

## Refurbishment of BT Call Box at Shop Hill

Wickhambrook Parish Council acquired the BT Call Box at Shop Hill as a parish asset on 26 October 2017, valued at £1. In 2019 the Estates Committee arranged for it to be fitted out as a book exchange and this work was completed in June 2020.

A mail box has recently been fitted within the Call Box for return of consultation questionnaires (initially for the Neighbourhood Plan, but this could be extended to other consultations in the future).

Cllr Lavelle reported late last year that the paintwork to the call box is now quite faded and flaking in places. An allocation of

At its November meeting the Estates Committee considered a review of Estates budgets and a draft 3 year plan, which included an allocation of £1000 for grounds maintenance. The draft budget was approved by full council at its meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023 and the Estates Committee approved its work plan at the February meeting.

Costs for materials based on an assessment by Cllr Lavelle of the work(s) required below are:

• Wire brushes x 2	£ 7.41
• 1 inch paint brushes x 3	£ 6.73
• <a href="#">Pillar Box red paint (2 Litres).</a>	£ 64.55
• Panel degreasant	£ 12.29
• Enamel primer	£ 12.55
<b>Total</b>	<b>£103.53</b>

Additionally, with more volunteer activities being organised, the purchase of a [workplace first aid kit](#) for the event leader to have to hand would be advisable and these can be obtained at a cost of £20.82 at current pricing.

There may be a subsequent need to replace the Perspex panels to the top of the call box, which can be reviewed at a later meeting.

### **Action:**

**Identify whether, in event of major damage to the call box, there would be a desire to replace it.**

### **Recommendation:**

**To authorise the cost of materials and kit to support refurbishment of the BT Call Box at Shop Hill at a cost of not more than £125.00**

### **Reports**

WPC.EC.22.11.04  
WPC.22.11.08  
WPC.23.01.08  
WPC.EC.23.02.01

### **Minutes**

WPC.EC.22.11.11  
WPC.22.11.14  
WPC.23.01.12  
WPC.EC.23.02.08

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