**Heritage Statement**

*Feature*

A white wooden balustrade enclosing a small area of flat roof adjoining and accessed via French doors from a first-floor bedroom at the rear of the property.

*Description*

The balustrade is wooden and painted white. The shapes of the spindles of the existing and proposed balustrades are characteristic of the Bedford Park area.

*Significance*

These balustrades are relatively common in Bedford Park. Although there are a number of house types within the area certain elements, such as the balustrades, remain consistent from house to house. This makes it particularly important to maintain this style of balustrade and hence consistency across the area.

*Proposed Works*

The existing balustrade was installed approximately ten years ago with planning and listed building consents. The existing balustrade is rotten and requires replacement. It is proposed that it should be replaced with a balustrade which is identical. The replacement balustrade will have the same spindle shape, rail height (950mm) and spacing between spindles (135mm between centres).

*Possible Impact*

Since the replacement balustrade will be identical to the existing balustrade there will be no impact.

*Justification or Mitigation*

The justification for replacement is that the existing balustrade is rotten and is no longer safe. The mitigation is that the replacement balustrade will be identical to the existing balustrade and in a style consistent with the character of Bedford Park.