1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage property

Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent

1.2 - World Heritage property details

1.3 - Geographic information table

Name	Coordinates	Property (ha)	Buffer zone (ha)	Total (ha)	Inscription year
Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent	55.726 / 37.555	5.18	47	52.18	2004
Total (ha)		5.18	47	52.18	
1.4 - Map(s)					
Title	D	ate Link	to source		
Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent - map of inscribed p	004				

Comment

A new map of the protection zone (the equivalent of a buffer zone) was made and approved by the RF Ministry of Culture 01.08.2014, and sent to the World Heritage Center via Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation in February, 2023

1.5 - Web and Social Media data of the property (if applicable)

1. Mepar (in Russian)

Comment

https://novodev.msk.ru/

2. Other Conventions/Programmes under which the World Heritage property is protected (if applicable)

2.1 - Records indicate that your World Heritage property (in whole or in part) is designated and/or protected under the Conventions/programmes shown in the prefilled table below. Please check and amend as necessary.

		The World Heritage property (in whole or in part) <u>is</u> designated and/or protected under this convention/programme	The World Heritage property (in whole or in part) <u>is not</u> designated and/or protected under this convention/programme
2.1.1	International Register of Cultural Property under Special Protection (1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict)		×
2.1.2	List of Cultural Property under Enhanced Protection (Second Protocol to the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict)		×
2.1.3	The List of Wetlands of International Importance (The Ramsar List) (Convention on Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar Convention))		×
2.1.4	World Network of Biosphere Reserves Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme		×
2.1.5	Global Geoparks Network UNESCO Global Geoparks		×

2.2 - Please provide comments on 2.1 if necessary

2.3 - Do your national authorities intend to request the granting of Enhanced Protection (if relevant) under the Second Protocol to the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict for the World Heritage property in the next three years?

No

2.4 - Do your national authorities intend to designate whole or part of the World Heritage property for inclusion in the List of Wetlands of International Importance (The Ramsar List), if relevant, in the next three years? Not applicable 2.5 - Do your national authorities intend to designate whole or part of the World Heritage property as a Man and Biosphere Reserve (if relevant) in the next three years?

Not applicable

2.6 - Do your national authorities intend to apply for whole or part of World Heritage property to be designated as a UNESCO Global Geopark (if relevant) in the next three years?

Not applicable

2.7 - Please indicate the level of cooperation at property level between designations under different Conventions/Programmes

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2.8 - Please add any further comments on cooperation with the other designation(s)/programme(s)

2.9 - Are you aware of any elements associated with the World Heritage property that have been inscribed on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage?

No

2.10 - Please list any elements associated with the World Heritage property inscribed under the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of which you are aware

2.11 - Are you aware of any documentary heritage listed under the Memory of the World Programme associated with the World Heritage property?

No

2.12 - Please list any documentary heritage associated with the World Heritage property listed under the Memory of the World Programme of which you aware.

3. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

3.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value for the property as adopted by the World Heritage Committee

Statement of Outstanding Universal Value Brief synthesis

The Novodevichy Convent, situated in the south-western part of the historic town of Moscow at the crossing of the Moscow River, was founded by Grand Duke Vasily III in the 1520s and was a part of a chain of monastic ensembles that were integrated into the defence system of the city. It is an outstanding example of Orthodox architecture. The ensemble consists of 14 buildings, including 8 cathedrals (a shrine, 4 churches, a belfry with the Barlaam and Josaphat church and two chapels) and a number of residential and service buildings. The monastery is sometimes called "the Moscow Kremlin in miniature". Its oldest building is a stone cathedral dedicated to the Icon of the Mother God of Smolensk built in 1524–1525 after the fashion of the Assumption Cathedral in the Moscow Kremlin.

The Convent is the only ancient nunnery which served as a fortress at the same time. In the 16th-18th centuries the nunnery was the chosen convent for women from the tsarist dynasty as well as the wealthy boyar and nobility families to take the veil. The Novodevichy Convent had close links to the Kremlin and is closely linked to the political, cultural and religious history of Russia, to major historic events and to important historic figures of the Russian state. These include Ivan the Terrible, Boris Godunov and the Time of Trouble of early 17th century, the father of Peter the Great, Alexey Michailovich as well as his daughter Princess Sofia Alekseevna and her struggle for power with the incoming Emperor Peter I, and the Patriotic War against Napoleon in 1812.

The elite nature of the convent means that it contains examples of the highest class of architecture with rich interiors. Built in the late 17th century, the monastery is one of the most outstanding and representative examples of the so-called "Moscow Baroque", having retained its integrity better than any of the other rebuilt monasteries in Moscow.

The Convent is a major centrepiece of the south-western part of the historic town of Moscow and the Moscow River, and has a high town-planning value. Even though the character of the city's urban surroundings has greatly changed, the Convent still remains an integral part of the landscape, unlike other monastic complexes.

The Convent is enclosed by a high masonry wall with twelve towers and with entrance gates to the north and south. It has two major planning axes and its main focal point, the Smolensky Cathedral, is located at their crossing. It is dedicated to the highest shrine of Russian Orthodoxy, the Icon of the Mother God of Smolensk "Hodigitria" and is the Convent's oldest stone building. The interior of the Cathedral is unique in respect of its performance, riot of colour and well-preserved wall paintings of the late 16th century which were created during the reign of Boris Godunov. Completely persevered is the wooden-framed five-tier iconostasis, typical of Moscow Baroque and created in 1683-1685, with its decorated gold-coated carvings.

Among other major buildings of the Convent is the Bell Tower built in 1683-1690. It has no analogues among ancient Russian convents or among other buildings of Moscow Baroque style. Due to its great height (72m), unusual disposition, elegant proportions and beautiful decorations, the belfry has always been the main vertical element of the whole western part of the historic town of Moscow thus contributing to the Convent's town-planning value.

The Necropolis of the Novodevichy Convent was initiated in the 16th century and developed in the following centuries as a burial place for the nobility and honourable citizens. From 1898 a new cemetery outside the south wall of the Convent was used as a burial place for the most outstanding Russian intellectuals as well as political and military figures. It is one of the most eminent historic necropolises preserved in Russia.

Criterion (i): The Novodevichy Convent is the most outstanding example of the so-called "Moscow Baroque", which became a fashionable style in the region of Moscow. Apart from its fine architecture and decorative details, the site is characterised by its town-planning values.

Criterion (iv): The Novodevichy Convent is an outstanding example of an exceptionally well preserved monastic complex, representing particularly the "Moscow baroque" style in the architecture of the late 17th century.

Criterion (vi): The Novodevichy Convent ensemble integrates the political and cultural nature of the existing World Heritage property of Moscow Kremlin. It is itself closely related to Russian Orthodoxy, as well as with Russian history especially in the 16th and 17th centuries.

Integrity

The Novodevichy Convent ensemble possesses all the necessary details and attributes to express its Outstanding Universal Value. It has preserved its original size which differentiates it from other ancient Russian convents.

The Convent has remained untouched mainly due to its use as a museum in the 20th century, while other ensembles were misused or just ruined. The ensemble's composition, its buildings and historic graves have been conserved.

The integrity of the ensemble is provided by approved boundaries of the property and its buffer zone. Among adverse factors there is intensive road traffic close by, resulting in air pollution, as well as possible building activity within the buffer zone that may have a bad impact on the ensemble's historic layout in the city space.

Authenticity

The Novodevichy Convent is authentic in that it has not undergone destruction or rebuilding. Moreover, the complex has integrally preserved its general layout as well as its individual buildings. It has also been returned to a function close to its original one. The sacral buildings today fulfil a liturgical function, the monastic structures are inhabited by monks and the ostentatious residential buildings now fulfil cultural functions as a museum.

Throughout its existence the ensemble's buildings have been restored several times. In 1890–1900 the architect S.K Rodionov performed restoration works for the Convent. In cooperation with I.P. Mashkov, a famous architect and a researcher of Old Russian architecture, S.K. Rodionov restored Smolensky Cathedral and cleaned oil paints off the mural paintings.

The ensemble has been subject to restoration in the late 20th century, but this has not involved replication. The restoration was preceded by thorough examination of the monuments. The restoration process by the architect N.C.Romanov was characterized by a high standard of scientific excellence and reliability. Regular restoration and conservation, work together with monitoring performed by authorized bodies, provide for preservation of authenticity.

