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Dear [Redacted]

Creating a heritage hub for Guildford

We have now completed our assessment of your application and it was presented for a decision by our South East England Committee on 18 March 2015.

We have decided not to offer a first-round pass and development grant to your project. I know this will come as disappointing news to everyone who has been involved in developing it so far, and I have set out our reasons below.

Demand for our funds means that we cannot support every good application that achieves the outcomes of this programme. Our Committee for South East England had to take decisions on more projects than the available budget would allow and your application was rejected due to insufficient funds.

Whilst we considered that your project did qualify for support, decision makers felt that other projects demonstrated more urgent need and that demand was insufficiently evidenced in your proposals. They also had particular concerns regarding the match funding target and sustainability of the project outcomes once the project comes to an end.

As we expect strong competition for our funds to continue, we recommend that you should not consider reapplying to us for this project in its current form. If you wish to discuss a revised project at a future date however, please get in touch with our Development Team.

I am sorry that we have been unable to support your project on this occasion but I hope that this explanation is helpful. If you would like us to return any of the hard copy information sent in with your application, please write to Eleanor Iles by 24 April 2015. Please note that we do not keep paper records for longer than one year from the date of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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