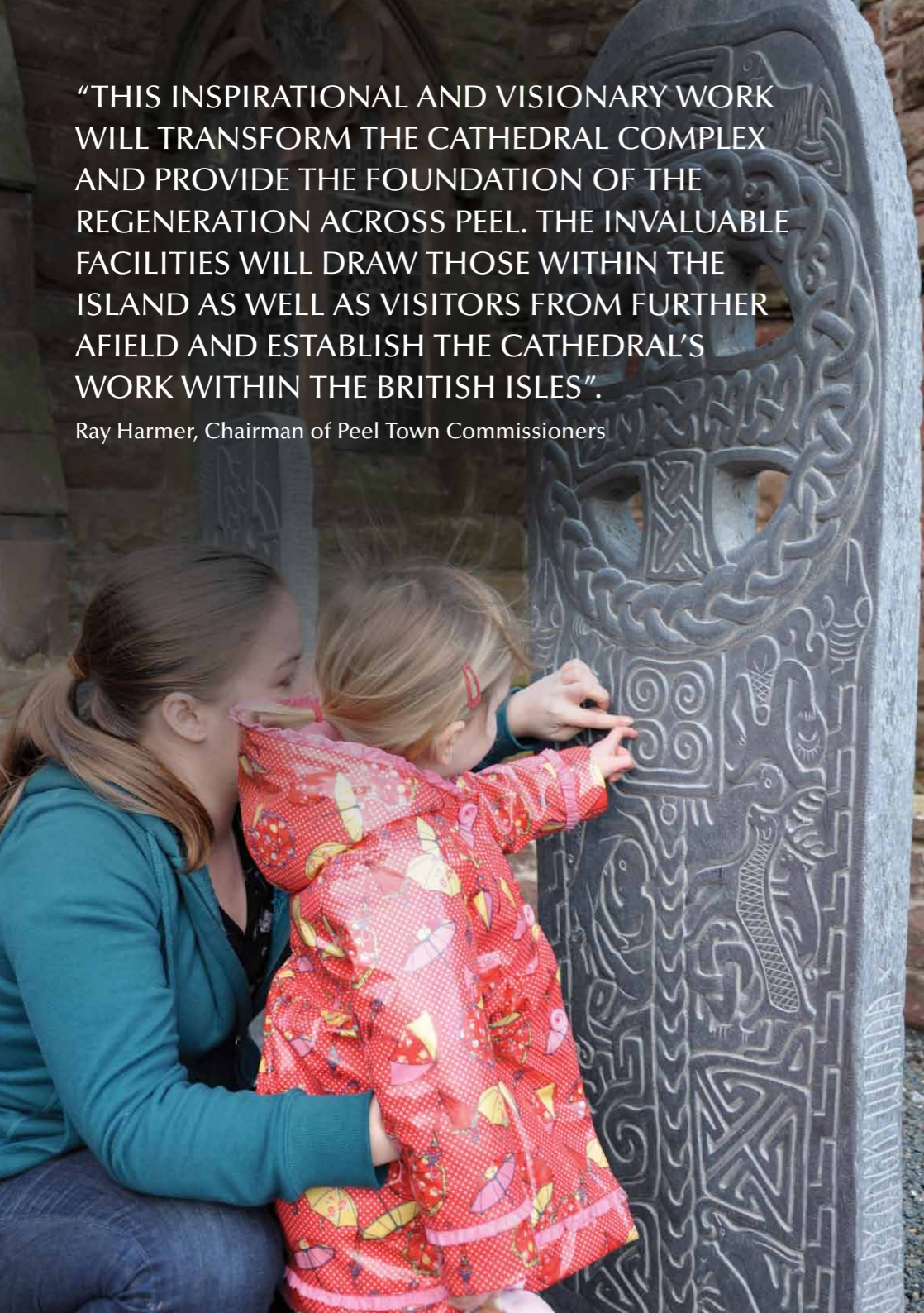


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Ray Harmer, Chairman of Peel Town Commissioners



A UNIQUE VISITOR EXPERIENCE



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CATHEDRAL GARDENS

Through a project totalling £1.95 million, a series of seventeen conceptual gardens will be developed within the grounds. Using visual and interactive methods, twelve of the gardens will tell the story of our Island and how Christianity has impinged on it through the centuries, and five will have special themes.

