

Request:

Could you please provide a list of all bids made by your local authority to the levelling up fund.

For each bid could you please provide:

- 1. The date the bid was submitted
- 2. The bid title and a brief description of what the bid was for, if available
- 3. The amount of money being requested from the fund
- 4. The name of any external contractors used in the bid
- 5. The amount paid to each of the external contractors used in the bid
- 6. The total estimated cost to the local authority of putting the bid together

Response:

1. We submitted 2 bids to the Levelling Up Fund Round 2, they were submitted on 2nd August 2022

2. Unlocking the Fish Quay

The bid focused on the Fish Quay as a visitor destination and looked at implementing measures to further increase footfall, and improve linkages to the Town Centre, with a particular reference to the relocation of the ferry landing.

There are three key elements to the bid:

- Relocation of Shields Ferry terminus to the Fish Quay.
- Reconfiguration of the operational Fish Quay Gut, including market and storage areas.
- Highways and public realm works to improve the streetscape and enhance connectivity between the Coast and North Shields Town Centre.

Revitalising the Heart of Wallsend

The bid focused on developments in and around Wallsend Town Centre, improving public realm and creating better connectivity between key retail, leisure, and cultural sites. In line with the Wallsend masterplan, the bid set out the following objectives:

• Place making improvements across the Town Centre.

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- Southern Gateway work linking Segedunum to the Town Centre via the metro station.
- Active travel links between key assets (e.g. Richardson Dees Park, Segedunum, High Street and key employment sites.)
- Streetscape enhancements to terraced housing areas.
- Segendunum contribution to the reconfiguration and regeneration of the world heritage site.
- 3. Unlocking the Fish Quay £19.46m & Revitalising the Heart of Wallsend £19.63m
- 4. CAPITA and DWF Law provided support on both bids
- 5. CAPITA £74,775 and DWF Law £3,576
- 6. NTC secured grant from the Accelerated Development Fund (ADF) provided by the North East Local Enterprise Partnership to undertake feasibility work and to develop two applications to the fund. No direct funding was provided by the Council.

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