

Report of the Chief Planning Officer

**PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT
1990
APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT AID TOWARDS REPAIRS TO HISTORIC
BUILDINGS**

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To update Committee on the situation in respect of grant aid towards repairs to historic buildings in accordance with the approved officer delegation agreement.

2.0 Background

2.1 The last report to Committee was on 3rd October, 2001, when following approval of grants totalling £13,034, a balance of £1,757.95 remained available for allocation.

2.2 The fund for 2002/2003 was £18,580. Savings on completed repairs etc. meant that £22,920.95 was available for allocation at 1st April, 2003.

2.3 A grant for repairs to the head of the stair turret at Greenham Barton, Greenham was declined, giving a revised balance of £28,080.95.

3.0 Approved Grant Aid Applications since 1st April, 2003

3.1	2A Silver Street, Wiveliscombe – reroofing	£3,225
	Old Post Office, Stoke St Mary – partial reroofing	£3,447
	Nynehead Court, Nynehead – repairs/reroofing of Housing to furnaces of Orangery	£2,045
	East Braynes, Wiveliscombe – repair of thatch to gazebo	£0,413
	Abbotsfield House, Wiveliscombe – reroofing of barrel vault	£2,000
	Georges Farmhouse, Cutsey – (recon) window replacements	£0,493
	Jeanes Farmhouse, Bradford on Tone – partial rethatching	£2,672
	Japonica Cottage, Rumwell – complete rethatching	£4,475
	Meare Court, Meare Green, Wrantage – partial reproofing	£2,979
	5 Mount Terrace, Taunton – reproofing	<u>£2,000</u>

Total £23,749

4.0 Summary of Financial Position

4.1 Given the above there is a balance of £4,331.95 available for allocation during the current financial year.

4.2 Due to the number of grants offered, and with outturn costs uncertain, formal consideration of the 13 new applications so far received, have been deferred until the financial year 2003/2004. A number of applicants have however been given without prejudice authority to proceed. It is very likely that the applications received, but not formally considered, will fully commit next years fund, therefore subsequent enquirers are being advised that funding for repairs are very unlikely to be available until 2004/2005.

5.0 **Completed Repairs**

5.1 Repairs have been satisfactorily completed and the appropriate money authorised in respect of:-

Lodge Farmhouse, Durston - reroofing
Trowell Farmhouse, Chipstable - partial rethatching
6 Westford Court, Wellington – reproofing
43 Staplegrove Road, Taunton – reproofing
74 Staplegrove Road, Taunton – reinstatement of front boundary wall
Greenway Thatch, Monkton Heathfield – rethatching of rear slope
Greenham Barton, Greenham – roof valley replacement
East Braynes, Wiveliscombe – thatch repairs to gazebo
5A Mount Street, Taunton – various repairs
Adsborough House, Adsborough – various repairs
Lydeard Down, Lydeard St Lawrence – thatch and render repairs
Nynehead Court, Nynehead – reroofing of housing to Orangery
funnances
Abbotsfield House, Wiveliscombe – reroofing of barrel vault
5 Mount Street, Taunton – reroofing
Georges Farmhouse, Cutsey – replacement windows

5.2 **Recommendation**

The Committee is asked to note the report, which is for information only.

In preparing this report the Planning Officer has considered fully the implications and requirements of the Human Rights Act 1998.

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