



SWI Heritage Project

Great news!

Funding The National Lottery Heritage Fund has awarded the SWI a grant of £127,175 to complete and deliver the SWI Heritage Project.

Project Title Scottish Women's Institutes 'Preserving the Past to Inspire the Future'.

Project Timescale November 2024 – November 2026

What is the funding for?

Two new roles

- **A qualified part-time Heritage Manager** To manage and deliver the project on time and on budget
- **A part-time Volunteer Coordinator** To engage and work alongside volunteers
- **Associated costs** Laptops, equipment, IT/tel/office overheads

What is the funding for?

Archiving

- **Project Archivist** Based on 12 months' support (one day a week) straddling Year One and Year Two
- **Digital Outputs** Digitisation of archives
- **Expenses for Volunteers** Based on 70 volunteers

What is the funding for?

Oral Histories

- **Digital Outputs**
 - Digitisation of recordings
 - 10 Podcasts
- **Expenses for Volunteers** Based on 150 volunteers per year

What is the funding for?

Other

- **Training for Volunteers** Additional online sessions
- **Events** Intergenerational craft workshops for young women
- **Contingency** 10% of total budget
- **Evaluation Report** External evaluation

What we are match funding

- **Website** Develop and design a new SWI website to showcase the SWI Heritage Project including areas for accessing the archives and oral histories
- **Events** Deliver a third sector sharing event, showcasing the learnings and successes of the project
- **Ad hoc staff time** To ensure project's success

Summary of Project Funding:

Funded by National Lottery	
Two new roles	£68,385
Archiving Costs	£28,700
Oral History Costs	£14,200
Other Costs	£15,890
Total	£127.175

In-kind support from the SWI	
Website Development Costs	£20,000
Event Costs	£500
Total	£20,500

Immediate next steps

- **Publicly acknowledge grant** Celebrate and raise external awareness
- **Recruitment** Appoint an experienced Heritage Manager and a Volunteer Coordinator
- **Plan** Create a comprehensive project plan
- **Member Engagement** Recruit and engage with volunteer members to get involved in the project

What you can do...

- **Help share the good news** When communications are approved by NLHF please share on all channels
- **Continue to collect oral histories** Your time and expertise is invaluable to the success of the project
- **Think about what you want to get involved with** Perhaps you would be willing to travel to help digitise the magazine collection or you'd rather work from home
- **Smile** This is the start of a bright future for the SWI!