

1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Historic Town of St George and Related Fortifications,
Bermuda

1.2 - World Heritage Property Details

State(s) Party(ies)

- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Type of Property

cultural

Identification Number

983

Year of inscription on the World Heritage List

2000

1.3 - Geographic Information Table

Name	Coordinates (longitude / latitude)	Property (ha)	Buffer zone (ha)	Total (ha)	Inscription year
Historic Town of St George, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.379 / - 64.678	195.7	0	195.7	2000
Devonshire Redoubt, Castle Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.342 / - 64.674	0.214	0	0.214	2000
Landward Fort, Castle Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.34 / - 64.675	0.474	0	0.474	2000
Seaward Fort (King's Castle), Castle Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.341 / - 64.672	0.105	0	0.105	2000
Southampton Fort, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.342 / - 64.669	0.151	0	0.151	2000
St. David's Battery, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.368 / - 64.649	0.487	0	0.487	2000
Fort Popple, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.371 / - 64.65	0.073	0	0.073	2000
Paget Fort, Paget Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.373 / - 64.658	0.222	0	0.222	2000
Smith's Fort, Governor's Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.371 / - 64.658	0.048	0	0.048	2000

Fort Cunningham, Paget Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.373 / - 64.659	0.315	0	0.315	2000
Musketry Trenches, Paget Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.376 / - 64.661	0.078	0	0.078	2000
Peniston's Redoubt, Paget Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.375 / - 64.659	0.115	0	0.115	2000
Alexandra Battery, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.381 / - 64.666	1.245	0	1.245	2000
Gate's Fort (Town Cut Battery), St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.38 / - 64.665	0.079	0	0.079	2000
Fort Albert, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.388 / - 64.674	0.382	0	0.382	2000
Fort St. Catherine, St. George's Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.39 / - 64.676	0.43	0	0.43	2000
Fort Victoria, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.388 / - 64.677	0.745	0	0.745	2000
Western Redoubt (Fort William), St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.382 / - 64.676	0.216	0	0.216	2000
Fort George, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.38 / - 64.683	0.383	0	0.383	2000
Burnt Point Fort, Ferry Reach, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.36 / - 64.718	0.062	0	0.062	2000
Martello Tower, Ferry Reach, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.362 / - 64.717	0.083	0	0.083	2000
Ferry Reach Magazine, Ferry Reach, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.362 / - 64.717	0.081	0	0.081	2000

Ferry Island Fort, Ferry Reach, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.36 / - 64.716	0.187	0	0.187	2000
Coney Island Kiln, Coney Island, St George, Bermuda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	32.358 / - 64.715	0.007	0	0.007	2000
Total (ha)		201.882	0	201.882	

1.4 - Map(s)

Title	Date	Link to source
Historic Town of St George - inscribed property and buffer zone	30/11/1999	
Devonshire Redoubt, Landward Fort and Seaward Fort (King's Castle)	30/11/1999	
Southampton Fort	30/11/1999	
St. David's Battery and Fort Popple	30/11/1999	
Paget Fort and Smith's Fort	30/11/1999	
Fort Cunningham	30/11/1999	
Musketry Trenches and Peniston's Redoubt	30/11/1999	
Alexandra Battery and Gate's Fort (Town Cut Battery)	30/11/1999	
Fort Albert	30/11/1999	
Fort St. Catherine	30/11/1999	
Fort Victoria	30/11/1999	
Western Redoubt (Fort William)	30/11/1999	
Fort George	30/11/1999	
Burnt Point Fort, Martello Tower, Ferry Reach Magazine, Ferry Island Fort	30/11/1999	
Coney Island Kiln	30/11/1999	

1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

- Christopher Young
English Heritage
Head of World International Advice
- Paul Blaker
Department for Culture, Media and Sport
Head of World Heritage

Comment

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1.6 - Property Manager / Coordinator, Local Institution / Agency

- Hugo Frost
Foreign and Commonwealth Office
Desk Officer for Bermuda Overseas Territories Department
- Larry Q. Williams

Comment

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1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

1. [View photos from OUR PLACE the World Heritage collection](#)
2. [The St. George's Foundation](#)
3. [The Bermuda National Trust](#)
4. [The Bermuda Department of Tourism](#)

Comment

WHS has no web address

1.8 - Other designations / Conventions under which the property is protected (if applicable)

Comment

Historic Protection Areas/Listed Buildings

2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Comment

None - a draft SOUV has been submitted to the World Heritage Centre and awaits agreement by the Committee

2.2 - The criteria (2005 revised version) under which the property was inscribed

(iv)

2.3 - Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion

There are a large number of historic fortifications such as Martello Tower, St David's Battery, Fort George, Alexandra Battery, Fort St Catherine, Forts Albert, William & Victoria. The houses in St George have remained as individually maintained structures. Soft limestone is used for construction of walls, including roofs, that are coated with whitewash; the white colour of the roof and pitch help to collect rainwater. The Town of St. George has narrow, winding lanes and alleys.

