

**APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (HISTORIC BUILDINGS GRANTS)
FROM THE CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE FUND – 1 ALBERT TERRACE,
WOLSTANTON (REF: 19/20003/HBG) AND WALL TO REAR OF FIVE STEPPES, MAIN
ROAD, BETLEY (REF: 19/20005/HBG)**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the following grants are approved:-

- 1. £381 Historic Building Grant be given to carry out sash window repairs to 7 windows at 1 Albert Terrace, Wolstanton, subject to the appropriate standard conditions**
- 2. £1,067 Historic Building Grant be given to rebuild and make safe the former estate wall to the rear garden of Five Steppes, Betley subject to the appropriate standard conditions**

Purpose of report

To enable members to consider the applications for financial assistance.

1. Albert Terrace, Wostanton

The property is within Watlands Park Conservation Area and located on the corner of Albert Terrace and Silverdale Road. Built in a buff brick this semi-detached pair sits prominently on the corner adorned with decorative red brick window heads with key stones, moulded string course between the first and second floor, dentil course and fine brick faience work over the doorways. It also has original sash windows.

The owner proposes to refurbish the 7 sash windows on the property and has received 2 quotations for the work. Following the work all of the windows repaired will be fully functioning. The cost of the work is estimated at £3,813 including VAT.

2 Wall to the rear of Five Steppes, Main Road, Betley

A brick wall has partially collapsed to the rear of a property fronting Main Road. It is part of the former estate walls of Betley New Hall and runs along much of the road on the east side. Part of the same wall behind the telephone exchange collapsed in 2013 and was rebuilt.

This section forms the boundary wall of two properties and the respective owners intend to rebuild the wall to the same design. The remainder of the wall which is still leaning and dangerous will be taken down, new footings formed, reclaiming the bricks, dressing for reuse.

The wall will be rebuilt to the same design and height reusing or sourcing new coping stones. Two quotations have been received for the work and the lowest quotation for the work is £10,668 including VAT. As a structure on the Register of Locally Important Buildings the rebuilding of this historic estate wall is supported.

Historic buildings and structures are entitled to apply for up to a maximum of £5,000 from the Conservation and Heritage Grant Fund. Buildings within Conservation Areas or on the Register of Locally Important Buildings, as in these cases, are eligible to apply for 10% of the cost of such work.

Financial Implications

There is sufficient funding to meet this grant application with £26,000 in the Fund; allowing for commitments.