

Note re Growth Item: Beyond the Castle Site – Maintenance Costs

Works have already taken place at the Castle, such as removal of invasive weeds, which have mainly been funded by the County Council. However, in order to allow for more recreational usage of the area and also to allow for more detailed archaeological and topographical surveys of the site the need for on-going maintenance has been identified, which would need to be funded by the City Council.

As a result, and following meetings with the County Council, an initial programme of annual works has been identified:

Roman Bath House Field

Regular mow to create a circular footpath, 2 cuts with raking up of long grass areas

£2,544

Quay Meadow

Regular mow to create a footpath to rear of properties, 1 cut with raking up of long grass areas

£2,014

Main Field

Regular mowing of prescribed areas, no cut with raking up of long grass areas

£3,392

£7,950 total annual cost

This has formed the basis of the annual growth item of £8K shown in Appendix A.