 60% grant of £6222 is recommended (CBC £2074; EH £2074; NWDA £2074).

3.0 9 ST GEORGE'S TERRACE

- 3.1 This application is seeking grant assistance towards the cost of reslating these shop premises, including the replacement of rotten roof timbers; repairs to the timber roof dormer; renewal of lead flashings; repairs to chimney stacks and repairs to/redecoration of shop front.
- 3.2 Based on the lowest tender received the cost of these works is £14845, inclusive of professional fees. A 60% grant of £8907 is recommended (CBC £2969; EH £2969; NWDA £2969).

4.0 14 ST GEORGE'S TERRACE

4.1 Relatively minor works to these coffee shop premises are proposed comprising renewal of the shop door and rear doors together with renewal of a dormer window.

4.2 Based on the lowest tender received the cost of these works is £1615. A 60% grant of £969 is recommended (CBC £323; EH £323; NWDA £323).

5.0 17, 17A & 18 ST GEORGE'S TERRACE

- 5.1 Comprehensive repairs to these bakehouse/shop premises are proposed comprising replacement of the slate roofs, including renewal of all lead valleys and flashings and the rebuilding of chimney stacks; repair/renewal of cast iron rainwater goods; repointing of stonework; renewal of 28 timber windows and 5 doors and casings and painting all new external joinery and pipework.
- 5.2 Based on the lowest tender received the cost of these works is £70952. A 60% grant of £42570 is recommended (CBC £14190; EH £14190; NWDA £14190).

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| Background Papers: | Applications on file P/12/22 |