Application for Financial Assistance (Historic Buildings Grants) from the Conservation and Heritage Fund.

Purpose of report

To consider an application for financial assistance towards the cost of the repair of the following building of special architectural and historic interest.

The White House, Poolside, Madeley, (Ref: 13/14001/HBG)

The property is a Grade II listed building in the middle of Madeley village. The property was originally one property and has since been converted into two. An `L` shaped plan with the rear section at right angles to the road being known as the White House and not visible from the public highway. However the Building at Risk survey noted that this section of the building had installed upvc windows which had been installed by a previous owner. The council has since been working with the current owner to reinstall timber casement windows. Listed Building Consent has been granted for the new windows and some other minor alterations to the building. The window details have all been agreed. This grant application is for partial reinstatement of timber windows phased due to the cost.

The cost of the work including VAT for phase 1 is £3,737 of which all is eligible work. As the house is a Grade II Listed Building, the work is eligible for a grant of £747, 20% of the cost.

Financial Implications

There is sufficient funding to meet this grant application with approximately £62,000 in the fund, which allows for commitments.

Conclusions

This grant application meets all the Council's criteria for the repair and restoration of the heritage asset. The views of the Conservation Advisory Working Party will be reported to the Planning Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Working Party recommends that the Planning Committee approve a grant of £ 747 for The White House, Poolside, Madeley, subject to the appropriate standard conditions.