



VEHICLE PURCHASE

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 31/16

16 MAY 2016

The purpose of this paper is to recommend Members to agree a recommendation from the Public Buildings Working Group that, given the extent in the range of facilities the Town Council is now responsible, a Town Council-owned vehicle is necessary.

No. DETAIL

1) BACKGROUND

- a) Taking over the management of the town's four public toilets and Ventnor Central alongside the delivery of services including Beach Safety and Beach cleaning has highlighted the increasing requirement for transport.
 - b) To date, much of that has been made available by the willingness of the Town Council's Maintenance Manager to use a van owned by his son for these purposes.
 - c) The van's owner has decided to sell the vehicle and it is clearly unacceptable for staff to use their own vehicles for the transport purposes required in this context.
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2) PROPOSAL

- a) The Public Buildings Working Group has considered the issue at each of its last two meetings with Councillor Jim Toogood undertaking research into the options of a purchase based on a used, new or leased van suitable for the required activity.
 - b) It is now proposed that the Town Council purchase the van that is currently being used from its owner subject to a year-long MoT certificate being provided with it.
 - c) The agreed purchase price will be £1,600 and the proposal is that half of that cost be provided from the Salisbury Gardens' account with the remainder being funded from the Town Council's Contingency provision.
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3) RECOMMENDATION

The Town Council is recommended to approve the proposed purchase of a van as set out in section (2) of this Report.