2.4 - If needed, please provide details of why the Statement of Outstanding Universal Value should be revised

Draft SOUV has recently been submitted because no statement has been previously adopted.

2.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

None.

3. Factors Affecting the Property

3.14. Other factor(s)

3.14.1 - Other factor(s)

None.

3.15. Factors Summary Table

3.15.1 - Factors summary table

	Name	Impact				Origin	
3.1	Buildings and Development						
3.1.1	Housing						
3.1.2	Commercial development						
3.1.3	Industrial areas						
3.1.4	Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure						
3.1.5	Interpretative and visitation facilities						
3.2	Transportation Infrastructure						
3.2.1	Ground transport infrastructure						
3.2.2	Air transport infrastructure						
3.2.3	Marine transport infrastructure						
3.2.4	Effects arising from use of transportation infrastructure						
3.3	Services Infrastructures						
3.3.2	Renewable energy facilities						
3.3.4	Localised utilities						
3.3.5	Major linear utilities						
3.4	Pollution						
3.4.1	Pollution of marine waters						
3.4.2	Ground water pollution						
3.4.4	Air pollution						
3.4.5	Solid waste						
3.6	Physical resource extraction						
3.6.4	Water (extraction)						
3.7	Local conditions affecting physical fabric						
3.7.1	Wind						
3.7.6	Water (rain/water table)						
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage						
3.8.6	Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation						
3.9	Other human activities						
3.9.1	Illegal activities						
3.9.2	Deliberate destruction of heritage						
3.9.6	Civil unrest						
3.10	Climate change and severe weather events						
3.10.1	Storms						
3.10.2	Flooding						
3.10.5	Changes to oceanic waters						
3.11	Sudden ecological or geological events						
3.11.5	Erosion and siltation/ deposition						
3.12	Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species						
3.12.1	Translocated species						
3.13	Management and institutional factors						
3.13.1	Low impact research / monitoring activities						
3.13.3	Management activities						
Legend	Current	Potential	Negative	Positive	Inside	Outside	

3.16. Assessment of current negative factors

3.16.1 - Assessment of current negative factors

	Spatial scale	Temporal scale	Impact	Management response	Trend	
3.1	Buildings and Development					
3.1.4	Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure	localised	on-going	significant	no capacity and / or resources	static
3.2	Transportation Infrastructure					
3.2.1	Ground transport infrastructure	localised	frequent	significant	no capacity and / or resources	static
3.2.4	Effects arising from use of transportation infrastructure	localised	on-going	minor	no capacity and / or resources	static
3.7	Local conditions affecting physical fabric					
3.7.6	Water (rain/water table)	widespread	frequent	insignificant	no capacity and / or resources	static
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage					
3.8.6	Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation	localised	intermittent or sporadic	significant	no capacity and / or resources	increasing
3.10	Climate change and severe weather events					
3.10.1	Storms	widespread	frequent	significant	no capacity and / or resources	static
3.10.2	Flooding	localised	intermittent or sporadic	minor	no capacity and / or resources	static
3.11	Sudden ecological or geological events					
3.11.5	Erosion and siltation/ deposition	localised	intermittent or sporadic	minor	no capacity and / or resources	static
3.12	Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species					
3.12.1	Translocated species	localised	on-going	significant	low capacity	increasing

3.17. Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to factors affecting the property

3.17.1 - Comments

None.

4. Protection, Management and Monitoring of the Property

4.1. Boundaries and Buffer Zones

4.1.1 - Buffer zone status

There is a buffer zone

4.1.2 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.1.3 - Are the buffer zone(s) of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.1.4 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property known?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are known by the management authority but are **not known by local residents / communities / landowners.**

4.1.5 - Are the buffer zones of the World Heritage property known?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property are known by the management authority but are **not known by local residents / communities/landowners.**

4.1.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to boundaries and buffer zones of the World Heritage property

The buffer area/zone was established under the Bermuda Plan 2008 and acknowledged within the draft SOUV. It is the intent to submit a simple boundary modification to include fortifications not currently part of the WHS.

