City Surveyors Update

Officers from the City Surveyors Department have provided the following updates:

14.St Alphage House – Renamed London Wall Place

Brookfield Multiplex are making good progress with the construction of the new buildings. Completion is anticipated in May 2017. More information is contained in Brookfield Multiplex monthly newsletter sent out to adjacent Barbican residents and on the project website www.londonwallplace.com.#

The City Wall at St Alphage Garden which is a Scheduled Monument is currently in part inaccessible and will be re-surveyed when the adjacent scaffolding is taken down by the developer, which is programmed to take place this autumn. Until then, the planned conservation work led by the City Surveyor's Department in conjunction with the developer and Historic England, cannot be progressed.

15. Conservation of the remains of the City Wall - Bastions 14, 13, 12, 11A and adjacent Wall

Remedial work is to be carried out on the Bastion 11A (by the lake near The Postern), following the defects inspection in November 2015 and a further inspection with Historic England on 20th April. Initially the conservators will clear the areas where the mortar has failed to bond for further monitoring. Subject to re-inspection the remedial work is planned for September 2016.

The long-term maintenance proposals continue to be developed in consultation with the City's Open Spaces and Historic England, which consider abseiling to provide safe access to control plant growth on the walls in order to protect the Scheduled Monument.

16.Bastion 13

The BEO has reported that rough sleeping on the mound last year has stopped after the person was given sheltered accommodation. The debris left behind is now to be cleared by the City Surveyor's contractor, as well as extending the existing chestnut paling fence to reduce the ease of access onto the mound and thus reducing the likelihood of damage to the Scheduled Monument. The fence is a temporary measure until permanent landscaping is provided to allow safe access to this area.

17. City of London School for Girls: Gymnasium Extension

Works were completed on programme and the final accounts are now being agreed.

18.Bernard Morgan Police Section House

On the 6th January the disposal of Bernard Morgan House completed with the grant of a long lease to Taylor Wimpey Central London. Discussions are currently ongoing between the Corporation's planners and Taylor Wimpey in relation to their proposal to demolish the old Section House and construct multiple residential units within the City.