

REPORT FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

TO: COLNE AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE

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TOWN BOUNDARY SIGNS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To demonstrate how the proposed signs will look.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That the report be noted.
- (2) That the preferred sign is determined.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) To progress the replacement of the supplementary boundary signs.

BACKGROUND

1. At the 1st December 2022 meeting of the Committee, it was resolved –
 - 1) That the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager be requested to submit a report to a future meeting of this Committee showing mock-up signs using the following text –
 - We're Jammin'
 - Bonnie Colne on th'ill
 - Market Town since 1120
 - Where the band plays on
 - East Lancs. Theatreland
 - A Town on the Edge
 - 2) That funding for the signs be considered at that same meeting.

OPTIONS

2. A mock-up sign containing each of the suggested texts is shown in Appendix 1. The design would replicate the size and style of the existing supplementary sign and involve the direct replacement of signs sited at the Colne boundary at the following locations –
 - Barrowford Road
 - Burnley Road
 - Keighley Road
 - Skipton Road
 - Vivary Way
3. Lancashire County Council have been consulted on the suggested sign options and are due to respond about the acceptability of the proposals. It is expected that an update to confirm their views will be provided before or at the meeting of the Committee.
4. The boundary sign post at Vivary Way is currently in poor condition aesthetically due to the degradation of the black paint and it would be beneficial to either replace or re-paint this post. The safety measures required due to vehicular speeds at this location do however impact upon the cost of carrying out this work.

COSTS

5. To supply and install the replacement supplementary signs below the 'Welcome to Colne' signs at the above five locations would cost £431.
6. To replace the five signs and the Vivary Way sign post would cost £884. Alternatively, to replace the signs and just paint the Vivary Way sign post would cost £500.

RECOMMENDATION

7. It is recommended that the Committee determine their preferred sign and if it is decided to proceed, to allocate the funds required to undertake the project.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy:

None arising directly from the report.

Financial:

It will cost £431 to replace the signs and an additional £453 or £69 to either replace or paint the post at Vivary Way if deemed necessary. There is currently no budget allocation for the maintenance of boundary signs.

Legal:

Boundary signage is a District Level function and the existing signage was installed by the Council. However, any changes to the design of the signage requires the consent of Lancashire County Council, as Highway Authority.

Risk Management:

None arising directly from the report.

Health and Safety:

The works will be undertaken by a suitably qualified contractor who will use the required traffic management to carry out the works in a safe manner.

Sustainability:

None arising directly from the report.

Community Safety:

None arising directly from the report.

Equality and Diversity:

None arising directly from the report.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 Sign Mock-ups

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS