
Terms of Reference for Restoration Method Statements for Monuments/Items of Cultural Significance

These terms of reference are relevant to statues/niches, monuments, fountains and similar features.

Section 1 – Introduction and Historical Analysis

1. A brief description of the project, current and future use of the monument/item.
2. A brief historical background of the monument/item.

Section 2 – Appraisal, Assessment and Evaluation

1. Description of the monument/item – layout, morphology, materials, construction methods and any other constituting features.
2. Current state of Conservation of Materials such as structural condition, and identification of deterioration mechanisms – mechanical, physical, chemical, biological.
3. Assessment of any original polychromy (if applicable)
4. Any proposed dismantling should be scientifically substantiated, indicating detailed dismantling procedure and reinstatement.
5. Temporary safe storage measures must be given in the event of dismantling.
6. Mapping of Deterioration/weathering forms.

Section 3 – Planning and Briefing

1. Restoration philosophy and methodology in compliance with international conservation conventions and charters and best practice.
2. Planning and mapping of interventions.
3. Specifications on interventions on parts of monument/items and constituent features or fixtures (as applicable)
4. The way services are intended to be re/installed.
5. Monitoring.
6. Documentation.

Section 4 - Drawing Conventions

1. **Plans, sections and elevations** (as applicable) at an adequate scale/s according to the case for details of:
 - (i) Monument/items
 - (ii) Weathering forms (as per Section 2, no.6),
 - (iii) Proposed interventions in Monument/items (as per Section 3, no.2, 3 and 4).
 - (iv) **Alternatively a rectified or close to rectified photograph** of the front back and sides (as may be applicable) may be submitted clearly indicating (ii) and (iii) above.
2. Detailed **photographic record** of monument/item, (as may be applicable), in its present state including all features. This should be cross-referenced to plans/rectified photography to indicate the position from where the photographs were taken.

If there are any departures from the method statement during works owing to unforeseen circumstances, these are to be discussed with the Planning Authority before implementation, documented and submitted to the Planning Authority following completion of works. Applicable Bank Guarantees will only be released following submission of these updates to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority.