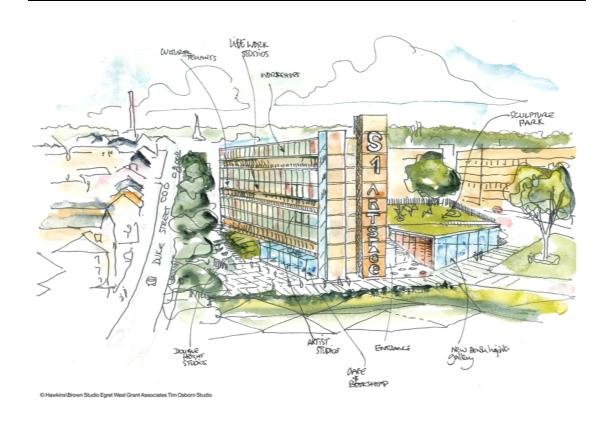
S1 ARTSPACE

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S1 Artspace is delighted at the announcement of £1million to support its ambitious plans to create a major new arts venue for Sheffield



Announced in the Chancellor's Spring Budget Statement this week, we are thrilled to have received substantial financial support from the government to help transform the Duke Street wing of the Park Hill estate into a major new venue for arts and culture.*

This marks an important milestone in S1 Artspace's history and builds on our twenty-year reputation for identifying and supporting artistic talent.

This is currently a £20m capital project with a projected opening in 2020. Our plan is to expand and relocate to the brutalist Grade II* Park Hill estate, to create an ambitious new home for the arts, at the largest listed structure in Europe.

The 70,000 sqft. derelict Duke Street wing of the estate will be transformed to provide a world-class gallery, the UK's first city-centre sculpture park, affordable artist studios, creative workspace, live/work flats, production workshops, education space, archive, auditorium and café.

"We are delighted at this opportunity for S1 Artspace, Park Hill and Sheffield. It has been a huge team effort to get to this point and I would like to extend our sincere thanks to everybody who has helped so far. This is the first major step towards realising our ambition and we very much look forward to the journey ahead." Louise Hutchinson, Artistic Director, S1 Artspace

"This is an exciting project for Sheffield that will provide a fantastic new home for arts and culture at Park Hill. I am delighted to be championing it." Lord Bob Kerslake, Project Champion

S1 Artspace would like to extend its thanks to the following individuals and organisations for supporting its capital plans to date; Lord Bob Kerslake, Arts Council England, Sheffield City Council, Tom Bloxham MBE and his team at Urban Splash, South Yorkshire Community Foundation, Thornbridge Brewery, Architectural Heritage Fund and the Prince's Regeneration Trust.

Further details about our capital plans will be announced over the coming months.

*The £1million support is subject to planning permission

About S1 Artspace

Established in 1995 by a group of artists in Sheffield who wanted to create a different type of arts organisation, one where artists would collaborate, share ideas and create opportunities for themselves. S1 has grown from a modest, voluntary-run studio complex above a thrash metal nightclub, to an organisation now based in a vast industrial warehouse exhibiting work at an international standard.

Over its twenty-year history, S1 Artspace has consistently supported the production and presentation of new work and ideas, and developed a reputation for identifying artistic talent through its commissions-led exhibitions programme and resident studio artists.

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