

Repair and Conversion Grants Appendix Two: Works Not Eligible for Grant Funding

Demolition	 The removal of any part of the building does not normally qualify for a grant, though exceptionally a grant may be offered for: the careful dismantling of a structure that threatens to damage surrounding historic fabric careful dismantling prior to reinstatement the removal of later additions of little merit which alter or obscure the original design of the building and where careful dismantling is carried out as part of an agreed scheme of reinstatement
Building services	The free-standing renewal of building services, e.g. new heating systems or rewiring (unless integral to conservative repair or where failure to renew or replace building services systems puts the historic fabric at risk).
Substitute materials	The use of substitute materials where the original is obtainable, except in situations where the original materials have failed and will continue to fail regularly if they are replaced like-for-like. In the case of lead and copper where there has been a history of theft or there is a high risk of theft we can assess substitute materials on a case-by-case basis.
Conjectural reinstatement	There is a strong presumption against wholly speculative reconstruction or reinstatement of features that have totally disappeared leaving no archaeological traces, photographs or drawings. Exceptionally, cases may arise where the ground floor façade of a building has been totally lost and the present façade detracts from the street, in which case grant aid may be given towards a well-informed design that is in keeping with its context.
Maintenance and minor repairs	This is work that we would expect to be carried out on a regular basis to prevent the building from deteriorating, such as the cleaning out of rainwater goods, checking of flashings and roof coverings for slipped slates or tiles, removal of plants, redecoration including cleaning of metalwork and regular repainting of joinery.
Work to the public realm	Public realm enhancement proposals for the High Street and Stoke Road are not included in this funding programme.