Protection and management requirements

The Novodevichy Convent ensemble is a historical and cultural monument of federal importance that is protected by the government (Federal Law of 25.06.2002 No 73-FZ "On cultural heritage sites (historical and cultural monuments) of nations of the Russian Federation"). In conformity with the Russian Federation Presidential Decree it is included among especially protected cultural properties of nations of the Russian Federation. Its status as an outstanding cultural property of the Russian Federation assigned to it in 2013, allows provision of the highest level of legal protection of related monuments.

Approval of the protected buffer zone of the Novodevichy Convent ensemble plays a decisive role in the preservation of landscape visual integrity and contributes to the preservation of unity of the property and the environment under conditions of constant development. Great attention should be paid to the establishment of effective coordination between the authorities and local cultural community, to agreeing an appropriate development strategy planning for the property, to the issues of historical landscape protection, and to the development of cultural and historical destinations of the Novodevichy Convent ensemble. It is urgent to identify specific features of the important sites of the property and to establish legal forms of their use.

The Management Plan for the World Heritage property "Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent" will be an important tool for the conservation of Outstanding

Universal Value and coordination of all stakeholders. Currently the monuments of the ensemble are in the free use of the Moscow Eparchy of the Russian Orthodox Church which assists the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation in the monitoring, reservation and restoration of the property. The buildings of the ensemble are equipped with video surveillance as well as fire and security signal systems. Before receiving state financing, the protection and maintenance expenses for the property are born by the Moscow Eparchy of the Russian Orthodox Church.

A long-term strategy defines the means of protection and management focused on preventing serious threats to the property, reducing its vulnerability and the possibility of negative changes to the authenticity and integrity of the ensemble. These include the following: an effective joint legal management system and cooperation of key stakeholders which include municipal, regional, federal, non-governmental and religious organizations, funds, academic and educational institutions as well as local population; resources management; an innovative combination of conservation, restoration, museumification and sustainable development of the property's territory; the activity of the Moscow Eparchy of the Russian Orthodox Church Museum; the creation of educational programs; a rapid introduction of cultural, scientific and pilgrimage tourism; as well as combining traditional and innovative methods of conservation and the presentation of the Outstanding Universal Value of the Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent.

3.2 - Please list the key attributes of Outstanding Universal Value of your property and give an assessment of their condition. As a guideline, it is suggested to focus on approximately five key attributes (no more than 15 overall).

	Brief identification of attribute	Preserved	Compromised	Seriously compromised	Lost
3.2.1	Landscape and town-planning characteristics: Archaeological layer within the boundaries of the cultural heritage site; Topographical relief and other elements of the natural and anthropogenic landscape, including the elevated site of the ensemble and the steep slope to the man-made lake from the north-west side of the fortress walls.	×			
3.2.2	The location of the ensemble, its historical boundaries: Visual connections of the ensemble with the historical streets and the embankments of the Moscow River; Silhouette characteristics of the ensemble; Territory of the ensemble within the fortress walls.	×			
3.2.3	Planning characteristics: The layout: pentagonal with the Smolensky cathedral located on the cross-axes. The	×			
3.2.4	Volumes and Spatial composition of the ensemble: The large scale of construction, the location of structures in space, the ratio of open and built-in spaces, including the composition of heights that are marked at the crowning cornices of buildings, roof skates, zenith of domes and under-cross orbs of churches.	×			
32.5	Valuable components: Buildings and structures: Smolensky Cathedral, 1524-1525 (frescoes 1526-1530, 1590s; iconostasis 1683-1686); The Refectory and Irina Godunov's Chamber with St. Amvrosy Mediolansky Church, late 16th - 17th centuries; Bell Tower (1683-1689) and Princess Evdokia Miloslavsky's Chamber; Chamber at Shvalnaya Tower, 1683-1689; Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Refectory, 1685-1687; South Gate and Church of the Intercession of the Holy Virgin, Mariinsky Chamber, 1683-1688; North Gate and Church of the Transfiguration of the Lord, 1687-1688; Lopukhinsky Chamber, 1680s; Princess Sophia's Chamber and Guards' Quarters at the Naprudnaya Tower, 1680s; Choir's Chamber, 1718-1726; Treasury Chamber, late 1680s - beginning of 18th century; Filatievsky School, 1871-1878; Cellar (Pogrebnye) Chamber, 17th century; Mariinsky Chamber, 1680s; Guards' Quarters at the Nikolskaya Tower, 1680s; Guards' Quarters at the Chebotarnaya Tower, 1680s; Guards' Room at the North Gate, end of the 17th century; Fortress walls and towers, 1682-1690s; Gravestones, outdoor memorial sculptures and furniture etc. from the 18th through the early 20th centuries.	×			
3.2.6	The characteristics and material elements to be protected: components of the ensemble that have historical and cultural values: three-dimensional and space layout characteristics, designs, composition and decoration of facades and interiors, including stylistic and plastic characteristics and specific decor elements.	×			
3.2.7	Elements of historical improvement and gardening: The preserved elements of the walkways network and the old trees in the convent.	×			
3.2.8	Historical functional purpose: Ecclesiastical (Orthodox Church convent).	×			
3.2.9		×			
3.2.10					
3.2.11					
3.2.12					
3.2.13					
3.2.14					
3.2.15					

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

4. Factors Affecting the Property

4.1. Buildings and Development

4.1.1 - Housing

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

• Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Outside

× Relevant

Not relevant

	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact		
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O Positive							
Negative X		×		×	N		

4.1.2 - Commercial development

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Outside

X Relevant				Not relevant			
	Impact Orig		Origin		Trend of impact		
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O Positive							
Negative X		×		×	N		

4.1.3 - Industrial areas

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

 Not relevant 	
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Relevant	X Not relevant							
4.1.4 - Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure								
Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):								
 Not relevant 								

Relevant

× Not relevant

4.1.5 - Interpretative and visitation facilities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

• Relevant, Positive, Potential, Outside

X Relevant				Not relevant			
	Impact Origin		Origin	rigin Trend of impact			
Impact	Current	Potential	 Inside 	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive X		×		×			
Negative							

4.1.6 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.1 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.1.5 In October, 2016 the Russian Government made a decision on construction of an exhibition center – a branch of the State Historical Museum (SHM) in the buffer zone to accommodate collections of paintings and decorative arts of the Novodevichy Convent, along with a visitor center. This will enhance the OUV of the property. The exhibition center is to be built in 2024-2025. A report on impact of the project was sent to the WHC in 2022.

4.2. Transportation Infrastructure

4.2.1 - Ground transport infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

• Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Outside

× Relevant				Not relevant				
	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact			
Impact	4 Current	9 Potential	Inside	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing	
O Positive								
Negative X	×	×		×		→		

4.2.2 - Underground transport infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

Relevant

× Not relevant

4.2.3 - Air transport infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

Relevant			× Not relev	ant			
4.2.4 - Marine transport infu Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Relevant, Negative, Curre	2014):	side					
Relevant			× Not relev	ant			
 4.2.5 - Effects arising from Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 Not relevant 	-	ortation infrastru	cture				
Relevant			× Not relev	ant			
4.2.6 - Please comment as positively4.2.4 There are no harbor and po4.3. Services Infrastructure	ort facilities near th						negatively or
 4.3.1 - Water infrastructure Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 • Not relevant 							
Relevant			X Not relev	ant			
4.3.2 - Renewable energy fa Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Not relevant							
Relevant			× Not relev	ant			
 4.3.3 - Non-renewable ener Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 Not relevant 							
Relevant			× Not relev	ant			
 4.3.4 - Localised utilities Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 Relevant, Negative, Curre 	-						
Relevant			× Not relev	ant			
 4.3.5 - Major linear utilities Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 • Not relevant 	2014):						
× Relevant				Not relevant			
	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact		
Impact	4 Current	9 Potential	 Inside 	Outside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive X	×		×	×			

4.3.6 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.3 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.3.4 There are no localised utilities in close proximity 4.3.5 During conservation and restoration, stared in 2020, old pipelines were replaced after accomplishing necessary archeological work. Electrical lines were placed underground. Prior to the restoration, an assessment of design and planned conservation works and its impact on the property was conducted. A report was sent to the WHC and approved (letter of the Director of the WHC from 24 Feb 2020, Ref: CLT/WHC/EUR/19/12545)

