

# **CHARTER TRUST FOR THE CITY OF DURHAM**

**26 October 2016**

## **Contribution to costs of covers for Halberds and Mayoral Mace**



**City of Durham**

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### **Report of Bryan Smith, Clerk to the Charter Trustees**

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#### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To inform Trustees of a request by the Mayor's Bodyguard for contribution to cost of supply of covers for Halberds and a case for the Mayoral Mace.

#### **Background**

2. Following recent events at the Cathedral and the Miners' Gala day there has been some concern expressed about accidental damage to the Halberds and the Mayoral Mace whilst in transit from Town Hall to the venues. The Mayor's Bodyguard have organised for a case/ box to be constructed by Ron Clarkson of the Bodyguard to carry the Mace and separately for covers for the heads of the nineteen Halberds by Station Upholstery of Chester Moor.
3. The Secretary to the Bodyguard wrote on 26 September 2016 to confirm completion of the works at a cost of £490.00 for the covers. The Bodyguard sought a contribution to this cost from the Trustees and as the matter seemed urgent the Mayor was approached and confirmed that as the work was to the benefit of the protection the Mayoral Regalia approved a contribution of the full price at £490.00. Arrangements are being made for suitable payment shortly.

#### **Recommendation**

4. That Trustees note and accept this report.

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## **Appendix 1: Implications**

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**Finance** – Detailed within the report.

**Staffing** - None specific within the report.

**Risk** - None specific within the report.

**Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty** - None specific within the report.

**Accommodation** - None specific within the report.

**Crime and Disorder** - None specific within the report.

**Human Rights** - None specific within the report.

**Consultation** - None specific within the report.

**Procurement** - None specific within the report.

**Disability Issues** - None specific within the report.

**Legal Implications** - None specific within the report.