

## **QUARRENDON SCHEDULED ANCIENT MONUMENT ACCESS MANAGEMENT & INTERPRETATION PLAN**

### **1.0 Purpose**

0.1 The purpose of this report is to provide additional information on Phase 1 of the implementation of the Access and Interpretation Plan for the Quarrendon Scheduled Ancient Monument, as requested at the September Scrutiny Committee.

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### **2.0 Recommendation/For decision**

2.1 Members are asked to note the report and, in light of costs and funding implications, recommend to Cabine

- Discussions are held with the Oxford Diocesan Board of Finance
- funding for Phase 1 of the project
- Work with the MDA developers to ensure coordination of funding and works

### **3.0 Background**

2.1 The Access and Interpretation Plan for QSAM recommends a number of capital and revenue items.

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#### **Environmental Stewardship**

DEFRA's Environmental Stewardship replaces the Countryside Stewardship Scheme. It has two tiers of payment lower level payment is for a flat rate of £30 per hectare could cover the whole . The rates for the higher level payments are yet to be announced, are for specific items such as hedgerow restoration and hay meadow management.

It is estimated that an annual payment of £ plus £30,000 for one-off capital items be received

#### 4. **Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF)**

Officers have contacted the to see they could contribute towards the costs of the works. HLF will not give a definitive view on whether they would give funding without our going through the formal application procedure. However, they have expressed interest in the proposal and it does fit in with their objectives of supporting heritage, encouraging access, providing information. The elements of the Plan which support the heritage elements archaeological investigations and the access works



Officers have been in discussion with both Berryfields and Weedon Hill Landscape Architects to ensure that anti- measures are put in place, at both entrances to the QSAM and on the open space associated with the

consideration has been given to the issue of vandalism.

## **.0                    Response to Key Aims**

**Public areas that are well maintained and enhanced** – linked to the access improvements and management changes for Aylesbury Linear Park

**Ensuring high quality, sustainable development that minimises the impact on the environment** - Ensure the appropriate level of protection is afforded to areas of particular visual character

**A reduction in the factors that diminish the health of individuals, and an increase in those that promote it** - To ensure the cultural infrastructure is developed to meet the needs of a growing district

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Background Documents:

AFA Report

Reports to sub group 2002 – 2004