



REPLACEMENT VAN

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 39/18

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The purpose of this paper is to ask Members to consider the need for a replacement Van for use by the Town Council's Maintenance Manager following the significant MoT failure of the current vehicle.

O. DETAILS

1) BACKGROUND

- a) The Town Council first agreed to purchase a vehicle to enable its Maintenance Manager to service the increasing range of buildings the Council was becoming responsible by Minute 79/16 of its meeting of 16 May 2016.
- b) The agreement was to purchase the vehicle being used by the then Maintenance Manager that was owned by his son and the agreed purchase price was £1,600.
- c) The cost of the necessary repairs to pass its 10 May 2018 MoT test came to a total of almost £800 and when this was considered by the Assets & Services Group at its meeting of 8 May it was agreed to explore the options for a new leased replacement.

2) REPLACEMENT VAN

- a) Three quotations for a leased replacement have now been received as set out in the following paragraphs.
- b) A Renault Kangoo Diesel from Harwood's Garage: 48 month minimum term with initial deposit of £700.90, 47 monthly payments of £194.69 followed by one payment of £2,799.40 averages out at £3,163 pa over the 4 years.
- c) A Citroen Berlingo HDi manual from Central Garage (Newport): an initial deposit of £5,000 and 60 payments of £200.89 averages out at £3,410 pa over the 5 years.
- d) A Balloon Ford Acquire from Premier Motors (Solent) Limited: an initial deposit of £2,080 followed by 48 payments of £204.45 and a final payment of £2,420 averages out at £3,578 pa over the 4 years.
- e) The first of these quotations has two advantages to the Town Council: it is the cheapest of the three and has the lowest initial deposit that would keep the impact lower on the initial year for which there is no budgetary provision, allowing for the inclusion of such a provision in future financial years.

3) DISPOSAL OF CURRENT VEHICLE

- a) As the vehicle is not able to be used on the road without spending the c£800 needed to regain an MoT the offer from a member of the Town Council's staff to buy the vehicle is worth consideration.
- b) In the circumstances a sale at £1 would seem to be appropriate.

4) RECOMMENDATION

Members are recommended to agree:

- i) the purchase of a the Renault Kangoo from Harwood's Garage on the basis set out in 2(b) above; and
- ii) the sale of the current vehicle to a member of its staff for £1.