This development provides a unique learning experience for people of all ages and cultures. Education packs will be developed for the younger generations, offering Island schools the opportunity to enhance curriculum learning, particularly the history, science and language programmes and the delivery of religious education at Key Stages 1 and 2. The Gardens will also be enjoyed by visitors both locally and from overseas, which will contribute greatly to the Island's Faith Tourism developments. Indeed, it gives the opportunity of signposting visitors to a host of smaller sites across 1500 years of history, thus opening up hitherto little known treasures of the Island and contributing to the Island's overall visitor destination infrastructure.

Guided tours will be available for visiting groups and all areas of the Gardens will be wheelchair accessible.

“WHAT A GREAT ASSET THE CATHEDRAL IS, AND TO GROW IT INTO AN INTERNATIONAL VISITOR DESTINATION CAN ONLY BRING A MUCH NEEDED POSITIVE EFFECT TO THE ECONOMY IN PEEL AND ON THE ISLAND”.

Albany House, Local Bed and Breakfast



The project will have two phases. Phasing allows us to prepare the landscape and get the basic planting in place, so that it might begin to mature prior to the detailed gardens being installed. This is particularly important with the hedges that form enclosed rooms on which so much of the impact of the garden depends.

Phase one will provide the basic infrastructure: contouring of the land, building retaining walls, foundations for paths, installation of electricity cables, and some key sculptural features.

Phase two will see the implementation of each of the 17 gardens and the ancillary structures associated with them.

VISITOR FACILITIES

The Gardens will be complemented by the creation of a gift shop and refectory, offering a complete experience for the visitor. Once installed, this project will have a significant impact in sharing an important aspect of Manx heritage and culture, not only in the City of Peel but across the Island and to visitors from overseas.

BE PART OF THE RE-GROWTH

There is the opportunity to direct your gift towards a specific Garden development that appeals to you most. Examples of the Gardens include:

THE CROSS GARDEN – 10TH AND 11TH CENTURY COST: £61,000

Viking invasions to the Celtic peoples was reflected in their art and will be demonstrated in the crosses, highlighting the transition as the Norse population mingles Nordic myth and Christian symbols. Silver coins set in the pavement will represent hoards discovered from this unsettled period, and a fuschia hedge with blood red flowers will reflect the battles such as Sky Hill in 1079.

THE ABBEY GARDEN – 13TH CENTURY COST: £96,000

The Celtic Church after the Synod of Whitby (664) became increasingly subject to the Latin world - A labyrinth will represent these influences of continental Europe. Around the labyrinth a Laburnum tunnel will replicate the scale of the Cloister at Rushen Abbey, the most important monastic house on the Island. The angular elements of the garden around the labyrinth will be filled with herbs used by the monks in their different roles such as that of the apothecary, the Infirmarian and the cook.

THE KNOCKALOE GARDEN – 20TH CENTURY COST: £37,000

Because of its position, the Isle of Man was used as a place of internment; During the First World War, Knockaloe was the largest enemy alien internment camp in the British Isles. Global figures were held in the camp including Josef Pilates with his fitness regime and Archibald Knox, Liberty designer. Central to the garden will be a sculpture which represents the movement from imprisonment to freedom, with inspiration taken from Pilates and Knox. The garden also has a horse chestnut, planted in 2009 on the anniversary of Anne Frank's 80th birthday.

If you would like to make a gift towards Cathedral Isle of Man, please contact the Office via [01624 844830](tel:01624 844830) or campaign@cathedral.im Naming Recognition is available for those funding a whole garden development, and can be arranged by discussion with the Campaign Office.

Be part of the Re-growth – providing a first-class visitor destination