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Key Activities

Work with partners and key stakeholders with a view to agreeing and implementing an audit of the local environment to inform delivery and monitoring of the creation of a long-term protection and improvement plan

In reviewing the suggestions from the conference, several themes emerged relating to (i) council procurement, (ii) public information and marketing, (iii) regeneration and (iv) council policy. An action plan was presented to the <u>February 2019 Policy & Scrutiny Committee</u> for Regeneration, Housing, Planning and the Environment of agreed priorities that could be progressed in 2019 with existing resources. The Action Plan was welcomed, and an update will be provided to the committee in September 2019

Consider the opportunities for securing the long-term sustainable access to the Island's historic collections

On 22 February 2019, the consultants delivered stage 1 of their commission; in addition to the building and structural survey, this included six high level options for the relocation of the record office into the Westridge centre.

These were reviewed and evaluated by the Strategic Manager for Commercial Services, Heritage Service Manager and Principal Officer for Corporate Property Maintenance. Based on the pros and cons of each option it was agreed that option 1A should be taken through to stage 2; this was the most cost-effective solution with minimum disruption to existing building users, whilst meeting the requirements for museum accreditation. This option will also include the creation of a conference room and additional general use office space.

The stage 2 report will be submitted on 3 May 2019. This will include a review of the physical fire compartmentation within the building, specific premises fire strategy and risk assessment to inform the technical design of the required upgrades needed and a fully developed building services outline specification (RIBA stage 3). The second stage information will conclude with a detailed cost appraisal which will be used to inform funding bids for the project. An outline project programme covering detailed design / procurement and construction stages will also be supplied.