

Agenda Item No: 9

Report to: Museums Committee

Date of Meeting: 12 September 2011

Report Title: Disposal of Natural History Specimens

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Purpose of Report

to report on the disposal of damaged Natural History specimens

Recommendation(s)

1. the report is for noting

Reasons for Recommendations

Introduction

1. Museum collections in storage are inspected on a rolling schedule as agreed in the Collections Management programme.
2. In July 2011 an inspection of some of the natural history collections dating from the early 20th century resulted in the following 19 specimens being destroyed. The catalogue records have been altered to reflect the changes.

- HASMG : AA24 Wasps' Nest
- HASMG : AA21 Wasps' Nest
- HASMG : K84 Coregonus oxyrinchus (Houting)
- HASMG : SK9 Skeleton of Oryctolagus cuniculus (Rabbit)
- HASMG : SK27 Skull of Picus viridis (Green Woodpecker)
- HASMG : SK41 Skeleton of Lacerta viridis (Green Lizard)
- HASMG : SK43 Skeleton of Talpa Europea (Common Mole)
- HASMG : SK48 Skeleton of Athene noctua (Little Owl)
- HASMG : SK50 Skeleton of Pelophylax esculentus (Edible Frog)
- HASMG : SK51 Salamandra maculosa (Spotted Salamander)
- HASMG : SK54 Skeleton of Spermophilus citillus (European Ground Squirrel)
- No number Triturus cristatus (Great Crested Newt)
- HASMG : GP82 Bones from dog leg
- HASMG : D101 Exoskeleton of crab
- HASMG : D153 Exoskeleton of crab
- HASMG : D154 Exoskeleton of lobster
- No number Natrix natrix (Grass snake)
- No number Cocoon of Agroeca brunnea (Lamp-making spider)
- No number box of small crabs

Wards Affected

None

Area(s) Affected

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None

Policy Implications

Please identify if this report contains any implications for the following:

Equalities and Community Cohesiveness	No
Crime and Fear of Crime (Section 17)	No
Risk Management	No
Environmental Issues	No
Economic/Financial Implications	No
Human Rights Act	No
Organisational Consequences	Yes

Background Information

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