

Adjustment to Grounds Contracts Budget Lines

When the budget was being prepared the budget lines for the grass cutting on the Recreation Ground and Six Acres was anticipated at £1500, and the Grounds Contract for the remaining areas of the Parish as £13,000 (Total £14,500) (Budget approved by the Council at its meeting on 16th January 2020 (**Min. Ref. 20.01.11.2**)).

At its meeting on 5th March, the Estates Cttee agreed to continue with grounds contracts on the same basis as the current financial year (Vertas for the Recreation Ground and Six Acres grass cutting, D. R. King for the remainder). The quote for D.R. King was £11,900. Vertas have quoted £1734.61 (they are both plus VAT), which means that the budget lines are slightly out. The total cost of the contracts is £ 13,634.61, still within the total of the two budget lines.

Proposal

Adjust the budget lines under Estates in the budget approved on 16th January 2020 as below:

Recreation ground	Mowing	£ 2,000.00
Grounds contract	Mowing and hedging	£ 12,500.00