4.2. Protective Measures

4.2.1 - Protective designation (legal, regulatory, contractual, planning, institutional and / or traditional)

Having its own legislature and being a self-governing colony of the United Kingdom, Bermuda has enacted laws protecting historic and cultural properties throughout the islands. As early as 1950, the Bermuda legislature enacted legislation for the protection of buildings of "Special Interest" and in 1974 passed the Development and Planning Act, as revised, that called for the listing of buildings of "special architectural or historical interest," and for the appointment of "historic areas" in which controls were implemented for development. Since then the

government has prepared a planning statement in 1992 that was approved by the legislature in 1994, outlining a comprehensive approach to the protection of the Historic Town of St George and other land areas of importance. Through this legislation there is effective jurisdictional control over the development of land areas affecting the World Heritage site. Within this legislation was created a Historic Buildings Advisory Committee as an advisor to the Development Applications Board. The Board can refuse development that would adversely affect the "historic, architectural, or cultural character of the area." In addition, there is established a St George's Preservation Authority which is a consultant on all planning applications within the historic area under the jurisdiction of the St. George's Corporation.

Comment

The current protective designation statement should be amended and the following sentence in the statement should now read: "...Since then the government has revised the earlier planning statement with a more updated one in 2008 which was approved by the legislature in 2010, that also continues to maintain a comprehensive approach to the protection of the Historic Town of St George and other land areas of importance....."

4.2.2 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides an **adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection

4.2.3 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

An adequate legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property exists but there are **some deficiencies in implementation**

4.2.4 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

An **adequate** legal framework exists for the area surrounding the World Heritage property and the buffer zone, but **there are some deficiencies in its implementation** which undermine the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the property

4.2.5 - Can the legislative framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) be enforced?

There is **acceptable** capacity / resources to enforce legislation and / or regulation in the World Heritage property but some deficiencies remain

4.2.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to protective measures

Timely enforcement of legislation is a problem because the current enforcement regulations need to be reviewed and updated to improve their effectiveness.

4.3. Management System / Management Plan

4.3.1 - Management System

Comment

The Bermuda Plan 2008 policies and zoning maps relate to listed buildings, archaeological sites, historic protection areas and World Heritage buffer zone provide support to the WHS. The WHS Management Plan and the Town of St. George guidance notes provide further support to the WHS. Approval of planning applications by the Planning Board and the issuance of building permits by the Dept. of Planning in conformity with these policies and the Planning Act 1974 provide the regulatory authority.

4.3.2 - Management Documents

Comment

The documents governing the property include: the Development and Planning Act 1974, the Bermuda Plan 2008 Planning Statement & Zoning Maps, Historic Town of St. George & related Fortifications Management Plan 2000, Development Control Guidance Notes: i.e. Historic Areas & Listed Buildings, Advertising, Windows, Shutters and Doors for the Town of St. George; the Traditional Building Guide and Building Code regulations.

4.3.3 - How well do the various levels of administration (i.e. national / federal; regional / provincial / state; local / municipal etc.) coordinate in the management of the World Heritage Property ?

There is coordination between the range of administrative bodies / levels involved in the management of the property **but it could be improved**

4.3.4 - Is the management system / plan adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value ?

The management system/plan is only **partially adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.3.5 - Is the management system being implemented?

The management system is **only partially** being implemented

4.3.6 - Is there an annual work / action plan and is it being implemented?

An annual work / action plan exists and **many activities** are being implemented

4.3.7 - Please rate the cooperation / relationship with World Heritage property managers / coordinators / staff of the following

Local communities / residents	Poor
Local / Municipal authorities	Fair
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	Poor
Visitors	Fair
Researchers	Good
Tourism industry	Fair
Industry	Not applicable

4.3.8 - If present, do local communities resident in or near the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone have

input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

Local communities have **some input** into discussions relating to management but no direct role in management

4.3.9 - If present, do indigenous peoples resident in or regularly using the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone have input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

No indigenous peoples are resident in or regularly using the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone

4.3.10 - Is there cooperation with industry (i.e. forestry, mining, agriculture, etc.) regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone?

There is **little or no contact** with industry regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone

4.3.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

Bermuda was an uninhabited island prior to its colonization in the 17th century - there were never any indigenous people. Additionally no major industry exist in the WHS property or buffer zone.

