

THE “UNLOCKING BUCKINGHAMSHIRE’S PAST” AND THE FUTURE OF THE SITES AND MONUMENTS RECORD

To: Buckinghamshire Countywide Archaeological Advisory Committee

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A. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1 To advise the CAAC of potential new legislation giving SMRs a statutory status, report the conclusions of a data audit of the Bucks SMR and to seek approval for a strategy for its future development.

B. PROPOSED ACTION

2 The Committee is invited to:

- a) **NOTE** the contents of the attached briefing note
- b) **SUPPORT** proposals for a new post to address the deficiencies identified
- c) **ENDORSE** the proposal to submit a bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund for the “Unlocking Buckinghamshire’s Past” SMR outreach project and
- d) **APPROVE** the setting up of a Project Steering Group as sub-committee of CAAC.

C. RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

- 3 See briefing note.

D. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4 See briefing note.

E. BACKGROUND PAPERS

A Future for our Past (The Buckinghamshire Archaeological Management Plan).

Lords Hansard 18th January 2001 (Debate on the Culture and Recreation Bill)

Power of Place: The Future of the Historic Environment

Protecting Our Heritage (1996 Green Paper)

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