4.4. Pollution

Negative

4.4.1 - Pollution of marine waters

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

 Not relevant 									
Relevant			X Not relevant						
4.4.2 - Ground water pollu Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/0 • Not relevant									
Relevant			× Not releva	ant					
 4.4.3 - Surface water pollution Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 									
Relevant			× Not releva	ant					
 4.4.4 - Air pollution Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/0' Relevant, Negative, Cur 		ide							
X Relevant				Not relevant					
	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact				
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Negative X		×		×	<u>s</u>				
4.4.5 - Solid waste Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/0 • Not relevant	7/2014):								
Relevant			× Not relevant						
4.4.6 - Input of excess end Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/0 • Not relevant									
Relevant			X Not relevant						
4.4.7 - Please comment as positively 4.4.4 Local effects of emissions 4.5. Biological resource 4.5.1 - Fishing/collecting	s from use of fossil f use/modificatio	uels may have mino N							
Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/0 • Not relevant									
Relevant			× Not releva	ant					
4.5.2 - Aquaculture Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/0 • Not relevant	7/2014):								
Relevant	× Not releva	ant							
 4.5.3 - Land conversion Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/0 • Not relevant 									
Relevant			× Not releva	ant					
4.5.4 - Livestock farming/ Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/0 • Not relevant	-	esticated animal	S						

× Not relevant

Relevant

4.5.5 - Crop production

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

X Not relevant
X Not relevant

4.5.11 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.5 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.6. Physical resource extraction

4.6.1 - Mining

- Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):
 - Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant
4.6.2 - QuarryingPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.6.3 - Oil and gas Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.6.4 - Water (extraction) Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant

4.6.5 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.6 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.7. Local conditions affect	ting physical fabric				
 4.7.1 - Wind Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 Relevant, Negative, Potent 	-				
Relevant		× Not releva	ant		
 4.7.2 - Relative humidity Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 Relevant, Negative, Potent 					
Relevant		× Not releva	ant		
 4.7.3 - Temperature Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 Relevant, Negative, Potent 					
Relevant		× Not releva	ant		
 4.7.4 - Radiation/Light Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 Not relevant 	2014):				
Relevant		× Not releva	ant		
 4.7.5 - Dust Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 Relevant, Negative, Currer 					
Relevant		X Not releva	ant		
 4.7.6 - Water (rain/water tab Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2 Relevant, Negative, Currer 	2014):				
× Relevant			Not relevant		
	Impact	Origin		Trend of impact	

	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact		
Impact	4 Current	Potential	Inside	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive							
Negative X		×		×	8		

4.7.7 - Pests

Relevant

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

× Not relevant

4.7.8 - Micro-organisms

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

Relevant

X Not relevant

4.7.9 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.7 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.7.1 Climate conditions in the location are such that there are no winds strong enough to cause erosion or vibration of buildings 4.7.2 Climate conditions in the location are such that relative humidity is not high and does not cause damage 4.7.3 Climate conditions in the location are moderate. Temperature fluctuations are not high and don't cause damage 4.7.5 Level of dust is insignificant to effect the property

4.8. Social/Cultural uses of heritage

4.8.1 - Ritual/Spiritual/Religious and associative uses

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

× Relevant

Not relevant

	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact		
Impact	4 Current	Potential	Inside	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive X	×	×	×	×			1
Negative							

4.8.2 - Society's valuing of heritage

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

• Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

X Relevant				Not relevant			
	Impact O		Origin		Trend of impact		
Impact	4 Current	Potential	Inside	Cutside	Secreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive X	×	×	×	×			1
Negative							

4.8.3 - Indigenous hunting, gathering and collecting

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

	Relevant	X Not relevant
4	1.8.4 - Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge s	system
г	Province operator Cycle 2 (21/07/2014);	

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant

4.8.5 - Identity, social cohesion, changes in local population and community

- Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):
 - Not relevant



× Not relevant

4.8.6 - Impacts of tourism/Visitation/Recreation

- Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):
 - Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Outside

X Relevant				Not relevant			
	Impact O		Origin Trer		Trend of impact		
Impact	4 Current	Potential	 Inside 	Cutside	Solution Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive X	×	×		×		→	
Negative							

4.8.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.8 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

In 2024, the 500 years anniversary of the the Novodevichy convent will be celebrated. This upcoming event is having a positive effect on the property: in preparation, restoration and conservation project has been undertaken; the values and historical importance of the convent has been promoted; more people are getting aware of it; more visitation is expected; exhibits, round tables, workshops, conferences and book publications are planned, which will increase interest in the property.

4.9. Other human activities

4.9.1 - Illegal activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

• Relevant, Negative, Potential, Outside

× Relevant	Not relevant						
	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact		
Impact	4 Current	9 Potential	Inside	C Outside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive							

Negative X	×	×	8		
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4.9.2 - Deliberate destruction of heritage

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

• Relevant, Negative, Potential, Outside

X Relevant					Not relevant				
	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact				
Impact	4 Current	Potential	 Inside 	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing		
O Positive									
Negative X		×		×	8				
4.9.3 - Military training Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Not relevant	/2014):								
Relevant			X Not relevant	X Not relevant					
4.9.4 - WarPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/Not relevant	/2014):								
Relevant			X Not relevant						
4.9.5 - Terrorism Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Not relevant	/2014):								
Relevant			X Not relevant						
4.9.6 - Civil unrest Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Not relevant	/2014):								
Relevant			× Not relevant						

4.9.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.9 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.9.1, 4.9.2 Looting or vandalism hypothetically may occur, but the chance is very low due to extraordinary protection and security measures: video surveillance, automated alarm system and armed security guards (unit of National Guard of the Russian Federation)

4.10. Climate change and severe weather events

4.10.1 - Storms

- Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):
 - Relevant, Negative, Potential, Outside

Relevant	X Not relevant
4.10.2 - FloodingPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.10.3 - DroughtPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.10.4 - Desertification Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant

4.10.5 - Changes to oceanic waters

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.10.6 - Temperature change Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.10.7 - Other climate change impacts Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant

4.10.8 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.10 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

The property is located in mid-Russia where climate is moderate, so the chance of natural disasters is extremely low. Weather prediction, use of monitoring devices, conservation, flood-prevention measures reduce and mitigate risk of negative impact.

4.11. Sudden ecological or geological events

4.11.1 - Volcanic eruption

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.11.2 - Earthquake Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.11.3 - Tsunami/Tidal wave Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.11.4 - Avalanche/Landslide Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.11.5 - Erosion and siltation/Deposition Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.11.6 - Fire (wildfire) Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant

4.11.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.11 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

The property is located in mid-Russia where climate is moderate, so the chance of natural disasters is extremely low. Weather prediction, use of monitoring devices, conservation, flood-prevention measures reduce and mitigate risk of negative impact.

4.12. Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species

4.12.1 - Translocated species

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.12.2 - Invasive/Alien terrestrial species Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.12.3 - Invasive/Alien freshwater species Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.12.4 - Invasive/Alien marine species Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.12.5 - Hyper-abundant species Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.12.6 - Modified genetic material Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant

4.12.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.12 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.13. Management and institutional factors

4.13.1 - Management system/Management plan

× Relevant			١	Not relevant					
	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact				
Impact	4 Current	Potential	 Inside 	C Outside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing		
O Positive X	×	×	×			\rightarrow			
Negative									

4.13.2 - Legal framework

X Relevant			1	Not relevant			
	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact		
Impact	4 Current	Potential	 Inside 	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive X	×	×		×		→	
Negative							

4.13.3 - Governance

X Relevant				Not relevant			
	Impact O		Origin		Trend of impact		
Impact	4 Current	Potential	 Inside 	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive X	×	×	×	×		\rightarrow	
Negative							

4.13.4 - Management activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

• Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

X Relevant				Not relevant				
	Impact Origin		Origin		Trend of impact			
Impact	4 Current	9 Potential	 Inside 	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing	
O Positive X	×	×	×	×		→		
Negative								

4.13.5 - Financial resources

X Relevant	Not relevant						
	Impact O		Origin		Trend of impact		
Impact	4 Current	9 Potential	Inside	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing
O Positive X	×	×		×		\rightarrow	
Negative							

4.13.6 - Human resources

X Relevant				Not relevant					
	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact				
Impact	4 Current	9 Potential	 Inside 	Cutside	> Decreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing		
Positive X	×	×	×	×		→			
Negative									

4.13.7 - Low impact research/monitoring activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

• Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside

X Relevant				Not relevant					
	Impact		Origin		Trend of impact				
Impact	4 Current	9 Potential	Inside	Cutside	Secreasing	⇒ Stable	Increasing		
O Positive X	×	×	×	×		→			
Negative									

4.13.8 - High impact research/monitoring activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2014):

Not relevant

Relevant

× Not relevant

4.13.9 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.13 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.14. Other factor(s)

4.14.1 - Other factor(s)

4.15. Factors Summary Table

4.15.1 - Factors Summary Table

Name	Impact		Or	igin		Trend
4.1 Buildings and Development						
4.1.1 Housing						
	٢	4			Ċ	N
4.1.2 Commercial development						

