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REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL

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Date	14th July 2021
SUBJECT	Wheelspark Update and Delegations

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To advise Members that the Wheelspark project is making good progress with an anticipated finish by mid - August, weather permitting.
2. To advise Members that valuations of all works to date are verified by Groundworks and payments made less a 5% retention.
3. To inform Members that Valuation 5 in an amount of circa £63k plus vat, is currently being verified by Groundwork, and that the balance on completion, will be due before the next Full Council meeting, which is not scheduled until 22nd September 2021.
4. To seek the agreement of Members to delegate all remaining payments to be made by the Town Clerk/RFO in consultation with the Chair of Resources within approved budgets.

BACKGROUND

5. The project is now starting to take shape and weather permitting good progress made in respect of concrete pouring.



6. Solicitors have been approached to undertake the final Lease Registration issues and Deed of Covenant with the Environment Agency.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. The contract value of the construction is circa £226k (including £4.5k contingency). c£80k has been paid to date with another £63k now.due The balance of c£83k will be due over the next 6 weeks.Contractual payment terms are 14 days following invoice and validation by Groundwork.
8. Of the c£146k still to pay, Earmarked Reserves stand at £150,594
9. We have asked for a price for a third concrete bench, fixing base/costs for the shelter when back when refurbished (cost £2,800), and for an outdoor piece of gym equipment. We will also need to put up some signage. There will be legal fees of circa £1k. Overall we anticipate still to be within budget providing we have no need to call further on the contingency.

RECOMMENDATION

10. That Members note the continuing progress.
11. That following validation by Groundwork , all remaining payments be delegated to the Town Clerk /RFO to make in consultation with the Chair of Resources subject to being within the budget already approved.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

12. Full Council will not be meeting at a time when payment must be made under the Wheelspark construction contract.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

13. This delivers on a longstanding Policy to provide this facility for the benefit of Todmorden residents.

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION:

14. None from this report

CLIMATE CHANGE:

20. Drainage solutions are being delivered in accordance with Environment Agency permissions.

IMPACT EQUALITY ASSESSMENT

21. None arising from this report.

SUPPORTING PAPERS:

22. None

FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: Colin Hill

