

Appendix 2: Heritage Property Assets within the ownership and responsibility of Gravesham Borough Council (February 2019)

Property	Significance:	Key Actions:
<p>New Tavern Fort, Commercial Place, Gravesend: 18th century fort, remodelled in 1868-72 by the then Colonel Gordon. Part of a network of river defences to protect London. Structures include a series of below ground magazines.</p> <p>Operated on behalf of the council by Thames Defence Heritage.</p>	<p>New Tavern Fort is Grade II* listed building and a Scheduled Monument and is therefore of national significance and of exceptional significance based on its evidential and historic values. The surrounding gardens are of considerable heritage significance and of regional importance.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A condition survey was undertaken in 2016 (Carden & Godfrey Architects, October 2016) and a Conservation Management Plan has been prepared (Wessex Archaeology, May 2016). These were funded with the help of the Coastal Revival Fund. • Priority I items from the condition survey (and other items identified more recently) are being undertaken and managed from within repair and maintenance budgets. Discussions have taken place with Historic England to address remaining issues. • Outstanding issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Additional expertise is required to investigate improvement to the ventilation of the tunnels. Advice from English Heritage is being sought. ○ Guidelines to be prepared for future maintenance by operational volunteers. • Discussion to be held with HLF in respect of funding for completion of priority II, III, IV and possibly V items. Approximately £500k. This will require a strategy for future interpretation and management of the Fort informed by the Conservation Management Plan.
<p>Milton Chantry, Commercial Place, Gravesend</p> <p>Operated on behalf of the council by Thames Defence Heritage</p> <p>English Heritage has guardianship responsibilities for Milton Chantry,</p>	<p>Milton Chantry within the site is a Grade II* listed building and therefore of exceptional heritage significance.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual meeting has been held with English Heritage in respect of guardianship of the property and identified a number of actions in terms of maintenance and promotion of the building.

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ensuring that the building is rain, wind and watertight.		
<p>Gravesend Blockhouse, Royal Pier Road, Gravesend: One of 5 blockhouses built by Henry VIII on the Thames Estuary in 1539/1540 to defend London.</p>	Scheduled Ancient Monument	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gravesend Blockhouse Condition Survey undertaken (Allan Cox, June 2016). This was funded with the help of the Coastal Revival Fund. Re-establishment of maintenance regime and proposals for conservation and consolidation as identified within the report for the brickwork, stonework, ironwork, landscaping, retaining walls, perimeter fence, interpretation and maintenance.
<p>St Andrew's Arts Centre, Royal Pier Road, Gravesend – late 19th century waterside mission chapel.</p> <p>The property is leased by the Council to Gravesham Arts Council.</p>	St Andrew's is a Grade II listed building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A detailed investigation was carried out to the north-western corner of the river wall as issues had arisen from erosion and inappropriate works undertaken in the past. This investigation established the cause of the issues and the extent and method of repairs required (including a cofferdam to enable works to take place within the tidal river). Interim works were undertaken to repair the river wall. Pre-tender documentation prepared. Coastal Revival Funding contributing funding towards preparation. Visual inspection survey undertaken by Carden & Godfrey Architects (July 2018) of accessible external and internal areas. Key repairs required relate to repairs and repointing to various parts of the walls, parapets and stone replacements. Pre-tender estimate for repairs to the river wall of £225,000. Indicative costs of works to the building of c.£100k. Some aspects of the internal redecoration are the responsibility of Gravesham Arts under their lease (currently held over).
<p>Gravesend Cemetery, Old Road West, Gravesend Formerly the Victoria Gardens and then burial ground from the mid-1830s.</p>	Grade II* Park & Garden. Cemetery Gate and Lodges- Grade II Listed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual inspections undertaken of the exterior and interior of the Gravesend Cemetery Chapel and Lodge by Carden & Godfrey Architects (July 2018). Indicative costs of repair –

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	Mortuary Chapel – Grade II Listed.	<p>Lodge £200,000 and Chapel £360,000. Boundary wall – indicative cost of £100k.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions taking place with GBC Operational Services in respect of medium to longer term uses for the parts of the buildings. • Tender documentation to be prepared for the works. • Preparation of a Conservation Management Plan for Gravesend Cemetery to set out its significances in greater detail and to advise on future management and maintenance.
<p>Rosherville Tunnels and Stairs to former Rosherville Gardens, Crete Hall Road, Northfleet</p> <p>Below ground Second World War state of the art civil defence tunnels made use of in support of the riverside munitions and engineering industries.</p>	Stairs Grade II Listed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The tunnels are currently sealed, but ongoing attention and occasional inappropriate access. • Regular inspections undertaken of cliff face and access points. Ongoing works to keep the tunnels secure. • Ongoing consideration of future use in the context of redevelopment of riverside sites in conjunction with Ebbsfleet Development Corporation and developer Keepmoat.
<p>Civil Defence Command Centre (Woodlands Cold War Bunker), Wrotham Road, Gravesend</p> <p>Operated on behalf of the council by Thames Defence Heritage</p>	Grade II Listed Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works undertaken in recent years following major water ingress in 2014. No further action at this point in time.
<p>Town Pier, Town Pier Square, Gravesend</p>	Grade II* Listed Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liabilities fall for repairs, maintenance and decoration fall on the tenant.
<p>Larkin Memorial, Telegraph Hill, Hermitage Road, Higham</p>	Grade II Listed obelisk commemorating the work of parliamentary reformer Charles Larkin (1775-1833). Completed in 1835, the monument is an early	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The monument has deteriorated over time and a recent survey advised of works necessary to prevent further deterioration. • The restoration of the Larkin Memorial and the surrounding area on Telegraph Hill was included as one item in a larger

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	example of the use of concrete in lieu of stone.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> bid to HLF bid for a Landscape Partnership grant, led by RSPB, but this has recently been turned down. Alternative approaches to fund repair are now being considered.
Gravesend Clock Tower, Milton Road, Gravesend	Grade II Listed Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recently restored with the assistance of Heritage Lottery Funding.
Statue of General Gordon, Gordon Pleasure Grounds, Gravesend	Grade II Listed Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No works required at this stage.
Obelisk, Gordon Pleasure Grounds, Gravesend	Grade II Listed Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No works required at this stage.
Statue of Princess Pocahontas in St George's Churchyard, Princes Street, Gravesend	Grade II Listed Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No works required at this stage.
Statue of Queen Victoria in Gravesend Borough Market	Grade II Listed Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recently cleaned and restored with the assistance of HLF funding
War Memorial, Northfleet Veterans' Club, The Hill, Northfleet		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recently cleaned/restored. No further action at this point in time.
War Memorial, Within Windmill Gardens, Clarence Place, Gravesend	Grade II Listed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recently cleaned/restored. No further action at this point in time.
War Memorial, St Peter's and St Paul's C of E Churchyard	Grade II Listed memorial within a closed churchyard.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Works required to churchyard wall. To be funded from closed churchyard budgets. Approximately, £100,000.

Note: The statues of HM Queen Elizabeth II and Squadron Leader Mahinder Singh Pujji are not listed structures and therefore not included in this report.