



WEST CLIFFS SHELTER

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 37/17

22 MAY 2017

The purpose of this paper is to ask Members to consider an offer from the Isle of Wight Council to fund the replacement of the roof on the West Cliffs Shelter if the Town Council is willing to take on a lease for it following the completion of the works.

No. DETAILS

1) BACKGROUND

- a) The West Cliffs Shelter has been much discussed over recent months by both the Town Council's Public Buildings Working Group and Ventnor Enhancement Fund.
 - b) In the event the need to remove the roof as a dangerous structure increased the costs of restoration beyond the resources of both organisations.
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2) PROPOSAL

- a) An email from the Isle of Wight Council's Commercial Services Manager of 5 May re-opened the possibility of retaining the structure with a proposal that the Isle of Wight Council would seek to source funding for the replacement of the roof if the Town Council would agree to taking on its ongoing maintenance.
 - b) A further exchange of emails has clarified the preference for the maintenance responsibility to be based on an agreed lease for the building.
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3) RECOMMENDATION

The Town Council is recommended to accept the proposal and ask its Assets and Services Group to progress the discussions to the point of a draft lease for the Town Council meeting of 12 June.