	9		9		Ċ	\$
4.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities	٢		9		Ċ	
4.2 Transportation Infrastructure						
4.2.1 Ground transport infrastructure						
	٢	4	4		۴	→
4.3 Services Infrastructures						
4.3.5 Major linear utilities	٥	4		۲	¢	→
4.4 Pollution						
4.4.4 Air pollution						
	٢		9		Ċ	N
4.7 Local conditions affecting physical fabric						
4.7.6 Water (rain/water table)						
	0		9		Ċ	\$
4.8 Social/Cultural uses of heritage						
4.8.1 Ritual/Spiritual/Religious and associative uses	٢	9	9	٢	Ċ	
4.8.2 Society's valuing of heritage	٢	4	9	۲	¢	1
4.8.6 Impacts of tourism/Visitation/Recreation	٢	9	9		Ċ	→
4.9 Other human activities						
4.9.1 Illegal activities						
	٥		9		Ċ	N
4.9.2 Deliberate destruction of heritage						
	٢		9		Ċ	\$
4.13 Management and institutional factors						
4.13.1 Management system/Management plan	٢	9	9	٢		→
4.13.2 Legal framework	٢	9	9		Ċ	→
4.13.3 Governance	٢	4	9	٢	Ċ	→
4.13.4 Management activities	٢	4	4	٢	¢	→
4.13.5 Financial resources	0	4			18	
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4.13.6 Human resources	0	4	4	٩	(E	→
	•			~	~	
4.13.7 Low impact research/monitoring activities	٢	4	9	٩	Ċ	→
Legend Current Potential O Negative O Positive	 Ins 	ide		C Outs	ide	

4.16. Assessment of current and potential positive and negative factors

4.16.1 - Assessment of current and potential negative and positive factors

4.1 Buildings and Development

Name		Impact		Origin		Trend	
4.1.1 Hou	sing						
				9		Ċ	S
Spatial s	cale - Area affected by the factor						
×	Restricted						
	Localised						
	Extensive						
	Widespread						
Tempora	scale - Occurence of the impact						
×	One off or rare						
	Intermittent or sporadic						
	Frequent						
	On-going						
Impact -	mpact on the attributes						
×	Insignificant						
	Minor						
	Significant						
	Major						
Managen	ent response - Capacity of management to respond						
×	High capacity						
	Medium capacity						
	Low capacity						
	No capacity and / or resources						
Trend - D	evelopement over the last 6 years						
×	Decreasing						
	Static						
	Increasing						
Name		Impact			Origin		Trend
4.1.2 Cor	nmercial development			_			
				4		Ċ	2
Spatial s	cale - Area affected by the factor						
×	Restricted						
	Localised						
	Extensive						
	Widespread						
Tempora	scale - Occurence of the impact						

×	One off or rare					
	Intermittent or sporadic					
	Frequent					
	On-going					
Impact - I	mpact on the attributes					
×	Insignificant					
	Minor					
	Significant					
	Major					
Managem	ent response - Capacity of management to respond					
×	High capacity					
	Medium capacity					
	Low capacity					
	No capacity and / or resources					
Trend - De	evelopement over the last 6 years					
×	Decreasing					
	Static					
	Increasing					
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Name	pretative and visitation facilities	Impact	9	Origin	Ċ	Trend
4.1.5 Inter			-1		Ģ	•
Spatial sc	ale - Area affected by the factor					
	Restricted					
×	Localised					
	Extensive					
	Widespread					
Temporal	scale - Occurence of the impact					
	One off or rare					
	Intermittent or sporadic					
	Frequent					
×	On-going					

Impact - Impact on the attributes

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	Insignificant
	Minor
×	Significant
	Major
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources

Trend - Developement over the last 6 years								
×	Decreasing							
	Static							
	Increasing							

4.2 Transportation Infrastructure

Name		Impact		Origin		Trend	
4.2.1 Groun	.2.1 Ground transport infrastructure						
		0	9	9		٢	→
Spatial sca	e - Area affected by the factor						
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	Localised						
	Extensive						
	Widespread						
Temporal s	cale - Occurence of the impact						
×	One off or rare						
	Intermittent or sporadic						
	Frequent						
	On-going						
Impact - Im	pact on the attributes						
×	Insignificant						
	Minor						
	Significant						
	Major						
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond						
×	High capacity						
	Medium capacity						
	Low capacity						
	No capacity and / or resources						
Trend - Dev	elopement over the last 6 years						
	Decreasing						
×	Static						
	Increasing						

4.3 Services Infrastructures

Name	Name			Origin		Trend
4.3.5 Major linear utilities		٢	9	۲	Ċ	→
Spatial sca	e - Area affected by the factor					
	Restricted					
×	Localised					

	Extensive
	Widespread
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact
×	One off or rare
	Intermittent or sporadic
	Frequent
	On-going
Impact - Im	npact on the attributes
	Insignificant
	Minor
×	Significant
	Major
Manageme	ent response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years
	Decreasing
×	Static
	Increasing

4.4 Pollution

Name	lame		ŧ		Origin		Trend
4.4.4 Air p	1.4.4 Air pollution						
		0		9		۴	\$
Spatial sc	ale - Area affected by the factor						
	Restricted						
×	Localised						
	Extensive						
	Widespread						
Temporal	scale - Occurence of the impact						
	One off or rare						
	Intermittent or sporadic						
×	Frequent						
	On-going						
Impact - I	npact on the attributes						
	Insignificant						
×	Minor						
	Significant						
	Major						
Managem	ent response - Capacity of management to respond						

	High capacity
×	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years
	Decreasing
×	Static
	Increasing

4.7 Local conditions affecting physical fabric

Name		Impact		Origin		Trend
4.7.6 Water (rain/water table)						
		0	9		Ċ	\$
Spatial sc	ale - Area affected by the factor					
	Restricted					
×	Localised					
	Extensive					
	Widespread					
Temporal	scale - Occurence of the impact					
	One off or rare					
×	Intermittent or sporadic					
	Frequent					
	On-going					
Impact - In	npact on the attributes					
	Insignificant					
×	Minor					
	Significant					
	Major					
Managem	ent response - Capacity of management to respond					
	High capacity					
×	Medium capacity					
	Low capacity					
	No capacity and / or resources					
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years					
	Decreasing					
×	Static					
	Increasing					

4.8 Social/Cultural uses of heritage

Name	Impact		Origin	Trend		
4.8.1 Ritual/Spiritual/Religious and associative uses	٢	9	9	۲	Ċ	1

Spatial	I scale - Area affected by the factor
	Restricted
	Localised
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	Widespread
Tempo	oral scale - Occurence of the impact
	One off or rare
	Intermittent or sporadic
	Frequent
х	On-going
Impact	t - Impact on the attributes
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	Minor
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	Major
Manag	ement response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend	- Developement over the last 6 years
	Decreasing
×	Static

	Decreasing
×	Static
	Increasing

Name	Name		Impact		Origin		Trend
4.8.2 Socie	ty's valuing of heritage	0	9	9	٢	Ċ	1
Spatial sca	le - Area affected by the factor						
-1	Restricted						
	Localised						
×	Extensive						
	Widespread						
Temporal s	cale - Occurence of the impact						
	One off or rare						
	Intermittent or sporadic						
	Frequent						
×	On-going						
Impact - Im	pact on the attributes						
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	Minor						

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 Significant

 Major

 Management correspond

 X
 High capacity of management to respond

 X
 High capacity

 Medium capacity

 Low capacity

 No capacity and / or resources

 Ternd - Dvertee the last 6 years

 X
 Decreasing

 Increasing

 Name
 Impact
 Origin
 Trend

 4.8.6 Impacts of tourism/Visitation/Recreation
 Impact
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Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor

opatial sea	
	Restricted
	Localised
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	Widespread
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact
	One off or rare
	Intermittent or sporadic
	Frequent
×	On-going
Impact - Im	pact on the attributes
	Insignificant
×	Minor
	Significant
	Major
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - Dev	velopement over the last 6 years
	Decreasing
×	Static
	Increasing

4.9 Other human activities

Name Impact Origin Trend



Spatial scale - Area affected by the facto

Spatial sca	Ile - Area affected by the factor
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	Localised
	Extensive
	Widespread
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact
×	One off or rare
	Intermittent or sporadic
	Frequent
	On-going
Impact - Im	pact on the attributes
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	Minor
	Significant
	Major
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years
×	Decreasing
	Static
	Increasing

