

Decision Maker: **DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

Date: **Monday 29th April 2019**

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: **HERITAGE AT RISK UPDATE**

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Ward: (All Wards)

1. Reason for report

The reason for this report is to provide Members with information on Historic England's Heritage At Risk Register, Bromley's entries on the register and our approach to managing these.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

Members are requested to note the contents of this report.

Impact on Vulnerable Adults and Children

1. Summary of Impact: None
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Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy:
 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council Quality Environment Vibrant, Thriving Town Centres Healthy Bromley Regeneration:
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: No Cost:
 2. Ongoing costs: Recurring Cost:
 3. Budget head/performance centre:
 4. Total current budget for this head: £
 5. Source of funding:
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Personnel

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 1
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours:
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory Requirement
 2. Call-in: Not Applicable
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Procurement

1. Summary of Procurement Implications:
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Borough wide
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? No
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments:

3. COMMENTARY

The Heritage at Risk Programme (HAR) is run by Historic England and helps us understand the overall state of England's historic sites. The programme identifies those sites that are most at risk of being lost as a result of neglect, decay or inappropriate development. Every year Historic England updates the Heritage at Risk Register.

The Council has 23 entries on this register

- **Biggin Hill RAF**
- ***Church of St John the Evangelist, High Street, Penge SE20***
- ***Crystal Palace Park SE19***
- ***Iron Age settlement and Roman villa at Warbank, Keston***
- ***Romano-British masonry building and Saxon cemetery, Fordcroft, Orpington***
- ***Pedestrian subway under Crystal Palace Parade, Crystal Palace SE19***
- ***Ice house to Sundridge Park, Plaistow Lane, Bromley***
- ***Upper and Lower Terraces, Crystal Palace Park SE19***
- ***Downe Court Manor, Cudham Road, Downe***
- ***Buildings 1-5 (Airmen's barrack blocks), West Camp, Main Road, A233 (east side), Biggin Hill***
- ***Building 12 (Candidates' Club, Former Sergeants' Mess), West Camp, Main Road, A233 (east side), Biggin Hill***
- ***Building 15, Hawkinge Block, West Camp, Main Road, A233 (east side), Biggin Hill***
- ***Building 33 (Station HQ), West Camp, Main Road, A233 (east side), Biggin Hill***
- ***Old Town Hall, Tweedy Road, Bromley***
- ***Pulhamite waterfall, Stockwell Close, Bromley Palace Park***
- ***The Royal Bell Hotel, 173-177, High Street, Bromley***
- ***Frontage building to Richard Klinger Factory, Edgington Way, Sidcup***
- ***Pulhamite fernery, Stockwell Close, Bromley Palace Park***
- ***Ice house to Old Palace, Stockwell Close, Bromley Palace Park***
- ***91, High Street, St Mary Cray***
- ***North and south railings, Crystal Palace Parade, Crystal Palace Park SE19***
- ***Victorian Folly of 'Medieval Ruins' in Bromley Palace Park, Rafford Way***
- ***Scadbury Manor moated site and fishponds***

There is no single reason why buildings end up on the register but it is often the case that they are buildings or sites that have no clear financially viable end use. The Council's Principal Conservation and the Heritage at Risk team in Historic England work with owners and stakeholders to seek repair and reuse of these structures.

Recent successes have included 20-22 Hamlet Road in Anerley, a pair of early 19th centuries villas with serious structural defects which have now been fully restored. Given ongoing works or existing planning permissions, it is expected that the Klinger Factory on Edgington Way, Sidcup and The Royal Bell in Bromley will come off the register in the near future. Other larger sites such as Crystal Palace Park and RAF Biggin Hill West Camp are subject to ongoing strategic work within the Council's Planning and Regeneration teams. Certain statutory powers relating to Urgent Works and Compulsory purchase are available to the Council but the preference is to work with owners and stakeholders to seek positive outcomes. The use of such statutory powers could also involve significant financial risks to the Council.

A review of the boroughs entries on the register is undertaken every spring. In collaboration with Historic England, this review is currently been undertaken with a view to finalising results in late May. This will then be published on the Historic England website.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Impact on Vulnerable Adults and Children, Policy, Financial, Personnel, Legal and Procurement Implications.
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	