

‘TANTARA’ GATEHOUSE, ABBEY FIELDS, KENILWORTH



The Gatehouse as it might have appeared in the Middle Ages



The vaulted passage of the Gatehouse today

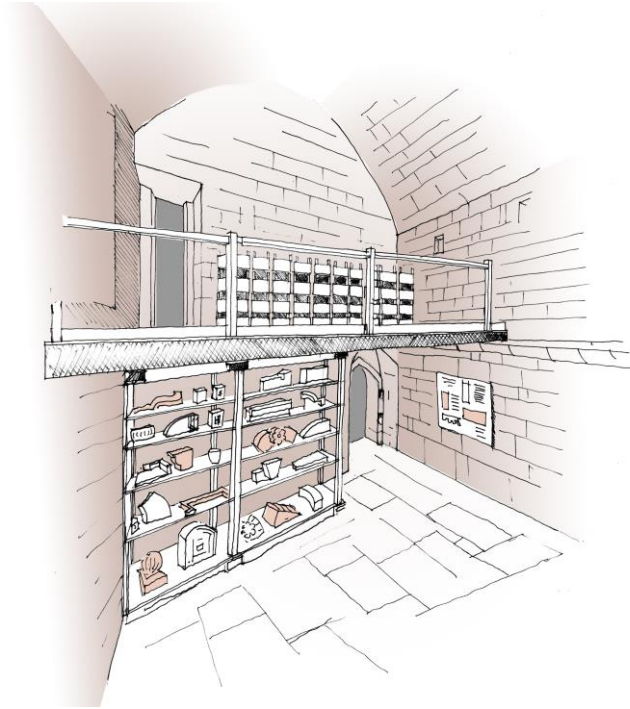
THE HARRY SUNLEY MEMORIAL PROJECT APPEAL

Kenilworth Abbey Advisory Committee is promoting this project to refurbish the vaulted chambers of the Abbey Gatehouse and open them to the public. The Gatehouse is a Grade I listed building, and the most important medieval building in Kenilworth after the Castle and St Nicholas's parish church. The project has been named in honour of the late Harry Sunley FSA, who was the authority on the Abbey until his death in 2011. Harry was a former Clerk to Kenilworth Town Council, past President and Chairman of Kenilworth History and Archaeological Society and past Chairman of the Kenilworth Abbey Advisory Committee.

Currently the Gatehouse chambers are used as a store, and shelving conceals much of the architectural detail. These drawings by Jonathan Holland give an impression of how the chambers could look after the completion of the project.



The outer chamber, with the central octagonal display unit



The inner chamber, with the mezzanine storage platform and bespoke shelving unit

The Kenilworth Abbey Advisory Committee (KAAC) estimates that the cost of the necessary works and equipment will be

£50,000.00

KAAC has no regular source of income, so it needs to raise this money through an appeal to grant-giving bodies, donors and the general public.

The main items requiring funding are:

- the construction of a mezzanine platform in the inner chamber
- a bespoke unit for storage and to support the mezzanine floor
- 40 storage boxes to store carved stones etc on the mezzanine
- a bespoke octagonal display/storage unit for the outer chamber
- electrical light fittings
- display boards
- professional help with removing existing heavy shelving units, floor repairs and archaeological recording

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