Name	Impact		Origin		Trend	
4.9.2 Deliberate destruction of heritage						
	0		9		Ċ	\$

Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor

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	Localised
	Extensive
	Widespread
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact
×	One off or rare
	Intermittent or sporadic
	Frequent
	On-going
Impact - Im	apact on the attributes
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	Minor
	Significant
	Major
Manageme	ent response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years
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4.13 Management and institutional factors

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Name		Impact			Origin	Trend
4.13.1 Mar	agement system/Management plan	٢	4	4	٩	→
Spatial sca	ale - Area affected by the factor					
	Restricted					
	Localised					
×	Extensive					
	Widespread					
Temporal	scale - Occurence of the impact					
	One off or rare					
	Intermittent or sporadic					
	Frequent					
×	On-going					
Impact - In	npact on the attributes					
	Insignificant					
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×	Significant					
	Major					
Manageme	ent response - Capacity of management to respond					
×	High capacity					
	Medium capacity					
	Low capacity					
	No capacity and / or resources					
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years					
	Decreasing					
×	Static					
	Increasing					

Name		Impact			Origin		Trend
4.13.2 Lega	4.13.2 Legal framework		9	9		Ċ	→
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Spatial sca	le - Area affected by the factor						
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	Localised						
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	Widespread						
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact						
	One off or rare						
	Intermittent or sporadic						
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Impact - Im	pact on the attributes						
	Insignificant						
	Minor						
×	Significant						
	Major						
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond						
	High capacity						
×	Medium capacity						
	Low capacity						
	No capacity and / or resources						
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years						
	Decreasing						
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Name		Impact			Origin		Trend
4.13.3 Gov	ernance	٢	9	9	۲	Ċ	→
Spatial sca	le - Area affected by the factor						
	Restricted						
	Localised						
×	Extensive						
	Widespread						
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact						
	One off or rare						
	Intermittent or sporadic						
×	Frequent						
	On-going						
Impact - Im	pact on the attributes						

	Insignificant
	Minor
×	Significant
	Major
Manageme	ent response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years
	Decreasing
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	Increasing

Name	Impact			Origin		Trend
4.13.4 Management activities	٢	9	9	٢	Ċ	→

Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor

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	Restricted
	Localised
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	Widespread
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact
	One off or rare
	Intermittent or sporadic
	Frequent
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	Insignificant
	Minor
×	Significant
	Major
Manageme	ent response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years
	Decreasing
×	Static
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Trend

Origin

Impact

4.13.5 Financial resources		٢	4	9	Ċ	
Spatial sc	ale - Area affected by the factor					
	Restricted					
	Localised					
×	Extensive					
	Widespread					
Temporal	scale - Occurence of the impact					
	One off or rare					
	Intermittent or sporadic					
	Frequent					
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	Insignificant					
	Minor					
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	Major					
Managem	ent response - Capacity of management to respond					
×	High capacity					
	Medium capacity					
	Low capacity					
	No capacity and / or resources					
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years					
	Decreasing					
×	Static					
	Increasing					

Name		t i		Origin		Trend
4.13.6 Human resources	٢	9	9	۹	Ċ	→

Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor

	Restricted					
	Localised					
×	Extensive					
	Widespread					
Temporal s	icale - Occurence of the impact					
	One off or rare					
	Intermittent or sporadic					
×	Frequent					
	On-going					
Impact - Im	Impact - Impact on the attributes					
	Insignificant					

	Minor
×	Significant
	Major
Manageme	ent response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years
	Decreasing
×	Static
	Increasing

Name		Impact		Origin			Trend
4.13.7 Low	impact research/monitoring activities	٢	9	9	۲	Ċ	→
Spatial sca	Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor						
	Restricted						
	Localised						
×	Extensive						
	Widespread						
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact						
	One off or rare						
	Intermittent or sporadic						
×	Frequent						
	On-going						
Impact - Im	pact on the attributes						
	Insignificant						
	Minor						
×	Significant						
	Major						
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond						
×	High capacity						
	Medium capacity						
	Low capacity						
	No capacity and / or resources						
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years						
	Decreasing						
×	Static						
	Increasing						

4.17. Serial inscriptions (national or transnational)

4.17.1 - If your property is a serial inscription (national or transnational) please identify which components of the property are impacted by each factor

4.18. Prediction of the state of conservation at next cycle of Periodic Reporting.

4.18.1 - Please predict what the state of conservation of each attribute will be approximately 6 years from now (at the time of the next cycle of Periodic Reporting)

	Attribute	Preserved	Compromised	Seriously compromised	Lost
4.18.1.1	Landscape and town-planning characteristics: Archaeological layer within the boundaries of the cultural heritage site; Topographical relief and other elements of the natural and anthropogenic landscape, including the elevated site of the ensemble and the steep slope to the man-made lake from the north-west side of the fortress walls.	×			
4.18.1.2	The location of the ensemble, its historical boundaries: Visual connections of the ensemble with the historical streets and the embankments of the Moscow River; Silhouette characteristics of the ensemble; Territory of the ensemble within the fortress walls.	×			
4.18.1.3	Planning characteristics: The layout: pentagonal with the Smolensky cathedral located on the cross-axes. The	×			
4.18.1.4	Volumes and Spatial composition of the ensemble: The large scale of construction, the location of structures in space, the ratio of open and built-in spaces, including the composition of heights that are marked at the crowning cornices of buildings, roof skates, zenith of domes and under-cross orbs of churches.	×			
4.18.1.5	Valuable components: Buildings and structures: Smolensky Cathedral, 1524-1525 (frescoes 1526-1530, 1590s; iconostasis 1683-1686); The Refectory and Irina Godunov's Chamber with St. Amvrosy Mediolansky Church, late 16th - 17th centuries; Bell Tower (1683-1689) and Princess Evdokia Miloslavsky's Chamber; Chamber at Shvalnaya Tower, 1683-1689; Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Refectory, 1685-1687; South Gate and Church of the Intercession of the Holy Virgin, Mariinsky Chamber, 1683-1688; North Gate and Church of the Intercession of the Holy Virgin, Mariinsky Chamber, 1683-1688; North Gate and Church of the Intercession of the Holy Virgin, Mariinsky Chamber, 1680s; Princess Sophia's Chamber and Guards' Quarters at the Naprudnaya Tower, 1680s; Choir's Chamber, 1718-1726; Treasury Chamber, late 1680s - beginning of 18th century; Filatievsky School, 1871-1878; Cellar (Pogrebnye) Chamber, 17th century; Mariinsky Chamber, 1680s; Guards' Quarters at the Nikolskaya Tower, 1680s; Guards' Quarters at the Chebotarnaya Tower, 1680s; Guards' Room at the North Gate, end of the 17th century; Fortress walls and towers, 1682-1690s; Gravestones, outdoor memorial sculptures and furniture etc. from the 18th through the early 20th centuries.	×			

5. Protection and Management of the Property

5.1. Boundaries and Buffer Zones

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

5.1.2 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property known and recognised?

The boundaries are known by both the management authority and local communities/landowners

5.1.3 - Are the buffer zone(s) of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value? The buffer zones are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

5.1.4 - Are the boundaries of the buffer zones known and recognised?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property are known and recognised by both the management authority and local communities/landowners

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

5.2. Protective Measures

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

- Federal law of 25.06.2002 73-FZ "On Cultural Heritage Properties (Monuments of History and Culture) of the Peoples of the Russian Federation"
- Regulations on the Protection Zones of Cultural Heritage Sites (Monuments of History and Culture) of the Nations of the Russian Federation (enacted by Decree of the Government of the Russian Federation, 2008);
- Law on Transfer to Religious Organisations of Assets Having a Religious Intended Purpose and Representing State or Municipal Property (2010)

Source: Periodic Reporting Cycle 2

5.2.2 - Please list any legislation and other measures (regulatory -including spatial planning- contractual, institutional or traditional) not included in 5.2.1 and indicate the category

2004 / Federal Law No. 190-FZ "The RF City Planning Code" /

2010 / Agreement on the transfer of the property to the Moscow Diocese of the Russian Orthodox Church for termless use /

2014 / Order of the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation of 08/01/2014 N 1360 /

2016 / 25.10.2016 Executive order of the RF Government No. 2241-p "On complex of measures for preserving the historical appearance of the 'Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent" /

2016 / Executive order of the RF President No. -1006 "On preservation of the particularly valuable object of the cultural heritage of the peoples of the Russian Federation /

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

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

5.2.4 - 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?

