



# HADDON HALL

## **Haddon Hall to receive £83,800 from second round of the Government's Culture Recovery Fund**

- **Haddon Hall among more than 2,700 recipients to benefit from the latest round of awards from the £1.57 billion Culture Recovery Fund**
- **This award will secure vital jobs**

Haddon Hall in Derbyshire has received a grant of £83,800 from the Government's £1.57 billion Culture Recovery Fund to help the organisation recover and reopen.

Nearly £400 million has been awarded to thousands of cultural organisations across the country including Haddon Hall in the latest round of support from the Culture Recovery Fund, the Culture Secretary announced today.

After 20 months of being closed, this round of funding will cover essential overheads, including the invaluable members of staff who work at and look after the hall, key maintenance work and vital preparation to ensure the hall is ready to reopen its doors to the public on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.

Over £800 million in grants and loans has already been awarded to support almost 3,800 cinemas, performance venues, museums, heritage sites and other cultural organisations dealing with the immediate challenges of the coronavirus pandemic.

This brings the Government's total investment across grants, capital and repayable finance from the Culture Recovery Fund so far to more than £1.2 billion across over 5,000 individual cultural and heritage organisations and sites.

The second round of awards made today will help organisations to look ahead to the spring and summer and plan for reopening and recovery. After months of closures and cancellations to contain the virus and save lives, this funding will be a much-needed helping hand for organisations transitioning back to normal in the months ahead.

### **Culture Secretary, Oliver Dowden, said:**

*"Our record breaking Culture Recovery Fund has already helped thousands of culture and heritage organisations across the country survive the biggest crisis they've ever faced.*

*Now we're staying by their side as they prepare to welcome the public back through their doors - helping our cultural gems plan for reopening and thrive in the better times ahead."*

**Lady Edward Manners, Chatelaine of Haddon Hall said:**

*“Haddon Hall is a profoundly important national and international heritage site, bringing a lot of tourism into the surrounding area.*

*“Throughout the COVID pandemic, unlike other stately homes, Haddon has not been able to open to the public at all. Aside from our fantastic socially-distanced Artisan Markets, which allowed us to support our wonderful network of artisans last year, the Hall has been closed - our gardens are only accessible through the hall and due to the ancient architectural configuration of the hall, our narrow doors and corridors prevented us from being able to adapt to meet social distancing guidelines.*

*“This second round of funding is so incredibly important to Haddon and all who work here. It means we can open on July 1<sup>st</sup> after 20 months of being closed having retained the many that work and look after the hall and secured Haddon’s heritage for the future.*

*“We can now look ahead with confidence and plan for a wonderful second half of the year.”*

**Ros Kerslake, CEO of The National Lottery Heritage Fund, said:**

*“Spring is definitely here, bringing not only sunshine but that sense of optimism and hope for the future. We are all looking forward to heritage places and other visitor attractions reopening and I am very pleased that we have been able to support DCMS in delivering this vital funding to ensure the UK’s heritage sector can rebuild and thrive, boosting local economies, creating jobs and supporting personal wellbeing.”*

**Duncan Wilson, Chief Executive of Historic England, said:**

*“The value of our heritage sites and the people who run them has been amply demonstrated, as they have provided an anchor for so many of us through the dark days of the last year. Vital grants from the Culture Recovery Fund have helped them survive and will now help them recover, as the places we all cherish start to reopen in the months ahead.”*

The funding awarded today is from a £400 million pot which was held back last year to ensure the Culture Recovery Fund could continue to help organisations in need as the public health picture changed. The funding has been awarded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund and Historic England as well as the British Film Institute and Arts Council England

**Notes to Editors**

At the Budget, the Chancellor announced the £1.57 billion Culture Recovery Fund would be boosted with a further £300 million investment. Details of this third round of funding will be announced soon.

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