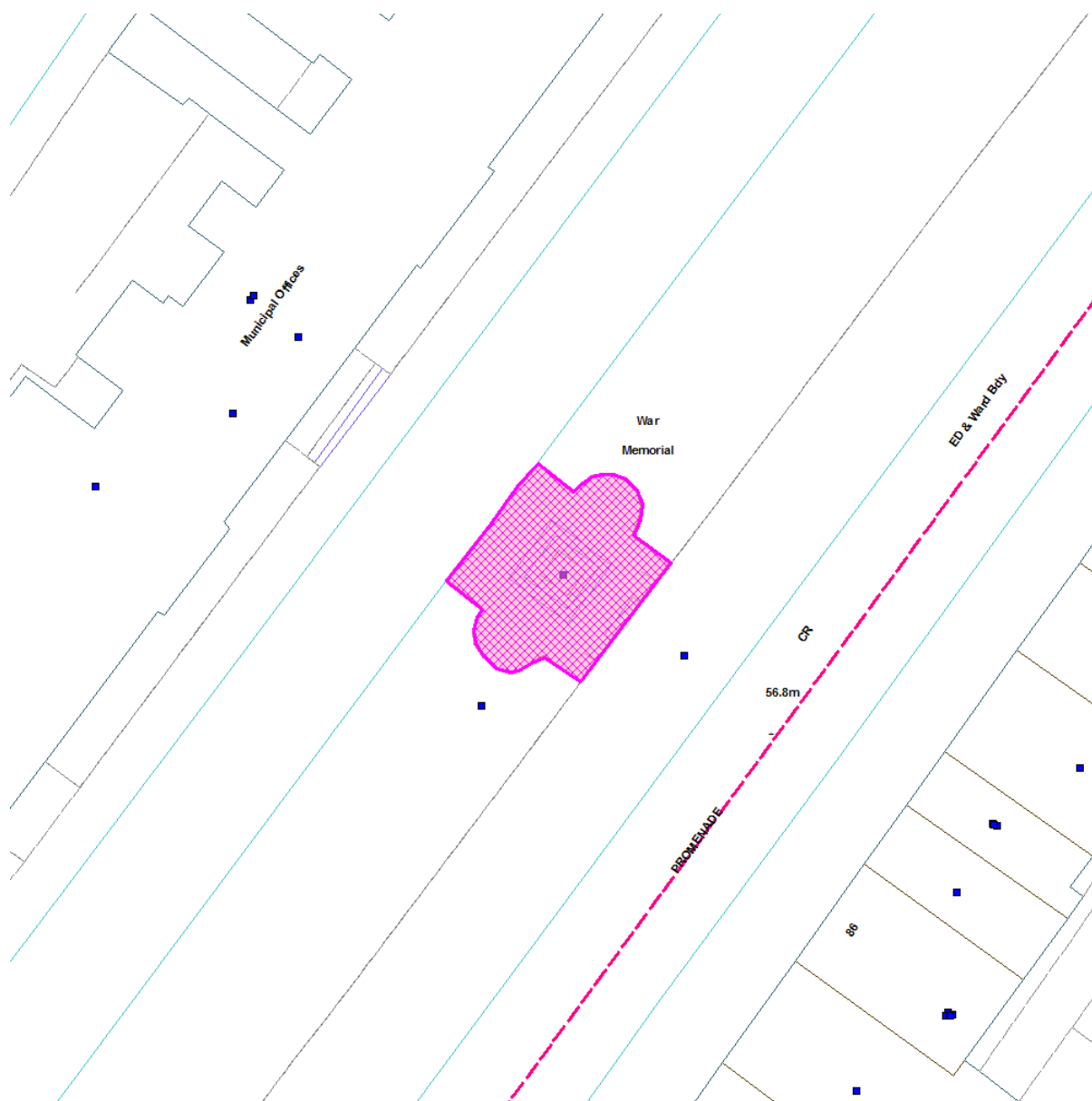


<b>APPLICATION NO: 16/01290/LBC</b>		<b>OFFICER: Mrs Ullin Jodah McStea</b>	
<b>DATE REGISTERED:</b> 19th July 2016		<b>DATE OF EXPIRY:</b> 13th September 2016	
<b>WARD:</b> Lansdown		<b>PARISH:</b>	
<b>APPLICANT:</b>	Cheltenham Borough Council		
<b>AGENT:</b>	Cheltenham Borough Council		
<b>LOCATION:</b>	Cenotaph, Promenade, Cheltenham		
<b>PROPOSAL:</b>	To renew 4no. lamps with 4 purpose fabricated globe lamps and caps		

**RECOMMENDATION:** Grant



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## 1. DESCRIPTION OF SITE AND PROPOSAL

- 1.1 The War Memorial is located in a prominent position set centrally within formal gardens to the front of the Municipal Offices on the Promenade. Previously covered by the curtilage of the Municipal Offices, the Cenotaph was listed Grade II in its own right earlier this year.
- 1.2 The proposal is for the replacement of the 4 metal lanterns on each corner of the war memorial with recreations of the lamps which were a part of the war memorial in the 1920s.

