

STRONGER COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

Date: Monday, 24 January 2022

Title: Cycle Racks and Bin at Burwell Bus Shelter

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Background

Members will recall that after protracted negotiations in 2019, the Town Council secured a sum of £8,500 from Abbeymill developments to install a bus shelter, litter bin and cycle racks in Corn Street. The bus shelter was installed but there is a litter bin in close proximity to the shelter and there is not room for cycle racks without causing an obstruction/trip hazard on the pavement.

Therefore, there is still funding available for both a litter bin and cycle racks.

Current Situation

The Project Officer and the Operations and Estates Advisor assessed various sites which were lacking provision of bins and cycle racks. The best area for both items would be at the newly installed Burwell Shops shelter as this is on the same route and the funds also covered the installation of a new shelter at the next stop. There has also been a request for a bin at this location, and there is plenty of room for the cycle racks to be installed without causing an obstruction.

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. The provision of a bin would be beneficial to reducing rubbish/recycling. Cycle racks encourage active travel.

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. There is no risk associated with installing a bin or cycle racks.

Financial implications

The balance remaining from this grant funding stands at £3,295.

- 3 x Sheffield cycle rack hoops would cost £169.00 (net)
- The cost of the bin, installation and ongoing costs could be included within the Council's Grounds Maintenance Contract or requested through WODC/Publica. Approximate cost for the latter is £500 for bin and installation and annual emptying costs of £750
- A concrete base would need to be installed for both of these pieces of infrastructure. This could be completed by the Council's Works Team.

Recommendations

Members are invited to note the report and consider if a bin and cycle racks should be installed by the Burwell shops shelter.