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# HOW WE WILL ENHANCE AND PROTECT HERITAGE

CELEBRATING, ENHANCING AND PROTECTING THE HERITAGE OF LIVERPOOL'S DOCKS IS A MAJOR PART OF OUR PLANS.

We understand the importance of the docks to Liverpool's status as a World Heritage Site. However, we believe our proposals for Bramley-Moore Dock do not represent a choice between this development or preserving heritage.

Both can, and should, exist together, drawing strength from one another. As one of the oldest established cultural institutions in the city, Everton Football Club understands the importance of heritage.

Liverpool has a long history of imaginatively reusing abandoned docks and giving them a new lease of life. Our proposal follows this tradition.

Our plans will bring into public use a fascinating part of the city which is currently out of reach to the general public.

One of the key projects we will undertake is to carefully restore the Hydraulic Tower at Bramley-Moore Dock, a historic building which we would like to open to the public for the first time.

We are considering how we can use this tower to tell the history of the Club and site, such as the story of the strong bond which existed between the dockers and Everton Football Club. We welcome ideas on what the Hydraulic Tower could be redeveloped into.

We will also protect the original dock walls and retain a waterway linking the adjacent docks as part of a network.

Our design team is carefully considering how the appearance of the proposed stadium can reflect the dockland setting and be sympathetic to its surroundings. The landscaping around the stadium will reflect the history of the site and reuse dock features where possible.

We are consulting with organisations such as Historic England and Merseyside Civic Society, as well as Liverpool City Council, to ensure our proposals are appropriate and sensitive to the site.

We will also ensure our proposals enhance the restoration and regeneration work which is taking place at the nearby Stanley Dock.