## 2. CONSTRAINTS AND RELEVANT PLANNING HISTORY

### Constraints:

Conservation Area  
Core Commercial Area  
Flood Zone 2  
Smoke Control Order

### Relevant Planning History:

**12/01767/LBC 11th February 2013 GRANT**

Replacement of paving slabs with natural stone paving. Replacement of edging of raised planting bed with Forest of Dean stone plinth. Installation of uplighters and LED strip lights to illuminate Cenotaph and plaques. Repair of plinth steps and balustrade stonework. Replacement of existing lanterns with replicas of those originally installed. Installation of information panels.

**14/01340/DISCON 24th September 2014 DISCHA**

Discharge of conditions 4 and 5 of listed building consent ref. 12/01767/LBC

**15/01604/LBC 10th December 2015 GRANT**

Conservation of the war memorial to include cleaning of the stonework, carrying out repairs to decayed and fractured stone, repointing, re-cutting and re-filling deteriorated letters, and incising 8no. new names to match original style

**16/00728/LBC 8th June 2016 GRANT**

Insertion of a narrow stainless steel flashing above inscription panels

**16/01296/CLBW 5th August 2016 CERTPU**

Cleaning works to the Cenotaph

## 3. POLICIES AND GUIDANCE

### Adopted Local Plan Policies

CP 3 Sustainable environment  
CP 7 Design

### Supplementary Planning Guidance/Documents

Montpellier character area appraisal and management plan (2007)

### National Guidance

National Planning Policy Framework

## 4. CONSULTATIONS

### War Memorials Trust

17th August 2016

Thank you for providing us with the opportunity to comment on the proposals to install new lamps around the Cheltenham Promenade war memorial.

Normally, we would raise a concern about the removal of a historic feature. However, in this instance we are happy for the current lamps to be replaced as they are a later replacement. Having reviewed the proposals we are pleased to see that the new lamps have been designed on the basis of strong historic evidence.

As a result, we do not wish to raise any objections.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

### Historic England

25th August 2016

Thank you for your letter of 3 August 2016 notifying Historic England of the scheme relating to the above site. Our specialist staff have considered the information received and we do not wish to offer any comments on this occasion.

#### Recommendation

This application should be determined in accordance with national and local policy guidance, and on the basis of your expert conservation advice.

If you would like further advice on this application, please contact us to explain your request. Please re-consult us if there are material changes to the proposals. We will then consider whether such changes might lead us to object. If they do, and if your authority is minded to grant consent, you should notify the Secretary of State of this application in accordance with the above Direction.

## 5. PUBLICITY AND REPRESENTATIONS

Number of letters sent	0
Total comments received	0
Number of objections	0
Number of supporting	0
General comment	0

- 5.1 A site notice has been displayed at the site and an advertisement was published in the Gloucestershire Echo.

## 6. OFFICER COMMENTS

- 6.1 The key consideration in relation to this application is the impact of the works on the listed building.
- 6.2 Section 16 (2) of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 requires local planning authorities to have special regard to the desirability of preserving a listed building or any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses.

- 6.3** This application is for the replacement of the existing metal lamps on the Cheltenham Cenotaph with reproduction lamps based on the design of the original lamps that were part of the war memorial in the 1920s.
- 6.4** This proposal is similar to one that was part of an application submitted last year, but which was withdrawn following concerns expressed by Historic England.
- 6.5** Whilst Historic England did not object to the principal of lanterns that 'better represent the historic form of the war memorial' they felt that further evidence was needed to gain a better understanding of the historic form, and that what had been presented was insufficient to justify the change.
- 6.6** This application contains a number of drawings, and photographs of the original version of the proposed lanterns. In addition, the applicant states that during the meetings of the War Memorial Project Group 'part of the discussion revolved around the existing lamps not being the original fitting and they are now reaching the end of their lives and if to be retained would need overhauling and renewal of the electrical parts and general refurbishing, this taken together with the fact they were not the original lamps it was felt by the project group the right time to replace them, and that the opportunity to put in something more appropriate to the original lamps.'
- 6.7** This year both Historic England and the War Memorials Trust were consulted on this application, and the response was quite different. Historic England did not offer any comments whilst the War Memorials Trust response was positive; they had no objection to the replacement of the later lamps being replaced with ones designed on the basis of 'strong historic evidence'.
- 6.8** The proposals in this application will be replace the non-original and deteriorating lamps with ones that are based on the original war memorial lamps. As such they will have a positive impact on Cheltenham's war memorial.

## **7. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION**

The granting of Listed Building Consent, subject to the conditions below is recommended.

## **8. SUGGESTED CONDITIONS**

- 1 The works hereby granted shall be begun before the expiration of five years from the date of this consent.  
  
Reason: To accord with the provisions of Section 18 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
- 2 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the approved plans listed in Schedule 1 of this decision notice.  
  
Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.
- 3 All disturbed surfaces shall be made good using materials to match the existing materials, composition, form, finish and colour of the existing building.

Reason: In the interests of the special architectural and historic qualities of the Listed Building, having regard to Policy BE9 of the Cheltenham Borough Local Plan (adopted 2006) and Section 16(2) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 and Historic Environment Good Practice Advice (note 2).