

a) Car Park Toilet painting

An allocation of £1000 was placed in the 2024-25 budget to cover the cost of painting the internal area in the toilets on Wem Car Park.

Financial Regulation 5.9 states that - *Where the value is between £500 and £3,000 excluding VAT, the Clerk or RFO shall try to obtain 3 estimates which might include evidence of online prices, or recent prices from regular suppliers.*

It has been difficult obtaining estimates for the work as other companies approached have not responded. Therefore 1 quote has been obtained from a company who has previously undertaken a significant amount of work for The Town Council and consistently provide a good service whilst demonstrating value for money.

The amount quoted can be funded from the allocation placed in the budget for painting with the balance being taken from the miscellaneous toilet expenditure budget.

Decision needed - to approve the quote.

b) Wetpour Repair

The 2024 ROSPA Annual Playground Inspection highlighted two areas of wetpour surface under the play equipment on the recreation ground that require repair.

1. Damage to the wet pour on the large swing unit.
2. Cracking of the wetpour under the spinning dish.

The company that will be installing the new climber on Wem Recreation Ground will be already be laying a new wetpour surface under the new climber have been asked to quote for these two areas of repair.

The specialist nature of wetpour surfacing work means that are few companies that carry it out and costs will be significantly reduced by having the repairs completed at the same time as the installation of the wetpour under the new climber.

A quote has been provided for a patch repair to the carousel dish. However, as this is a well used item, it would be preferred to overlay the entire area with a new wetpour surface as this would increase the life of the surface and make a neater job.

The cost of this work is as follows

Patch repair by swings £120

Patch repair by carousel £120 or

Complete overlay of wet pour under carousel £1700

Total cost of patch and overlay £1820

There are sufficient funds in the recreation repair budget to cover this repair cost if the Council would accept the reason for only seeking one quote.

Decision needed - to approve the quote.