OWNERLESS PROPERTY TRANSFER SCHEME (OPTS): ADVISORY PANEL TEMPLATE

Property:

BV (OPTS) Ref:

Public Body/Local Authority/Community Body:

SCORING TABLE

ASSESSEMENT CRITERIA	SCORING GUIDANCE	IMPACT (tick relevant box)					WEIGHTED SCORE				
		Critical negative impact (subtrac t 5)	Negative impact – potential to mitigate (subtract 3)	Neutral/ positive	0 – No evidence	1 – Verv low	2 - Low	3 - Moderate	4 - Strong	5 – Very Strong	
 1. PUBLIC INTEREST/ BENEFITS: (a) to what extent do the overall vision for the project and the project outcomes align with the aims and objectives of the OPTS and to what extent do the proposals demonstrate the benefits of the project to the local and wider communities This might include but is not limited to: i. Economic/ social/ environmental regeneration ii. Providing educational or economic opportunities iii. Improving mental health v. Improving mental health vi. Providing social, environmental, economic and cultural benefits vii. Providing accessible leisure facilities viii. Providing opportunities for inclusive and sustainable growth (b) what proportion of the local population are likely to benefit from this project? (c) How is the project likely to make a positive contribution to removing inequalities and addressing different needs within the community? 	 25% of score Very strong proposals will make a major contribution to several local outcomes, deliver transformational benefits to the community, with significant public benefit, and demonstrate clear evidence of benefits and steps it has taken to contribute to equalities outcomes. Very low impact proposals will make a limited contribution to local outcomes and have a small positive outcome on community benefit. Proposals may receive a negative ranking if they are likely to impact on the communities capacity to deliver other activities, or have a negative impact on parts of the community. 										0

Panel comments						
2. COMMUNITY INTEREST AND SUPPORT	25% of score					
(a) Has the applicant discussed plans with other local, regional or national organisations?	<i>Very strong proposals</i> will have strong partnership and support from the local authority. Clearly					
	demonstrate strong community engagement and					0
(b) is there demonstrable support for the project within	participation in the project and contribute to the					
the community? How has this been demonstrated?	wider public benefits. Very low impact proposals will not have engaged					
(c) does the project involve the formation of new local or	with potential partners, will have evidence of					
regional collaborations, or the strengthening of existing collaborative networks?	community support but little active engagement and no evidence of contribution to any wider					
	public benefit.					
	Projects may receive a <i>negative ranking</i> if they are likely to have a negative impact on local					
	aspirations, where there is evidence of significant					
	community opposition to the proposals and/or the proposals will have a negative impact on the wider					
	community.					
Panel comments						
3. SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT	25% of score					
Social	<i>Very strong proposals</i> will have addressed economic, social and environmental benefits in the					
	longer term. Discussions will have taken place					
(a) How will the project ensure that the land/ property	between public bodies/ local authorities.					0
can be used for the benefit of future generations?	Very low impact will not have addressed any					v
Economic	economic, social and environmental benefits. There will be little or no evidence of support/					
	collaboration from public bodies/ local authorities.					
(b) how will the project improve the local area for future generations?	Projects may receive <i>negative ranking</i> if they are like to have a negative impact on the environment					
Selectations:	or the local area or region.					

 Environmental (c) how will the project improve environmental outcomes for the local area or region? (d) how will the project contribute to globally relevant environmental concerns such as the net zero 						
commitment? Panel comments						
4. PROJECT VIABILITY(a) Does the applicant have a clear, realistic vision of the project objectives?	25% of score Very strong proposals will have a clear plan, with leadership and other roles clearly identified, clear governance in place, evidence that the level of					
(b) does the applicant have a viable five-year financial plan as to how to achieve the project objectives?	resources and community capacity is appropriate to the scale of the project, a longer-term plan and appropriate reporting and monitoring process. <i>Very low impact proposals</i> are likely to show little evidence of their capacity to deliver the benefits					
(c) is the organisation and project organised in a resilient manner to ensure effective stewardship of the land for the coming years, including monitoring and adjusting project outcomes or management?	identified. Proposals may receive a <i>negative ranking</i> if there is no governance in place, with no clear responsibility for delivery or a lack of resources and sustainability which is likely to lead to project failure, particularly where this may create a liability for the community or for the local authority.					
Panel Comments						

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