

## **PROPERTY REVIEW UPDATE**

Property/Project	Current position	Target Date
Corporate Asset Management Strategy	<p>The Property Update report to the Strategy and Resources Committee (S&amp;R) in November 2021 set a timetable for updating the Corporate Asset Management Strategy (CAMS) in 2022. Long term sickness absence and volume of work across the Property Team has unfortunately led to a delay in progress. The strategy will also require input from officers in Tenant Services.</p> <p>The review of the CAMS has begun, the strategy will be updated to reflect the key priorities set for the next five years and identify actions required. The strategy will come back to Strategy &amp; Resources Committee in 2023 for its consideration.</p>	April 2023
Kingshill House	<p>Members will be aware that discussions have been ongoing with Kingshill House Trust for several years about a possible Community Asset Transfer but there have been delays because of the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic upon their financial situation. There have also been changes to the Board of Trustees and senior staff. A Capital budget provision of £50K in 2017/18 and £50K in 18/19 was made as part of an ongoing funding package to help assist the transfer together with a tapering reduction in core funding. It has recently been agreed that the £17,000 outstanding from this capital budget provision can be spent on essential works to the cottage and drains.</p> <p>Following discussions with the Chair and Vice Chair of S&amp;R and senior officers additional time was given for the Trust to finalise their Business Plan. The Trust has a 25-year lease which is due to expire on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024. The council will need to be confident that the board is in a position to take on the freehold and has a robust business plan before a decision is made and reported back to S&amp;R for approval. Committee will be updated in March 2023.</p>	March 2023

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Stroud Cemetery Chapel	In 2020 S&R recommended that the Chapels of Rest be transferred as a community asset to Stroud Preservation Trust subject to a detailed feasibility study, proof of community consultation and compliance with S123 of the Local Government Act. Despite covid, over the last 18 months, the Trust have commissioned a feasibility study and held consultation events. The feasibility report from Donald Install Associates has been completed and is on their website <a href="https://www.stroudpreservationtrust.org.uk/uploads/2/1/9/8/21981304/sccr.01_-_chapels_of_rest_pw_reduced.pdf">https://www.stroudpreservationtrust.org.uk/uploads/2/1/9/8/21981304/sccr.01_-_chapels_of_rest_pw_reduced.pdf</a> this has given the trust clear and current information on the buildings condition maintenance needs and large conservation deficit. The conclusions of the study are that short term uses would be possible with essential works £29-£50K minimum. Full repair and conversion to best contemporary standards would be very costly with estimates ranging from £1.3m to £2.2m. Officers are considering the options and proposals put forward by SPT and will prepare a report to S&R Committee	March 2023
Old Town Hall	Is a Grade II* listed building comprising of small office units, a meeting room and stores. It is currently underlet and requires modernisation. The Old Town Hall formed part of the successful One Public Estate (OPE) bid. Phase 1 of this project will look at a 4 Listed Buildings including the Old Town Hall where it is hoped to identify and implement energy efficiency measures. The Active Building Centre has been commissioned to undertake a desk based study to identify and categorise the areas for potential intervention for retrofit, to develop preliminary energy models of the Old Town Hall to determine the predicted energy demand and generation and subsequent energy balance for identifying potential upgrade options and then to undertake a whole-life carbon assessment of the refurbishment of the Old Town Hall building as an assessment template for the listed buildings in the project. This will feed into an options appraisal for this asset	TBC
Woodchester Mansion	The Property Review for the mansion was completed and reported to S&R in November 2021. Regular meetings continue to be held with the Trust and members of the Strategic Leadership Team to maintain good partnership working and to consider what the council can do to help the Trust to	

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	reach a sustainable position for the long-term conservation of the mansion including research on and links into other potential sources of funding and support. This is in line with the Council plan objective ER1.4 Work with partners across Stroud district to grow a sustainable visitor economy, including the night-time economy, walking and cycling, culture and leisure attractions. In March 2022 the Community Services and Licensing Committee awarded the trust a grant of £50K towards their ongoing building conservation objectives.	
Public conveniences	The first stage of this review, to have initial conversations with Town and Parish Councils took place in 2020. All said that the PC's in their town or parish are an important local facility that should be retained. The second stage, to install counters to obtain accurate data on the number of people using the facilities was delayed because of Covid. It is anticipated that this work will be carried out in late spring/early summer 2023 before identifying options and making a recommendation to S&R in late 2023	Nov 2023

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