4.3.12 - Please report any significant changes in the legal status and / or contractual / traditional protective measures and management arrangements for the World Heritage property since inscription or the last Periodic report

This is the Town of St. George and related Fortifications, first Periodic Report.

4.4. Financial and Human Resources

4.4.1 - Costs related to conservation, based on the average of last five years (relative percentage of the funding sources)

Multilateral funding (GEF, World Bank, etc)	0%
International donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	0%
Governmental (National / Federal)	70%
Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State)	0%
Governmental (Local / Municipal)	20%
In country donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	8%
Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, parking, camping fees, etc.)	2%
Commercial operator payments (e.g. filming permit, concessions, etc.)	0%
Other grants	0%

4.4.2 - International Assistance received from the World Heritage Fund (USD)

Comment

To date, no such assistance is provided.

4.4.3 - Is the current budget sufficient to manage the World Heritage property effectively?

The available budget is **inadequate** for basic management needs and presents a serious constraint to the capacity to manage

4.4.4 - Are the existing sources of funding secure and likely to remain so?

Existing sources of funding are **not secure**

4.4.5 - Does the World Heritage property provide economic benefits to local communities (e.g. income, employment)?

There is **some flow** of economic benefits to local communities

4.4.6 - Are available resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure sufficient to meet management needs?

There are **some** adequate equipment and facilities, but deficiencies in at least one key area **constrain** management at the World Heritage property

4.4.7 - Are resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure adequately maintained?

There is **basic** maintenance of equipment and facilities

4.4.8 - Comments, conclusion, and / or recommendations related to finance and infrastructure

The WHS Management Committee formulates annual work plans using the Management Plan. It coordinates and tracks work being completed by NGOs and Government stakeholders. The Bermuda Government Department of Parks and Conservation Services manages government lands, the Dept of Planning manages the regulatory system and the Heritage Officer acts as a facilitator to the WHS Management Committee and the various other organizations that form the committee.

4.4.9 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Full-time	100%
Part-time	

4.4.10 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Permanent	100%
Seasonal	

4.4.11 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Paid	100%
Volunteer	

4.4.12 - Are available human resources adequate to manage the World Heritage property?

A range of human resources exist, but these are **below optimum** to manage the World Heritage Property.

4.4.13 - Considering the management needs of the World Heritage property, please rate the availability of professionals in the following disciplines

Research and monitoring	Good
Promotion	Poor
Community outreach	Fair
Interpretation	Poor
Education	Fair
Visitor management	Poor
Conservation	Good
Administration	Fair
Risk preparedness	Non-existent
Tourism	Fair
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Fair

4.4.14 - Please rate the availability of training opportunities for the management of the World Heritage property in the following disciplines

Research and monitoring	High
Promotion	High
Community outreach	High
Interpretation	Medium
Education	High
Visitor management	High
Conservation	Medium
Administration	Medium
Risk preparedness	Low
Tourism	Medium
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Medium

4.4.15 - Do the management and conservation programmes at the World Heritage property help develop local expertise?

A capacity development plan or programme is in place and **partially implemented**; some technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally **but most of the technical work is carried out by external staff**

4.4.16 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

There is no full-time staff specifically attached to the WHS but the work associated with managing the property is carried out by either Government paid staff or those from the Corporation of St. George's.

4.5. Scientific Studies and Research Projects

4.5.1 - Is there adequate knowledge (scientific or traditional) about the values of the World Heritage property to support planning, management and decision-making to ensure that Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Knowledge about the values of the World Heritage property is **sufficient**

4.5.2 - Is there a planned programme of research at the property which is directed towards management needs

and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value?

There is **considerable** research but it is **not directed** towards management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

4.5.3 - Are results from research programmes disseminated?

Research results are **shared with local participants and some national agencies**

4.5.4 - Please provide details (i.e. authors, title, and web link) of papers published about the World Heritage property since the last Periodic Report

2013 - Meg Southern - 'Struggle with Small Finds in Colonial Bermuda: Developing Interpretive Methods for Mix Contexts' - Bermuda Journal of Archaeology and Maritime History 20: 161-181. 2013 - Brent Fortenberry : 'Churches, Sate and the Space In Between: Archaeological and Architectural Study of St. George's Bermuda', Doctoral Dissertation - Boston University.

4.5.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to scientific studies and research projects

There have been a number of publications produced about the WHS property since its inscription in 2000 but the 'allocated field' to list such details in this report has limited number of characters.

