

STRONGER COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

Date: Monday 21st September 2020

Title: Operations Report: Progress on improvements & repairs since last meeting

Contact Officer: Operations and Estates Officer - John Hickman

Background

The purpose of this report is to update Members on the progress of improvements and repairs since the last meeting.

Benches

The works team have installed several pre used benches and picnic benches at the Lake in locations with vista across the lake.

West Witney Defibrillator

The Operations and Estates Officer has still not heard from Tower Hill Football club regarding the West Witney Defibrillator with the relevant information that they have been requested to provide the current condition of the unit, its batteries, associated equipment and unit lifespan remaining in order that the Operations and Estates Officer can bring this matter to this committee with an appropriate costing for council to consider.

It would appear the Defibrillator unit is still offline and unusable.

The Operations and Estates Officer has contacted Tower Football Club again requesting an update on the current position.

If WTC were to take the Defibrillator over regardless of its current condition costs could be around £1,500-£2000 if complete replacement were required.

Environmental impact

Having declared a Climate Change Emergency at its Council meeting on 26 June 2019 – with this in mind Councillors should have due regard to the environmental impact of any decisions they make with regard to its facilities and services it operates.

Risk

In decision making Councillors should give consideration to any risks to the Council and any action it can take to limit or negate its liability.

The provision of a defibrillator and ensuring it remains available for use in an emergency is key. Whilst this particular defibrillator was fundraised for by others, it is attached to one of the Council's assets – the clubhouse – and therefore someone needs to be responsible for it accordingly.

Financial implications

Associated cost to purchase new defibrillator or associated equipment if required. £1,500-£2000

Recommendations

Members are invited to note the report and consider the current position of West Witney Defibrillator.