

The Current Heritage Development Trusts

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Great Yarmouth Preservation Trust

- Charitable company limited by guarantee, established 1979
- In the decade to 2017, the Trust completed 17 projects in Great Yarmouth, including the creation of 25 housing units
- Service Level Agreement in place with the local authority which also provides staff resources, office space and legal support
- Training, volunteering and community engagement are embedded in all of the Trust's projects. In 2015 the Trust created a trading subsidiary, Norfolk Conservation Ltd., which employs people who have been trained on the Trust's projects. Much of this work has focussed on repairing Great Yarmouth's extraordinary medieval town walls.
- Key delivery partner in Great Yarmouth's High Street Heritage Action Zone, where the repair and reuse of 160 King Street is currently underway.
- Has helped turn around the town's King Street from a 70% vacancy rate into into a vibrant hub of cultural, independent, office and housing uses.
- The Trust has delivered a series of international conservation projects with partners in Bulgaria, Estonia and Taiwan.
- Now working as a HDT to grow and expand its portfolio of assets and grow its influence in the town.

Heart of Hastings Community Land Trust

- Charitable Community Benefit Society, established 2016
- Community-led and community-owned, the Trust delivers housing and workspaces at affordable rents in the 'Hastings Commons', a collection of buildings in the White Rock area of Hastings
- Works in partnership with a local network of social enterprises, collectively aiming to achieve regeneration not gentrification
- Lead delivery partner for the Trinity Triangle High Street Heritage Action Zone, which includes the Observer building - a project being led by its partner White Rock Neighbourhood Ventures, a social enterprise developer.
- HDT status will help the organisation to become more sustainable in delivering its ambitious programme of projects.

Heritage Lab

- Community Interest Company limited by guarantee, established 2018
- Social enterprise start-up operating in Ramsgate, Kent
- Actively exploring potential projects in Ramsgate's High Street Heritage Action Zone as well as other areas of the town.

Heritage Lincolnshire

- Charitable company limited by guarantee, established 1990
- Track record of delivering complex heritage regeneration projects across Lincolnshire, most recently the Old King's Head in Kirton
- The Trust works proactively with local authorities and community groups, providing project development guidance, training and mentoring; and runs a commercial archaeology service.

- Its HDT role will see it focus primarily on Lincoln, where the Trust is working on the Grade I listed Greyfriars project, and Boston, where the Trust has previously completed the award-winning 116 High Street.

Historic Coventry Trust

- Charitable company limited by guarantee, established 2011
- 22 heritage assets owned by Coventry City Council are being transferred to the Trust in phases, including some of the city's best medieval and Georgian buildings
- The Trust delivered the High Street Heritage Action Zones national demonstrator project at The Burges
- Other projects completed during Coventry's year as City of Culture 2021, include the Charterhouse, Drapers' Hall, City Gates and the Lych Gate Cottages at 3-5 Priory Row
- An incredibly ambitious HDT already making a significant impact in the city.

Tyne & Wear Building Preservation Trust

- Charitable company limited by guarantee, established 1979
- Works in partnership with local authorities in North East England
- Track record of completed projects - in recent years these include the Old Low Light, North Shields and St Hilda's Pit Head, South Shields
- Manages the iconic Dunston Staiths on the river Tyne, the largest timber structure in Europe
- Key delivery partner in Sunderland's Heritage Action Zone, where its project at 170-5 High Street West, previously the original home of the department store chain Binns, will see the creation of a music venue and arts centre for local social enterprise Pop Recs and the Sunshine Co-operative grocery
- It's work as a HDT is seeing it grow in influence and ensure that greater sustainability enables it to grow its heritage and community impact.

Valley Heritage

- Charitable Incorporated Organisation, established 2015
- Working on a number of projects in Rossendale, Lancashire
- Member of the Cultural Consortium for Bacup High Street Heritage Action Zone
- First capital project is the conversion of a disused Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank branch in Bacup into work and meeting spaces as well as housing units for local young people at risk of homelessness
- As a relatively new start up, HDT status will enable it to deliver its first capital project and build a firm foundation for future growth.