4.6. Education, Information and Awareness Building

4.6.1 - At how many locations is the World Heritage emblem displayed at the property?

In **one location and easily visible** to visitors

4.6.2 - Please rate the awareness and understanding of the existence and justification for inscription of the World Heritage property amongst the following groups

Local communities / residents	Poor
Local / Municipal authorities within or adjacent to the property	Average
Local Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Local landowners	Average
Visitors	Average
Tourism industry	Excellent
Local businesses and industries	Average

4.6.3 - Is there a planned education and awareness programme linked to the values and management of the World Heritage property?

There is a planned education and awareness programme but it only **partly meets the needs** and could be improved

4.6.4 - What role, if any, has designation as a World Heritage property played with respect to education, information and awareness building activities?

World Heritage status has influenced education, information and awareness building activities, **but it could be improved**

4.6.5 - How well is the information on Outstanding Universal Value of the property presented and interpreted?

The Outstanding Universal Value of the property is adequately presented and interpreted **but improvements could be made**

4.6.6 - Please rate the adequacy for education, information and awareness building of the following visitor facilities and services at the World Heritage property

Visitor centre	Excellent
Site museum	Excellent
Information booths	Not needed
Guided tours	Adequate
Trails / routes	Not provided but needed
Information materials	Excellent
Transportation facilities	Adequate
Other	Not needed

4.6.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to education, information and awareness building

None.

4.7. Visitor Management

4.7.1 - Please provide the trend in annual visitation for the last five years

Last year	Minor Increase
Two years ago	Static
Three years ago	Static
Four years ago	Static
Five years ago	Static

4.7.2 - What information sources are used to collect trend data on visitor statistics?

Transportation services
Tourism industry
Visitor surveys
Other

4.7.3 - Visitor management documents

Comment

There is no coordinated management of visitors to the WHS property.

4.7.4 - Is there an appropriate visitor use management plan (e.g. specific plan) for the World Heritage property which ensures that its Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Visitor use of the World Heritage property is **not being actively managed** despite an indentified need

4.7.5 - Does the tourism industry contribute to improving visitor experiences and maintaining the values of the World Heritage property?

There is contact between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry but this is largely **confined to administrative or regulatory matters**

4.7.6 - If fees (i.e. entry charges, permits) are collected, do they contribute to the management of the World Heritage property?

No fees are collected

4.7.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to visitor use of the World Heritage property

The WHS property is a functioning municipality so no fees are collected specifically to enter the property but there are museums and historic buildings within the WHS that do charge admission fees.

4.8. Monitoring

4.8.1 - Is there a monitoring programme at the property which is directed towards management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value?

There is a **small amount** of monitoring, but it is not planned

4.8.2 - Are key indicators for measuring the state of conservation used to monitor how the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is maintained?

Information on the values of the World Heritage property is sufficient to define key indicators, **but this has not been done**

4.8.3 - Please rate the level of involvement in monitoring of the following groups

World Heritage managers / coordinators and staff	Average
Local / Municipal authorities	Average
Local communities	Non-existent
Researchers	Not applicable
NGOs	Average
Industry	Not applicable
Local indigenous peoples	Not applicable

4.8.4 - Has the State Party implemented relevant recommendations arising from the World Heritage Committee?

No relevant Committee recommendations to implement

4.8.5 - Please provide comments relevant to the implementation of recommendations from the World Heritage Committee

No recommendations were attached to the WH property. At the time of inscription, it was noted that work was needed on the maintenance of the forts which has now been completed.

4.8.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to monitoring

There are sources of information available that can monitor the conservation policies for the property but there is no monitoring process in place. Additionally, with the exception of the management committee which monitors on an ad hoc basis the WH property there are no other monitoring groups.

