

Meeting: Cabinet Date: 25th March 2015

Subject: Heritage Statement 2014/15

Report Of: Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture

Wards Affected: All

Key Decision: No Budget/Policy Framework: No

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Appendices: 1. Summary of work carried out by Historic Environment Team

2014/15

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To inform Cabinet of the work carried out by the Historic Environment team in the City over the past financial year.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 Cabinet is asked to **RESOLVE** that the content of this report be noted.

3.0 Background and Key Issues

- 3.1 The Historic Environment team consists of 2 historic building officers (one working 4 days a week). An archaeologist, a Townscape Heritage Initiative Officer and a part time Urban Designer, who with respect to historic buildings delivers lighting projects.
- 3.2 The scope of the team is varied and ranges from development control/enforcement to specific project work. The team has been bolstered relatively recently by the Lottery supported Southgate Street Townscape Heritage Initiative Project that aims to bring historic properties in a designated area of Southgate street back into productive use.
- 3.3 Appendix 1 is a summary of the work carried out by the team over the past year.

4.0 Alternative Options Considered

4.1 The report is for note only.

5.0 Reasons for Recommendations

5.1 The Historic building team carries out a number of functions. The report allows Cabinet to understand the breadth and depth of their work and how they go about ensuring the historic capital of the City is preserved and enhanced for future generations to enjoy and appreciate.

6.0 Future Work and Conclusions

6.1 It is expected that officers from the team will continue broadly in line with the current work load.

7.0 Financial Implications

7.1 There are no financial implications of this report.

8.0 Legal Implications

8.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report

9.0 Risk & Opportunity Management Implications

9.1 Only low risk has been identified as result of this report.

10.0 People Impact Assessment (PIA):

10.1 The screening stage did not identify any potential or actual negative impact, therefore a full PIA was not required.

11.0 Other Corporate Implications

Community Safety

11.1 There are no negative impacts with regard to community safety

Sustainability

11.2 Maintaining the historic capital of the City has a positive impact on the environment of Gloucester and enables the re-use of historic buildings.

Staffing & Trade Union

11.3 No impact.

Background Documents: None