

POLICY, GOVERNANCE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Date: 28th September 2020

Title: Marking Community & National Campaigns Via Lighting Up the Corn Exchange – Part B

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Background

At its previous meeting, this committee resolved to budget £500 towards the purchase of dedicated lights to facilitate requests from the community for lighting up the Corn Exchange to mark events.

Current Situation

Following discussion with the Chair per the resolution, Officers felt that if lights were to be installed in the windows of the Corn Exchange, this should be done properly with raised electrical sockets/timers etc. if possible. This would provide an added benefit of the lights being available for use for the bar area and any events in the Gallery Room.

The Operations & Estates Officer received a quote from the Council's preferred electrician, attached as a confidential appendix.

There are funds from the Corn Exchange refurbishment which could possibly be used towards this and further quotes for/and reduction of the works could be sought. If the Council resolves not to go ahead with the electrical works, the lights can still be purchased and can proceed in another way.

Financial implications

- A budget of £500 has been agreed for the purchase of lights.
- The cost of the entire project (including electrical works) could be as high as £1700.

Recommendations

Members are invited to note the report and consider:

1. Whether to allocate further funds for this project to allow lights to be installed with necessary electrical works, and if yes:
 - a) Which cost centre/budget these funds are taken from.