

## **Urgent – Item 10a – Resources committee**

### **Additional item for Resources Committee**

#### **Patmos gardens Lighting**

##### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 Patmos Gardens work has been tendered but did not include any provision for electrical lighting works.
- 1.2 None of the lighting bollards or decorative circle lighting works
- 1.3 In the bed next to the war memorial work is a light fitting but no connected wiring?
- 1.4 The existing power supply box is overgrown and on immediate inspection is in poor repair and not safe.

##### **2 Works necessary**

- 2.1 Repair of the electrical enclosure has been quoted at £617 plus a new cover – with timer for future use flexibility - estimated £1,000.
- 2.2 These works will need to be carried out from of safety point of view unless a decision is made to decommission the supply altogether.
- 2.3 The alternative is to decommission the supply altogether at an additional cost (unknown) but would save on annual bill circa £300 per annum – unmetered supply.

##### **3 Discretionary Works**

- 3.1 Installation of new bollard lighting (7of) requires wiring groundworks , junction boxes, and wiring, groundworks, concrete and labour – quote £3,172.11.
- 3.2 Installation/Replacement Stone circle lighting replacement – including ground works for rewiring connection quoted at £1,935.69
- 3.3 Installation of memorial of a ground light including all new cabling and groundworks is quoted at £1,848.70

##### **4 Timing**

- 4.1 If we are going to proceed we need to give an immediate decision to enable the ground works element of this to be scheduled into the Patmos contract given that it was due to start on 1<sup>st</sup> March. This will need to be bought forward to accommodate these extra works do that new paths etc can incorporate where applicable.
- 4.2 If not included now, whilst remedial work could be undertaken this would be at a significantly greater cost, involving paths to be dug up etc.

##### **5 Options**

- 5.1 Work on the power box itself is not discretionary
- 5.2 Any of the options of bollards, circle or memorial lighting can be considered or alternatively none of these works carried out and the Gardens are simply not lit
- 5.3 If deciding to undertake all works the cost would be £7,958.

- 5.4 There is no time to seek alternative quotes but in the view of the Town Clerk given the extent of trenchwork to lay cabling properly this does not seem unreasonable.

**6 Budget**

- 6.1 Estimate year end outturn is for a General Reserves figure of £87,000 and likely higher as final budget are not drawn on.
- 6.2 There is either sufficient capacity within General Reserves and or Earmarked Community Development Reserve to meet these additional costs.

**7. Other considerations**

- 7.1 Patmos Gardens does attract people at night that may lead to anti-social behaviour and or vandalism.
- 7.2 The area benefits from some street lighting but further lighting would benefit from a safety point of view.

**8. Recommendation**

- 8.1 That Members consider whether to replace lighting in the area in total or any combination thereof, or if deciding not to replace, consider whether to decommission the supply

