# REPORT FROM: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES MANAGER <br> TO: COLNE AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE <br> DATE: <br> 9 AUGUST 2018 

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## NICHOLAS STREET, COLNE

## PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To inform members of works needed at Nicholas Street, Colne, in order to tidy up the site.
2. To itemise the costs following the last report.

## ISSUES

## Background

1. The Nicholas Street site, shown at Appendix 1, was on the Environmental Blight list and report in 2009. The Environmental Action Group (EAG) resolved the issue.
2. In November 2015 Nicholas Street was one of the miscellaneous pieces of land on the list of sites brought before the Transfer of Services and Facilities Committee.
3. The Town and Parish Council did not agree to the land being transferred to them and so it is still the responsibility of Pendle Council.
4. The site now looks neglected and in need of attention despite it being regularly mowed.

## Current Situation

5. At the May meeting the Neighbourhood Services Manager was asked to bring back to a future meeting a list of jobs which needed to be done to tidy the site along with an estimate for the works.
6. At the July meeting the Neighbourhood Services Manager was asked to break down the costs to decide which work was capital and which revenue.
7. The breakdown of costs is as follows:

- Fencing - £311.13
- Replace 2 posts
- Creosote posts
- Replace approximately 11 metres of scaffolding posts (fence)
- Painting and soil - £440
- Rub down and paint green or black 4 panels
- Paint 2 benches
- Dig out fire-damaged turf, top soil and re-seed
- Path - £582.98
- Weed kill path
- Patch repairs to footpath**
- Replace and re-set edging where required
- Shrubs - £675
- Remove shrubs and chip on site
- Litter pick

Total cost: £2,009.11
VAT @ 20\% £401.82

## Total £2,410.93

** Patch repairs to the footpath are estimated at 8 bags of cold lay tarmac. EAG will not be able to fully estimate the repairs required until the shrubs have been removed.
8. Our Chief Finance Officer advises that this is all revenue costs and so cannot be funded from this year's Capital Programme. However, it could be funded from last year's uncommitted Horticulture Projects funding for Waterside (see paragraph 9 of the Capital Programme report elsewhere on the agenda).

## IMPLICATIONS

Policy: None directly arising from this report.
Financial: Funding would need to be secured to complete the necessary works.
Legal: None directly arising from this report.
Risk Management: The site belongs to Pendle Council and so we have an obligation to ensure there is no risk to the general public.

Health and Safety: None directly arising from this report.
Sustainability: None directly arising from this report.
Community Safety: None directly arising from this report.

Equality and Diversity: None directly arising from this report.

## APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Site plan.

## LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS None.



