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Restoration Work to Well-Known Pub Thanks to Levelling Up Support

One of Hulls most well-known pubs will undergo restoration improvements following support from Levelling Up Funding (LUF).

The Whittington & Cat on Commercial Road, opposite Hull Marina, has been granted 69,916.69 from Hull City Councils government-backed LUF allocation.

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The money has been awarded to Whittington and Cat Limited to support restoration to the buildings exterior, which has fallen into poor condition.

Roof, brick and chimney repairs are all part of the project which help to not only restore the building, but to ensure that it is also watertight.

Works will also enable The Whittington & Cat to bring back into use vacant rooms which have been deemed unsafe due to exterior damage, whilst also providing further employment opportunities as a result.

The estimate project costs are 167,199.05, meaning almost 100,000 of private capital is being invested.

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Garry Taylor, assistant director for major projects, culture and place at the council, said: The Whittington & Cat is a popular and well-known pub in a prime location, alongside Hull Marina.

The building requires some restoration works and I am pleased that the council has been able to support this project through LUF.

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Notes to Editors

The Department of Levelling Up, Housing, Communities (DLUHC) informed the council on 1 November 2021 that the councils bid for 19.5m of Round 1 Levelling Up Funds (LUF) to support infrastructure and deliver a package of city centre regeneration works had been successful.

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7.5 million of the fund will be used to create a new grant scheme which aims to bring unused floorspace of any vacant or partially occupied property back into use, and to create jobs.

The LUF grant scheme provides match funding for projects undertaken by businesses and property owners that will deliver regeneration within the city centre of Hull.