4.9. Identification of Priority Management Needs

4.9.1 - Please select the top 6 managements needs for the property (if more than 6 are listed below)

Please refer to question 5.2

5. Summary and Conclusions

5.1. Summary - Factors affecting the Property

5.1.1 - Summary - Factors affecting the Property

	World Heritage criteria and attributes affected	Actions	Monitoring	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment	
3.1	Buildings and Development						
3.1.4	Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure	Future development of a major hotel & infrastructure could impact a fortification.	None at this stage as the proposal is not certain.	WHS Management Committee will monitor the impact of such development and will take the necessary action if it deems that future development will negatively impact the WHS property.	N/A	WHS Management Committee in conjunction with the Government Heritage Officer.	None
3.2	Transportation Infrastructure						
3.2.4	Effects arising from use of transportation infrastructure	Increased volume of traffic could impact the fortifications and the unique characteristics of the WHS.	None at this time.	Although, there is a potential negative impact from the transportation infrastructure on the WHS it currently does not appear to be a major issue. The situation will be monitored.	None.	WHS Management Committee in conjunction with the Government Heritage Officer.	None
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage						
3.8.6	Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation	There is the possibility that increased visitors could see demands increase on businesses resulting in a desire to develop to meet the needs of visitors. Such actions could negatively affect the character of the town.	None at this time.	If the level of tourism/visitors significantly reaches a point where pressure to expand from businesses or other entities in the town increases, and the desire to expand businesses grows, future developments will be assessed & addressed accordingly.	None	WHS Management Committee in conjunction with the Government Heritage Officer and the Department of Planning.	
3.10	Climate change and severe weather events						
3.10.1	Storms	Flood waters as a result of hurricane storm surge will cause damage to many structure in the WHS.	None	Limited steps can be taken to overt such flooding during hurricanes unless major revetment works take place. Without these works such storms surges can only be monitored.	N/A	Corporation of St. George's and WHS Management Committee.	None.
3.12	Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species						
3.12.1	Translocated species	The invasive of Casuarina trees has become a serious problem and is negatively impacting a number of the fortifications.	There is a plan in place by the Department of Parks to remove the trees from affected fortifications.	The Department of Parks has in recent years, been monitoring the casuarina impact on the fortifications.	Starting 2013 (summer), the Department of Parks will begin again to remove these invasive trees from the fortifications.	Department of Parks & WHS Management Committee.	None

5.2. Summary - Management Needs

5.2.2 - Summary - Management Needs

Please select your top management needs in question 4.9 before filling in the summary table.

5.3. Conclusions on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.3.1 - Current state of Authenticity

The authenticity of the World Heritage property has been **preserved**

5.3.2 - Current state of Integrity

The integrity of the World Heritage property is **intact**

5.3.3 - Current state of the World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value

The World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value has been **impacted** by factors described in this report, but this situation is being **addressed through effective management actions**.

5.3.4 - Current state of the property's other values

Other important cultural and / or natural values are being **partially degraded** but the state of conservation of the World Heritage property has not been significantly impacted

5.4. Additional comments on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.4.1 - Comments

None.

6. World Heritage Status and Conclusions on Periodic Reporting Exercise

6.1 - Please rate the impacts of World Heritage status of the property in relation to the following areas

Conservation	Very positive
Research and monitoring	No impact
Management effectiveness	Positive
Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Recognition	Positive
Education	No impact
Infrastructure development	Not applicable
Funding for the property	No impact
International cooperation	Not applicable
Political support for conservation	Very positive
Legal / Policy framework	Positive
Lobbying	Positive
Institutional coordination	Positive
Security	Not applicable
Other (please specify)	Not applicable

6.2 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to World Heritage status

None.

6.3 - Entities involved in the preparation of this Section of the Periodic Report

Governmental institution responsible for the property
Site Manager/Coordinator/World Heritage property staff

Advisory bodies

6.4 - Was the Periodic Reporting questionnaire easy to use and clearly understandable?

yes

6.5 - Please provide suggestions for improvement of the Periodic Reporting questionnaire

None.

6.6 - Please rate the level of support for completing the Periodic Report questionnaire from the following entities

UNESCO	Very good
State Party Representative	Very good
Advisory Body	Very good

6.7 - How accessible was the information required to complete the Periodic Report?

Most of the required information was accessible

6.8 - The Periodic Reporting process has improved the understanding of the following

The concept of Outstanding Universal Value
The property's Outstanding Universal Value
Managing the property to maintain the Outstanding Universal Value
Monitoring and reporting
Management effectiveness

6.9 - Please rate the follow-up to conclusions and recommendations from previous Periodic Reporting exercise by the following entities

UNESCO	Not Applicable
State Party	Not Applicable
Site Managers	Not Applicable
Advisory Bodies	Not Applicable

6.10 - Summary of actions that will require formal consideration by the World Heritage Committee

- **Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance**

Reason for update: None - a draft SOUV has been submitted to the World Heritage Centre and awaits agreement by the Committee

6.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to the Assessment of the Periodic Reporting exercise

None.