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| FINANCE, POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE | 18 JUNE 2020 | AGENDA ITEM: 14 |
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Report prepared by Angela Price – Town Clerk

ADDITIONAL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH REFURBISHMENT OF WAR MEMORIAL

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to make members of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee of additional costs associated with the refurbishment of the War Memorial.

Detailed Information

Members are aware that the long-awaited refurbishment to the War Memorial in Ledbury commenced on 27 May 2020 at a cost of circa £30,000, which is being paid for by Mr Stuart Heaton.

On 5 June 2020, the Clerk received an email from the Stone Workshop advising that following the initial cleaning of the memorial there was found to be more work required than first realised. They advised that the spire and particularly the finial were not structurally sound and needed replacing. The Clerk requested a quote for the additional works required and upon receipt forwarded it to the Chair and Vice Chair of the Environment & Leisure Committee, along with the Chair of the Finance Committee for consideration.

| Description | Cost |
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| Portland Stone | £1,200 |
| Carving/Masonry | £3,400 |
| Crane Hire for removal and installation | £1,500 |
| Additional Fencing | £400 |
| Additional Materials and labour | £750 |
| TOTAL | £7,250 |

All three Councillors recognised that the works needed to be carried out as part of the refurbishment and agreed the additional expenditure accordingly, with the contractor being advised that the deposit would be paid to enable works on the spire and finial to continue.

Recommendation

That Members of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee receive and note the actions of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Environment and Leisure Committee and the Chair of Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee, in consultation with the Clerk, in respect of the additional repairs and expenditure in relation to the war memorial.