ADVICE FOR OWNERS Of Listed Buildings in Banff

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Listed Buildings in Scotland have been placed on a National register because of architectural merit, historic significance or because they form a vital part of the landscape. Banff is particularly fortunate in having several excellent examples of Georgian architecture which attracts visitors to the town.

Historic Scotland, the Government Agency responsible for Listing buildings, has set out the reasons for creating Conservation Areas and for Listing buildings and these can be consulted, along with a complete record of all Listed Buildings in Banff, at the Town House, Low Street, Banff, during office hours or on the Historic Scotland website.

Owners of Listed Buildings take pride in ensuring the asset they have is maintained to preserve the structure and uphold the market value.

Traditional materials such as stone, lime, slates or pantiles, and wood are those normally used in the construction of Listed Buildings in Banff. Any repairs or replacement should be carried out in the same material and to the same detail as the original.

Modern substitutes such as plastic or aluminium are not acceptable and can prevent an owner from receiving financial assistance.

Owners can receive financial assistance to carry out repairs to the historic fabric, to reinstate architectural detail and for windows from the Banff Renaissance Project which was set up in 2007 to provide advice and help for house owners in the historic heart of Banff.

Aberdeenshire Council Care & Repair Service is also available for ratepayers. For advice please phone: 01358 721672.

Details and application forms can be obtained from: Christine Pert

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Historic Scotland

Historic Scotland, the official department which lists sites and property in Scotland, issues helpful information booklets on all aspects of traditional building. With titles such as *Rising Damp, Lime Harling, Caring for Cast Iron, and Stone Cleaning*, the booklets give advice and practical knowledge for owners.

Available from:

Historic Scotland, Longmore House, Salisbury Place, Edinburgh, EH9 1SH.

Tel: 0131 668 8600

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The Banff Preservation & Heritage Society was founded in 1965 to preserve the architectural heritage of Banff and surrounding district, and to encourage interest and appreciation of the buildings, traditions and history of the Royal and Ancient Burgh of Banff.

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