

REPORT

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HISTORIC BUILDING REPAIR GRANT FOR CROMWELL MANOR, SUTTON MANDEVILLE

Reason for Report to Committee:

Member application.

Report Summary:

The report outlines the condition of Cromwell Manor and recommends that a grant offer be made.

The Condition of the Building:

Cromwell Manor is a mid-17th century detached stone built house with thatched roof. The building was grade II listed on 27 July 1985.

The thatch is in very poor condition on the ridge of the north-east and north-west elevations, and below the dormer windows. The thatch is combed wheat reed, and the applicants propose to renew the ridge and areas below the dormers with matching materials.

Cost of the Repairs:

Three quotes for the work have been submitted, the cheapest of which is for £2,200. The Historic Building Repair Grants are calculated as 25% of the cost of the lowest quote.

Recommendations:

The repairs are required in the immediate future in order to prevent damage to the substructure of the roof. It is considered that the repairs would lengthen the life of the roof.

It is recommended accordingly that a grant offer of £550 be made towards the cost of the repairs, this amount being 25% of the lowest quote.

Background Papers:

None.

Implications:

- **Financial: £550 from the Historic Building Grant budget.**
- **Legal: None.**
- **Human Rights: N/A.**
- **Personnel: The grant to be administered by the Conservation Team in the usual manner.**
- **Community Safety: N/A.**
- **Environmental implications: N/A.**
- **Council's Core Values: Being environmentally conscientious.**
- **Wards Affected: N/A.**