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

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

The legal framework for the broader setting of the World Heritage property provides an adequate basis for effective management and protection of the property, contributing to the maintenance of its Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity

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

There is adequate capacity/resources to enforce legislation and/or regulation in the World Heritage property

5.2.7 - Please provide a short summary of how the legislation, including spatial planning and other regulation, works in practice

5.2.8 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations about the information related to the measures taken to protect the World Heritage property

5.3. Management System/Management Plan

5.3.1 - Please check the box which most closely match the character of the governance and management system of the property Public management system joint national/ local

If 'Other', please specify

5.3.2 - Management System: Please indicate which of the various management tools listed below are used to help protect the property.

A statutory Management Plan or zoning plan for the property.

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A management plan
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An annual work plan or business plan

5.3.3 - Please give a brief description of the management system currently in place at your property

Legislation allows only state ownership of World Heritage sites. The Federal Agency for State Property Management «Rosimushchestvo» formally is a landowner of the property. State Agency for the management and use of historical and cultural monuments runs the property along with Moscow Patriarchate of Russian Orthodox Church.

5.3.4 - Management Documents

Title	Status	Available	Date	Link to source
Management plan 2017-2036 for the Novodevichy Convent	N/A	Available	2016	

Comment

Other documents concerning the management system: Plan of measures for preservation and restoration of the historical appearance of the property; Annual plan of conservation work; Plan of events and activities in preparation for the 500th anniversary of the Novodevichy convent; The concept of long-term development of the museum display

5.3.5 - Has any use been made of the 2011 Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape in developing policies and best practices for the protection of this property?

The policy for dealing with development proposals is fully based on the 2011 Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape

5.3.6 - If the Historic Urban Landscape Recommendation has been used at this property, please describe briefly what has been done.

In 2016, Church of John the Baptist was built in the buffer zone. Public hearings were held. Archaeological excavation was conducted on the site. The research results were published and a report on findings was formalized. In compliance with requirements for protection of World Heritage sites, all project materials were sent to the WHC for review. ICOMOS executed a technical assessment, which did not object to the construction of the memorial church. (HULR 22b, 23, 24a, b, c)

5.3.7 - Has any use been made of the Policy Document on the Impacts of Climate Change on World Heritage Properties at the property?

The policy for dealing with climate change is fully based on the agreed World Heritage policy

5.3.8 - If the Climate Change policy has been used, please briefly describe what has been done along with any research on the impacts of Climate Change on the property:

Surveys and monitoring of property conditions were carried out by the Construction Design of the Central Research Restoration Design Workshops Institute (TsNRPM) in the 2010s in preparation for the major conservation project. Design and recommendation for use of conservation materials were made accordingly to mitigate the impact of emission and air pollution as recommended by the Policy Document on the Impacts of Climate Change

5.3.9 - Has any use been made of the Strategy for Reducing Risks from Disasters at World Heritage Properties at the property ?

The risk management policy is fully based on the agreed Strategy for Reducing Risks from Disasters at World Heritage Properties

5.3.10 - If the Strategy for Reducing Risks from Disasters at World Heritage Properties has been used, please briefly describe what has been done

In compliance with the Strategy (2.2, 4.2, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 etc), on both local, municipal and federal level, there is a set of security and fire safety measures: Monitoring and Emergency Notification System; 24-hours posts of the National Guard unit; Technical security measures: security & fire alarms; internal and external fire-fighting and fire extinguishing systems; video surveillance; movement sensors; property's security passport with risks analysis & mitigation measures; training on site

5.3.11 - Rate the coordination between the various levels of administration (i.e. national/federal; regional/provincial/state;

local/municipal etc.) involved in the management of the World Heritage property

There is adequate coordination between all bodies/levels involved in the management of the property

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

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

5.3.13 - Is the management system being implemented?

The management system is being fully implemented and monitored

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

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

5.3.15 - Does the management system include formal mechanisms and procedures that ensure participation and contribution of the following groups, living within or near the World Heritage property and/or buffer zone in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value of the property?

		Not applicable	No mechanisms for participation	Some participation	Direct participation	Transformative participation in all relevant decision processes
5.3.15.1	Local communities			×		
5.3.15.2	Local authorities				×	
5.3.15.3	Landowners in the property and the buffer zone				×	
5.3.15.4	Indigenous peoples	×				
5.3.15.5	Women				×	
5.3.15.6	Other specific groups				×	
	If you selected, 'Other specific groups' please specify	Orthodox Churc	ch nuns' community residing i	n the convent		

5.3.16 - Please rate the cooperation/relationship between the World Heritage property managers/coordinators/staff and the following groups

		Not applicable	Non-existent	Poor	Fair	Good
5.3.16.1	Local communities				×	
5.3.16.2	Local/Municipal authorities					×
5.3.16.3	Indigenous peoples	×				
5.3.16.4	Landowners					×
5.3.16.5	Women					×
5.3.16.6	Youth/Children					×
5.3.16.7	Researchers					×
5.3.16.8	Local Visitors/Tourists					×
5.3.16.9	National/International tourists					×
5.3.16.10	Tourism Industry					×
5.3.16.11	Local businesses and industries				×	
5.3.16.12	NGOs					×
5.3.16.13	Other specific groups	×				
	If you selected 'Other specific groups', please specify					

5.3.17 - Please rate the extent to which the management system of your property contributes towards achieving the objectives of the World Heritage Committee's Policy for the Integration of a Sustainable Development Perspective into the Processes of the *World Heritage Convention*

		Not applicable	No contribution	Limited	Significant	Full achievement
5.3.17.1	The management system of the property contributes to gender equality				×	
5.3.17.2	The management system of the property provides ecosystem services/benefits to the local community (e.g. fresh air, water, food, medicinal plants)	×				
5.3.17.3	The management system of the property contributes to social inclusion and equity, improving opportunities for all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status				×	
5.3.17.4	The management system of the property integrates a human rights-based approach				×	
5.3.17.5	The management system of the property contributes to fostering inclusive local economic development, and to enhancing livelihood				×	
5.3.17.6	The management system of the property contributes to conflict prevention, including respect for cultural diversity within and around the World Heritage property				×	

5.3.18 - Please provide further details on the ratings of the management system given in the table above

5.3.19 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to the management system/plan

The Management plan has not been fully implemented yet. Mid-term (3), long-term (5) and periodic (4) sections of the Management Plan is still in progress. Based on the objectives of the management of a world heritage site and public funding of its features, the Novodevichy Convent management plan is divided into the following stages: 1. Immediate action program for 2017 (Action Plan) 2. Work Plan for 2018-2019. 3. Medium-Term Plan (2020-2024.). 4. Periodic Actions 5. Long-term Plan (2025-2036)

6. Financial and Human Resources

6.1. Funding

6.1.1 - If your funding sources do not exactly fit those shown, put the relevant amounts against the funding type that most closely represents your situation, and use the comment box below to provide more details.

		Project costs	Running costs
6.1.1.1	Multilateral funding (GEF, World Bank, etc.)	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.2	Bilateral international funding	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.3	World Heritage Fund (International Assistance)	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.4	Contribution from other conventions and programmes	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.5	International donations (NGOs, foundations, etc.)	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.6	Governmental (national/federal)	95 %	100 %
6.1.1.7	Governmental (regional/provincial/state)	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.8	Governmental (local/municipal)	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.9	In-country donations (NGOs, foundations, etc.)	5 %	0 %
6.1.1.10	Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, toilets, parking, camping fees, etc.)	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.11	Commercial activities (e.g. merchandising and catering, filming permit, concessions, etc.)	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.12	Other	0 %	0 %
		Total 100 %	Total 100 %

6.1.2 - Please comment here on any other aspects of funding sources not covered in the table above

Visiting the convent is free of charge. Visitation of the museum has been low over the last few years due to the pandemic and big restoration project currently going on. In-country donations (6.1.1.9) come from individuals.

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

The available **budget is adequate** for effective management of the World Heritage property

6.1.4 - Are the existing sources of funding secure and likely to remain so? The existing sources of funding are secure over both the medium- and long-term

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

6.1.6 - Estimate the distribution of men and women involved in the management, conservation, interpretation of the World Heritage properties and the extent to which they are drawn from local communities.

