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Dear Sir,

CONSULTATION ON NATIONAL LOTTERY APPORTIONMENT

The Institute of Historic Building Conservation (IHBC) is the professional body of the United Kingdom representing conservation specialists and historic environment practitioners in the public and private sectors. The Institute exists to establish the highest standards of conservation practice, to support the effective protection and enhancement of the historic environment, and to promote heritage-led regeneration and access to the historic environment for all.

The Scottish Branch of the Institute welcomes the opportunity to comment on this consultation paper and has the following comments to make on the document. We fully support the Government's intention to revise the National Lottery funding apportionment, in particular to restore to 20% the funding towards (national) heritage projects, as originally envisaged. Answers to the specific questions posed in the consultation follow.

- ***How would the change benefit you or the sector you represent?*** The Built Heritage sector would benefit from the increase from 16.67% to 20% of National Lottery funding, as more built heritage projects would be able to receive support and more would be able to go forward which would not otherwise have been able to progress.
- ***How would the proposed change disadvantage you or the sector you represent?*** Not at all.
- ***In your view will the change have any adverse or positive impact on particular groups, taking into account race, gender, disability, age, faith/belief, sexual orientation, gender identity and socioeconomic equality? How could impacts be avoided or mitigated. Please provide evidence if possible.*** No.
- ***Do you have any other observations?*** We would observe that in some cases there will be overlap between Heritage projects (& perhaps also Arts or Sports projects) and Community sector-supported projects, and wonder whether there may be scope within new Guidelines, to particularly favour Heritage projects (& perhaps also Arts or Sports projects) bids to the Lottery Fund which are developed with local community participation.

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The Scottish Branch of the Institute would be grateful if you could consider these points in the final Government proposals.

Yours sincerely,

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