BOSTON BIG LOCAL

Project:		Public Realm Improvements	
Lead delivery partner:		Boston in Bloom	
Theme:	Creating a more attractive environment	Priority:	2
Activity:	Removal of Five Lamps, renovation works and re-siting in Central Park and works associated with making good the removal site.		
Cost Code	2.2.2		

EXPECTED OUTCOMES OF THEME AND PRIORITY:

- The Lamp is in poor condition. It will brighten up the park by its installation and rewiring. It is an important part of Boston's recent history, and with the connection to the park already (The donor to the Borough Cllr Day donated the park gates too) it is a fitting place for it to go.
- We will use local firms for the repairs and installation. With luck the firms may have young apprentices who will be able to learn blacksmithing skills necessary for repair of the iron work.
- The Lamps belong to the Borough but have been neglected. As part of Central Park it will be regularly seen and serviced and saved for Boston residents.

Reporting period	April to June 2022	Number and age	Wide benefit –
dates:		of people	significant impact
		benefiting from	on both residents
		the project	and visitors
		during the	
		reporting period:	

Introduction

Aim: - With the importance of the Five Lamps to Boston and the revival of Central Park, it will be a lasting contribution by Boston Big Local and Boston in Bloom to the public realm work of both organisations.

Activities undertaken during reporting period

Our pre application has gone into the Borough Planning Office and has been considered. We now have the details of what is needed for the full planning application. There is a lot of work to do on this. We are also looking for the engineers who are capable of carrying out the work on this listed lamp.

 We have sent our preliminary request to four local engineering firms asking them to quote as follows:

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- Carry out a condition survey
- Remove from Liquorpond Street making ground good
- Dismantle lamp including internal electrics
- Shot blast lamp and repair top
- Source new lights. Advise on whether to add directional lamps
- Repaint in original colours (Boston in Bloom to research)
- Rewire

Install in Central Park, Boston

One engineering firm came back to us within 24 hours to say they were unable to help. The others have yet to reply. We have had a quote for the trenches and base in the park. We will continue to follow up our request. We are also sending the request to another local firm.

The following comments are the conditions for the planning application

- Application form; Site location plan (1:1250) identifying the two separate sites; Existing and proposed site plan (1:500) for the two separate sites;
- Existing elevations (1:50 or 1:100); Proposed elevations (1:50 or 1:100) allows for annotations on the drawing showing any repair work; Details and specification of materials; Design and access statement; Heritage Statement; Methodology for the repairs/ schedule of works Planning Statement (can be combined with Heritage Statement); Detailed Landscaping Scheme (can be incorporated into site plan) for the two separate sites; Planning application fee: £262.00 (LBC fee exempt).

We now have a draughtsman who will prepare the drawings of the lamp adhering to the conditions required. I have prepared a heritage report. As you can see it continues to deteriorate. All the advice so far has been free, so no money spent.



