

Staunton Country Park Works to Southern Wall of Storey Gardens

Planning and Heritage Statement

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Introduction:

In July 2017 a planning and listed building application was made for major repair and conservation works across Staunton Country Park. (Ref: APP/17/00736)

This application included works to repair the southern wall of the Storey gardens area of the park. Since the application, it has become apparent that this wall is listing to the South and it has been concluded that structural piers to it's southern face are required to support the wall. This application also includes works to reinstate a number of collapsed piers on the north face of the same wall.

History

Storey Gardens are believed to have been built for William Stone circa 1860-65 as a sizeable kitchen garden. Currently the site is used for the occasional grazing of livestock and as an overflow car park for special events and days with peak visitor numbers.

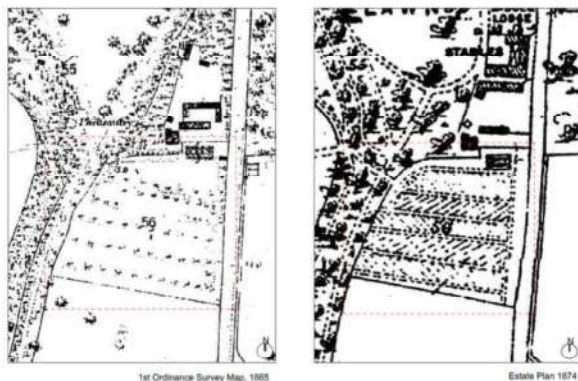


Fig 1: Historic Maps



Fig 2: Construction History

Description

The wall to the southern boundary is built in 9 inch brickwork with intermediate supporting piers and canted brick coping. There is an original opening within the wall, now boarded up, which is surmounted by a raised brick lintol, and a larger gated opening to wards the centre of the wall.



Fig 3: Aerial View

Proposed Works

The works comprise new tapered brick piers to the Southern elevation at 3m centres to the Eastern half of the wall, and the reinstatement of 4No. piers to the northern elevation. Please refer to appended drawings.

Justification and Mitigation

The Eastern end of the southern wall of the Storey gardens is listing and without intervention it is possible it may collapse. These works are therefore proposed in order to conserve the wall and arrest any further movement. The works include general repairs, including removal of foliage, replacement of copings and reinstatement of collapsed piers within the gardens.

Ecology

A detailed Ecology report including surveying was carried out as part of the above application ref: Ref: APP/17/00736, which included the Storey Gardens area, and this information is included as part of this application.

Trees

A detailed tree survey is included as part of this application. Two of the proposed new piers are located within the root protection zone of T23, and it is proposed that excavations for these piers is carried out by hand and in consultation with the arbocultural officer.