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Funding agreed for Kinloss Abbey tower

Moray councillors today agreed today to fund urgent repairs to a structure which forms part of historic Kinloss Abbey.

The £15,700 will enable the Kinloss Abbey Trust to carry out masonry works to improve the structural safety of the tower of the Abbot's House.

The ruins of the abbey lie within the graveyard at Kinloss which is owned and maintained by Moray Council.

There are concerns that unless work is carried out to stabilise the tower, it could be in danger of collapse.

The site has been fenced off for some time to prevent public access for safety reasons.

The council's policy and resources committee heard that the trust hoped to acquire the abbey through a community asset transfer and had sufficient funds for a feasibility study with a view to safeguarding the future of the building.

Moray Council area stretches from Tomintoul in the south to the shores of the Moray Firth, from Keith in the east to Forres in the west. The council and its 4,500 employees respond to the needs of 92,500 residents in this beautiful part of Scotland, which nestles between Aberdeenshire and the Highlands.

Famous for its colony of dolphins, fabulous beaches and more malt whisky distilleries than any where else in Scotland, Moray is a thriving area and a great place to live.

Headquartered in Elgin, the administrative capital of Moray.

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