



FIRST AID HUT

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 14/18

12 FEBRUARY 2018

The purpose of this paper is to ask Members to approve the expenditure necessary to refurbish the First Aid Hut in time for the coming season and to consider proposals for a new lease of the First aid Hut.

No. DETAILS

1) BACKGROUND

- a) The Town Council has been responsible for the First Aid Hut since it started its Beach Safety Project in 2012 in response to the Isle of Wight Council withdrawing funding for Lifeguards.
 - b) The lease had a term of five years from July 2012 and has now expired.
 - c) The condition of the Hut has significantly declined and is now in need of refurbishment at an anticipated cost of £5,000.
 - d) The Isle of Wight Council has been requested to share the cost of the necessary refurbishment as the required works appear to be beyond those identified as the tenant's responsibility for repairs and maintenance; the request has been refused.
 - e) Instead, a new lease is proposed with a longer term – 10 years – and Heads of Terms for that lease are attached to this Report.
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2) REFURBISHMENT COSTS

- a) As the extent of the refurbishment requires scaffolding, there is an initial cost, including permits, of £580.0
 - b) The extensive repairs required to the roof are quoted at £1,710 and the costs of removing and replacing its doors at windows come in at a combined total of £2,650.
 - c) Around £120 will be required to remove all rubbish for them site giving a total anticipated costs of £5,060.
 - d) In view of the extend of the required works, a further approach to the Isle of Wight Council should be considered.
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3) RECOMMENDATION

Members are recommended to:

- i) approve the refurbishment of the First Aid Hut by the end of March in order for it to be fit for use for this season's Beach Safety project;
 - ii) authorise the Clerk to re-open discussions with the Isle of Wight Council for them to fulfil their duties as Landlord in contributing to the costs of the work.
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