

APPENDIX 1

MAINTENANCE OF HISTORIC BUILT FEATURES WORKING GROUP

TERMS OF REFERENCE

This review is in response to a motion to the full Council meeting on 8 March 2017 on the maintenance of historic built features – moved by Cllr Moylan and seconded by Cllr Palmer: *“That the Council note that there are many built features of historic interest in the Royal Borough, some Listed, some in Conservation Areas, that are important to public amenity but have no registered owner, many mews arches being examples of such, and recognise that it has a responsibility, not legal but as a public body exercising community leadership, to ensure that they do not decay utterly; and that the Council, taking note in particular of the collapsing condition of the historic wall in Kynance Mews, request the Cabinet to consider how it might find resources from the Capital Budget to maintain historic fabrics with no registered owner.”* Debate ensued. The Motion was then put to the vote and was declared by the Mayor to be carried.

In October 2017 a key decision on ‘Reserve for Community Projects to Maintain Unowned Heritage Assets’ (KD05080/17/P/A) was implemented. This decision set out how community groups could access the fund and the criteria that would need to be met in order for the Council to commit funds from the reserve.

Review Scope

- To establish a reliable list of all built features of historic interest in the Royal Borough, listed and unlisted, in Conservation Areas & outside such areas, that are important to the public amenity;
- From the list, to identify the ownership status, the listed status & grade & the state of repair of built features;
- To identify best practice in maintenance of these built features, &
- To explore some options for meeting maintenance costs and consider how resources could be made available to maintain this historic fabric in the medium to long term.

Out of Scope

- Historic built features which have a registered owner. Assets of Community Value are unlikely to fall within the scope of the review.

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External - Researcher

Sources of information and evidence

- Site information
- Conservation Area Appraisals
- Welcome Trust
- RBKC Legal Services

Resources: Governance Services Administrator to arrange meetings and clerk.
Scrutiny Manager to provide support as directed.