City Surveyors Update

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

11. St Alphage House – Renamed London Wall Place

The developer of the site, Brookfield Multiplex, anticipates completion of their works in May 2017, with more information available in the monthly newsletter and on the project website www.londonwallplace.com.#

Most of the conservation work needed to the City Wall in St Alphage Garden, which is a Scheduled Monument and on the HARR (Heritage At Risk Register, as published by Historic England), will be Section 106 funded. The extent of the works needed will be reviewed after the adjacent scaffolding is taken down, estimated in the autumn 2016. The conservation works programme is led by the City Surveyor in consultation with the developer, Department of Built Environment (who are designing the re-landscaping of the garden) and Historic England.

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

Remedial work on the Bastion 11A (by the lake near The Postern), following the defects inspection, has now started in consultation with Historic England. Initially, the conservators carried out preparatory clearance in June 2016, where the mortar has failed, with a trial of new protective capping due to take place in August. 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, Historic England and the conservators, which may involve abseiling to provide safe access to the Scheduled Monument.

13. Bastion 13

The BEO and CS continue monitoring the site, following the rehousing of the person rough sleeping on the mound and the clearance of debris left behind. The extension of the existing chestnut paling fence, which is there to reduce unauthorised access onto the mound and the likelihood of damage to the Scheduled Monument, is being reviewed. It is a temporary measure, which will be removed when a permanent hard landscaping is provided to allow safe access to this area.

Separately, the Barber Surgeons have asked to use non-biocidal methods to remove new plant growth on the inside of the bastion, which the CS is looking into this area in conjunction with the City Open Spaces and Historic England.

14. City of London School for Girls: Gymnasium Extension

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

15. Bernard Morgan Police Section House

The planning public consultation for Taylor Wimpey's proposal to demolish the old Section House and construct just over 100 new private residential units runs until the end of August with a planning decision due in October.