		From local communities %	From elsewhere %
6.1.6.1	Men	10 %	55 %
6.1.6.2	Women	90 %	45 %
		Total 100 %	Total 100 %

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

Human resources are adequate for management needs

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

Conservation	Good
Environmental sustainability	Fair
Community participation and inclusion	Good
Risk preparedness	Good
Capacity development and education	Good
Administration	Good
Research and monitoring	Good
Awareness raising and public information/communication	Good
Marketing and promotion	Good
Interpretation	Good
Visitor management/tourism	Good
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Good

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

disciplines	
Conservation	Fair
Environmental sustainability	Good
Community participation and inclusion	Fair
Risk preparedness	Good
Capacity development and education	Fair
Administration	Good
Research and monitoring	Fair
Awareness raising and public information/communication	Fair
Marketing and promotion	Fair
Interpretation	Good
Visitor management/tourism	Good
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Good

6.1.10 - Has any use been made of the World Heritage Strategy for Capacity Building at the property?

Training and capacity building at this property is **fully based** on the World Heritage Strategy for Capacity Building

6.1.11 - If the World Heritage Strategy for Capacity Building has been used, please briefly describe what has been done.

System of professional training and education, whose work and expertise is compatible with international standards includes research institutes, professional associations of architects, restorers, art and architectural historians, advocacy organizations, state conservation institutions, Advocacy organizations, employees of the Ecclesiastical Museum. Capacity building includes research, conferences and workshops, on-site training. For more details, see Management Plan, 2.9

6.1.12 - Are there site-specific capacity building plans or programmes that develop local expertise and that contribute to the transfer of skills for the conservation and management of the World Heritage property?

A site-based capacity building plan or programme is in place and fully implemented; all technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally

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

7. Scientific Studies and Research Projects

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

7.2 - 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 a **comprehensive**, **integrated programme** of research, which is relevant to management needs and/or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

7.3 - Are results from research programmes publicly available and disseminated? Research results are shared with local communities and some national agencies

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

8. Education, Information and Awareness Building

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

Local communities	Good
Local/municipal authorities	Good
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	Good
Women	Good
Youth/children	Good
Researchers	Good
Local visitors	Good
National/international tourists	Good
Tourism industry	Good
Local businesses and industries	Fair
NGOs	Fair
Other specific groups	Not applicable
If you selected (Other specific groups' placed describe	

If you selected 'Other specific groups', please describe

8.2 - Does the property have a heritage education programme(s) for children and/or youth, that can contribute to a better understanding of heritage, promote diversity and foster intercultural dialogue?

There is a planned and effective education and awareness programme for children and youth that contributes to the protection of the World Heritage property

8.3 - Who are the target audiences for education and awareness programmes at your property?

Local communities
Local/municipal authorities
Youth/children
Researchers
Local Visitors
National/international tourists

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

Visitor centre	Fair
Site museum	Good
Information booths	Good
Guided tours	Good
Trails/routes	Good
Printed information materials	Good
Online (website, social media, etc.)	Good

Transportation facilities	Not needed
Other	Not needed
If 'Other' is selected, please specify	

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

Currently, visitation and options for visitor facilities at the World Heritage property are limited since there is ongoing conservation project. After 2025, visitor facilities as well as more educational facilities will be located in the planned Exhibition center – a branch of the State Historical Museum (SHM). (see also 4.1.6)Educational programs will be developed in cooperation with the State Historical Museum.

9. Visitor Management

9.1 - Please provide estimated annual visitor numbers (including national and international visitors) since the last Periodic Report

160000 / 160000 / 80000 / 250000 / 250000 /

9.2 - What information sources are used to collect visitor statistics?

Entry tickets and registries

Tourism industry

Visitor surveys

9.3 - What is the average length stay of a visitor to the World Heritage property?

One to three hours

9.4 - Please provide the source of information

It's impossible to provide accurate visitation statistics since there are no entrance fees. In 2020-2022, several facilities were not accessible because of the ongoing restoration. This, along with the pandemic, reduced the visitation significantly. Recently, in January 2023, attendance tracking frames were install, which will allow more accurate counting.

9.5 - What is the approximate average daily visitor expenditure? (Please provide an estimated monetary figure in USD)

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9.6 - Please provide the source of information

9.7 - Does the management system/plan for the World Heritage property include a strategy with an action plan to manage visitors,

tourism activity and its derived economic, socio-cultural and environmental impacts?

There is a strategy to manage visitors, tourism activity and its derived impacts on the World Heritage property but there are some deficiencies in implementation

9.8 - Please provide any comments relating to the answer provided above in question 9.7

9.9 - Is visitor use effectively managed to maintain the Outstanding Universal Value of the property? Visitor use of the World Heritage property is managed but **improvements could be made**

9.10 - Is the effectiveness of tourism management regularly monitored?

No

If a different system, please specify

9.11 - How does the tourism industry cooperate with the site management to improve visitor experiences and maintain the Outstanding Universal Value of the World Heritage property?

There is good cooperation between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry to present the Outstanding Universal Value and increase appreciation

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

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

In one location and easily visible to visitors

9.14 - How does visitor/tourism revenue (e.g. entry charges, permits) contribute to the management of the World Heritage property? Fees are collected, but make no contribution to the management of the World Heritage property

9.15 - Are there locally driven sustainable tourism initiatives? Not applicable

If 'Yes', please specify

9.16 - Are the benefits of tourism shared with local communities? Not applicable

If 'Yes', please specify

9.17 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to visitation/tourism/public use of the World Heritage property

10. Monitoring

10.1 - Is there a monitoring programme at the property directed towards management needs and/or towards improving the

understanding of the Outstanding Universal Value?

There is a **comprehensive**, integrated programme of monitoring, which is relevant to management needs and/or improving understanding of the Outstanding Universal Value

10.2 - Is necessary information available in order to define key indicators for measuring the state of conservation and are they used in monitoring how the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is being maintained?

Information on the values of the World Heritage property is **adequate and key indicators have been defined** for measuring the state of conservation and **are being used in monitoring** of how the Outstanding Universal value of the property is being maintained

10.3 - Are key indicators defined and in place for the following principal aspects of the property?

	Extend of indicators	Not applicable	No indicators	Indicators have been defined but are not yet in use	Indicators are in place and in use since the last Periodic Reporting cycle
10.3.1	State of conservation				×
10.3.2	Effectiveness of the management system				×
10.3.3	Character of governance				×
10.3.4	Appropriate synergy with other conservation designations				×
10.3.5	Contribution to sustainable development				×
10.3.6	Capacity development				×

10.4 - Please provide information on relevant key indicators adopted at the property

10.5 - Please rate the level of involvement in monitoring of the following groups:

World Heritage managers/coordinators and staff	Good
Local/municipal authorities	Good
Local communities	Fair
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	Good
Women	Good
Researchers	Good
Tourism industry	Good
Local businesses and industry	Fair
NGOs	Fair
Other specific groups	Not applicable
If you selected 'Other specific groups', please specify	

10.6 - Has the State Party implemented relevant recommendations arising from the World Heritage Committee? Implementation is complete

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

WHC provided comments and recommendations in the following letters: CLT/HER/WHC/EUR/18/11217 and CLT/HER/WHC/EUR/18/10500. These were fully implemented in the Management Plan and the Assessment report. The WCH approved the fulfillment of the recommendations in the letter CLT/HER/WHC/EUR/19/12545.

10.8 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to Monitoring

11. Identification of Priority Management Needs

11.1 - Identification of Priority Management Needs

9	Visitor Management	
9.7	There is a strategy to manage visitors, tourism activity and its derived impacts on the World Heritage property but there are some deficiencies in implementation	×
9.9	Visitor use of the World Heritage property is managed but improvements could be made	×

