

FEBRUARY 2008

Dear Resident/Business/Visitor/Friend

## **WE NEED YOUR HELP TO SAVE GLOUCESTER'S HERITAGE**

Gloucester Civic Trust has recently taken over the management of St. Michael's Tower. Our aim is to restore this wonderful Medieval building which is 543 years old and to bring it back into use again.

We wish to convert it into a community heritage facility for local people, for schools and visitors; showing films on neighbourhood history, organising audio trails around Gloucester; laying on living history events and using the Tower as an arts and craft workshop and exhibition space. The Tower will also be used for concerts and small plays and will be available for hire. We know that revitalising the Tower will help revive Gloucester's evening and night time economy and will increase footfall in the area.

We need a lot of money to achieve all of this and to save the Tower. We've had some grant money which has allowed us to make some temporary improvements so we can use the Tower with a limited use; and we await the outcome of a Heritage Lottery Bid in June 2008. In the meantime it is vital we build up funds to show commitment to our project from local people, businesses and visitors. Such commitment really helps our grant funding.

**WE NEED 1,000 "FRIENDS OF THE TOWER".  
SO FAR WE HAVE 49.  
EACH FRIEND PAYS AN ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION OF  
£10.00 PER ANNUM. IT'S NOT A LOT.**

IN RETURN YOU WILL RECEIVE OUR QUARTERLY TOWER TIMES NEWSLETTER; RECEIVE OTHER UPDATES AND INVITES TO OUR FUND RAISING EVENTS AND SOCIAL GATHERINGS.

**MANY PEOPLE SAY THEY ARE WORRIED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE  
CITY'S HERITAGE AND NOW YOU HAVE THE CHANCE TO DO  
SOMETHING ABOUT IT.**

**If you would like to become a Friend please complete the  
section overleaf.**

**GLOUCESTER CIVIC TRUST**

**TOWER OF LEARNING PROJECT:**

**YES I WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A FRIEND OF THE TOWER AND DO MY PART IN HELPING TO CONSERVE GLOUCESTER'S HERITAGE.**

**I ENCLOSE MY CHEQUE FOR £10 PAYABLE TO:**

***ST MICHAEL'S TOWER RESTORATION PROJECT***

**NAME:.....**

**ADDRESS:.....**

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**TEL. NO.....**

**EMAIL ADDRESS:.....**

**(we try and send as much as we can by email as it cuts down on costs)**

**WOULD YOU CONSIDER BECOMING A VOLUNTEER TO HELP OUT IN THE TOWER WHEN IT IS UP AND RUNNING? YES/NO**

**Please return your completed form to and cheque to:**

**Pam Daw  
St Michael's Tower  
The Cross  
Gloucester**

**The Tower letter box is tucked away in the corner opposite Starbucks.  
Or post to Pam Daw 126 Castlemeads Court, Westgate Street,  
Gloucester**

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