Please save this question to reflect changes

12. Summary and Conclusions

12.1. Summary - Factors affecting the Property

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4.1	Buildings and	d Development						
4.1.1	Housing	criterion i, criterion iv, attribute 3.2.2	Legal protection, regulations	Ongoing	Non-stop	Rus Adm Heri Eccl	stry of Culture of the sian Federation, inistration of Cultural tage, Moscow esiastical Museum of cow Patriarchate	Housing development around the property was developed in the 20th century. The risk is very little
4.1.2	Commercial development	criterion i, criterion iv, attribute 3.2.2	Legal protection, regulations	Ongoing	Non-stop	Rus Adm Heri Eccl	stry of Culture of the sian Federation, inistration of Cultural tage, Moscow esiastical Museum of cow Patriarchate	Commercial development around the property was developed in the 20th century. The risk is very little
4.2	Transportatio	on Infrastructure						
4.2.1	Ground transport infrastructure	criterion iv	No actions 0	Ongoing	Yearly	Russian F Administra Heritage, Ecclesiast	ation of Cultural	The property management has no influence on Ground transport infrastructure
4.4	Pollution							
4.4.4	Air pollution	criterion iv, attribute 3.2.6	Monitoring	visual, ongoing	Russian Administ Heritage Ecclesia		ation of Cultural Moscow ical Museum of	Moscow, where the property is located, is a capital city with around 15,000,000 inhabitants. Air pollution management is out of the control of the property administration.
4.7	Local conditi	ons affecting physic	al fabric					
4.7.6	Water (rain/water table)	criterion iv, attribute 3.2.6	Monitoring, preventive maintenance, stabilizing roof structures, timely si removing. Paving and building rain drainage	•	ng After rains	Russian Adminis Heritage Ecclesia	of Culture of the Pederation, tration of Cultural e, Moscow astical Museum of / Patriarchate	Water table factor of flooding is N/A. Hypothetically, heavy rain may cause roof leakage. The latter is unlikely, however, because of the recent restoration of all the facilities, including roof protection.
4.9	Other human	activities						
4.9.1	Illegal activities	criterion iv, attributes 3.2.5, 3.2.6	Security: Moscow Department of Interior Affairs (local police department) along with a unit of the National Guard of Russia provide 24-hours posts and armed guards on the site; regular training of personnel	Automatic systems video-surveillance		24/7	Moscow units of Ministry of Internal Affairs and the Ministry of Emergency Situations	Looting or theft are possible hypothetically, but the chance is extremely low due to the high level of security
4.9.2	Deliberate destruction of heritage	criterion iv, attributes 3.2.5, 3.2.6	Security: Moscow Department of Interior Affairs (local police department) along with a unit of the National Guard of Russia provide 24-hours posts and armed guards on the site; regular	Automatic system: video-surveillance		24/7	Moscow units of Ministry of Internal Affairs and the Ministry of Emergency Situations	Vandalism is possible hypothetically, but the chance is extremely low due to the high level of security

12.2. Summary - Management Needs

12.2.1 - Summary - Management Needs

9	Visitor Management						
		Actions	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment		
9.7	There is a strategy to manage visitors, tourism activity and its derived impacts on the World Heritage property but there are some deficiencies in implementation	The plan will be fully implemented after finishing the conservation project	2024-2025	Federal State Budgetary Cultural Institution "Agency for the Management and Use of Historical and Cultural Monuments"	The deficiency in implementation a strategy to manage visitors derives from ongoing conservation project which reduced the number of visitors and limited ability to implement the strategy		
9.9	Visitor use of the World Heritage property is managed but improvements could be made	The system of visitor calculation will be impoved after finishing the conservation project	2024-2025	Federal State Budgetary Cultural Institution "Agency for the Management and Use of Historical and Cultural Monuments"	None		

Summary - Management Needs completed

12.3. Conclusions on the State of Conservation of the Property

12.3.1 - Following the analysis undertaken for this report, what is the current state of Authenticity of the World Heritage property? The Authenticity of the World Heritage property has been preserved

12.3.2 - Following the analysis undertaken for this report, what is the current state of Integrity of the World Heritage property? The Integrity of the World Heritage property is **intact**

12.3.3 - Following the analysis undertaken for this report, what is the current state of the World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value has been maintained.

12.3.4 - What is the current state of the property's other values?

Other important cultural and/or natural values and the state of conservation of the World Heritage property are intact

12.3.5 - Comments. conclusions and/or recommendations related to the state of conservation of the property.

13. Impact of World Heritage Status

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

Conservation	Very positive
Research and monitoring	Positive
Management effectiveness	Positive
Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Recognition	Positive
Education	Positive
Infrastructure development	Positive
Funding for the property	Very positive
International cooperation	Very positive
Political support for conservation	Very positive
Legal/Policy framework	Positive
Advocacy	Very positive

Institutional coordination	Very positive
Security	Very positive
Gender equality	Not applicable
Provision of ecosystem services/ benefits to local communities	Not applicable
Social inclusion and equity, and improvement of opportunities for all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, ethnicity, origin, religion, or economic or other status	Positive
Fostering inclusive local economic development and enhancing livelihood	Positive
Contributing to conflict prevention, including respect for cultural diversity within and around heritage properties	Not applicable
Other	No impact
If 'Other', please specify	

13.2 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to World Heritage status and its impacts

14. Good Practice in the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention

14.1 - Example of good practice in World Heritage protection, identification, conservation or management at the property level

Management of the Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent is considered the best practice of cooperation between local and federal levels of governance among all Russian religious World Heritage sites. Based on the results of the 2016 onference "World Heritage of the CIS Countries: Challenges, Problems, Solutions" The Heritage Institute (the WHC Focal Point) initiated including information on the practice of joint work of the World heritage site "Ensemble of the Novodevichy convent" and the museum in the UNESCO thematic list "The best world experiences in working with heritage sites." Conservation project that the property has undergone has had a positive effect on the OUV.

14.2 - Define which topics are covered by this example of best practice at the property level

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15. Assessment of the Periodic Reporting Exercise

15.1. Relevance of Periodic Reporting

15.1.1 - Has the Periodic Reporting process improved the understanding of the following?

The World Heritage Convention
The concept of Outstanding Universal Value
The property's Outstanding Universal Value
The concept of Integrity and/or Authenticity
The property's Integrity and/or Authenticity
Management effectiveness to maintain the Outstanding Universal Value
Monitoring and reporting

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

State Party	Good
Site Managers	Good
UNESCO World Heritage Centre	Good
Advisory Bodies (ICOMOS, IUCN, ICCROM)	Good

15.2. Use of Data

15.2.1 - How do the authorities in charge of the property plan to use the data recorded from this cycle of Periodic Reporting?

Revision of priorities/strategies/policies for the protection, management and conservation of heritage

Awareness raising

Advocacy

15.2.2 - Comments on use of data from the Cycle of Periodic Reporting

15.3. Timing and resources

15.3.1 - Entities involved in the filling out of this online questionnaire (tick as many boxes as applicable)

Governmental institutions responsible for cultural and natural heritage
Site Manager/Coordinator World Heritage property staff
Focal points of other international conventions/programmes
External experts

15.3.2 - Has a gender balanced contribution and participation been considered in the filling out of this questionnaire? Gender balance is explicitly considered and effectively implemented in the process.

15.3.3 - Were you given adequate time (i.e. roughly ten months) to gather necessary information and to fill in this questionnaire? Yes

15.3.4 - Please estimate the time (working hours) needed to complete this questionnaire

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15.3.5 - Did you mobilise any additional resources to fill out this questionnaire?

	Additional resources	No	Yes
15.3.5.1	Human resources		×
15.3.5.2	Financial resources for organizing consultation meetings/ training		×

15.4. Format and content of the Periodic Report

15.4.1 - How accessible was the information required to complete this questionnaire?

All required information was accessible.

15.4.2 - Was the questionnaire easy to use and clear to understand?

		Very Difficult	Difficult	Easy	Very easy
15.4.2.1	Ease of use of questionnaire			×	
15.4.2.2	Clarity of questions		×		

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

15.5. Training and Guidance

15.5.1 - Please rate the level of support in terms of training and guidance from the following entities in completing this questionnaire

UNESCO World Heritage Centre	Good
UNESCO (other sectors/field offices)	Fair
UNESCO National Commission	Not applicable
ICOMOS International	Not applicable
IUCN International	Not applicable
ICCROM international/regional	Not applicable
ICOMOS national/regional	Not applicable
IUCN national/regional	Not applicable

15.5.2 - Please rate the level of support for completing the Periodic Reporting questionnaire from the following entities

UNESCO World Heritage Centre	Not applicable
State Party Representative (national Focal Point)	Fair
UNESCO other sectors (e.g. field office)	Not applicable
National Commission for UNESCO	Not applicable
ICOMOS International	Not applicable
ICCROM International/regional	Not applicable
ICOMOS national/regional	Not applicable

Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent

IUCN national/regional	Not applicable
IUCN International	Not applicable

15.5.3 - Were the online training resources prepared by the World Heritage Centre regarding Periodic Reporting adequate for you to complete this questionnaire?

Yes

15.5.4 - If you found that the online training resources were not adequate, what changes would you like to see implemented?

15.6. Actions that will require formal consideration by the World Heritage Committee

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

• Map(s)

Reason for update: A new map of the protection zone (the equivalent of a buffer zone) was made and approved by the RF Ministry of Culture 01.08.2014, and sent to the World Heritage Center via Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation in February, 2023

Changes to these items will need to go through the proper processes.

15.7. Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to the Assessment of the Periodic Reporting Exercise

15.7.1 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to the Assessment of the Periodic Reporting Exercise

15.7.2 - Thank you for having filled in all the questions. Please contact your National Focal Point for validation.