

UKPN Revised Cost to install new power cable

Final Decision-Maker	COBTREE MANOR ESTATE CHARITY COMMITTEE
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Classification	Public
Wards affected	ALL

Executive Summary

The report seeks approval from the committee to accept the new quotation from UK Power Networks (UKPN) and increased costs for the installation of a electric power cable to the Cobtree Visitor Centre.

This report makes the following recommendations to this Committee:

1. To accept the increased cost for the installation of the power cable of £2,239.
2. To give delegated authority to the Head of Mid Kent Legal Services to enter into contracts and any other necessary agreements for a new power supply to the Cobtree Visitor Centre based on the revised costs

Timetable

Meeting	Date
COBTREE MANOR ESTATE CHARITY COMMITTEE	1 st August 2018

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1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Cobtree Manor and Estate Trust had previously agreed on the 25th January 2018 to the installation of a new power cable by UKPN. Due to the delay in commencing the contract with the external café operator the original quotation from UKPN is no longer valid. A new quotation is £2,239 higher than the original one. This report seeks authority to accept this increase and progress with the proposed works.
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2. AVAILABLE OPTIONS

- 2.1 Accept the new quotation and increased cost. The trust had previously agreed to the installation and related cost for the increased power capacity to the visitor centre as this represented a sound investment in the assets of the Trust.
- 2.2 UKPN are the only supplier and installer of national power infrastructure and as such we have no other option on the provider of this service. The previous quotation was £23,668 (received on the 19th December 2017 and valid for 90 days). The revised costs of works are £25,907 (quotation received 21st May and valid for 90 days). The operator of the café will contribute to these costs over the period of their lease via uplift of £2,900 in the annual rent over the 5 years (£14,500) once works are completed.
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3. PREFERRED OPTION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 To award the contract to UKPN for the works and proceed with works as this is the only supplier/installer of major cable infrastructure.
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4. RISK

- 4.1 The risks associated with this proposal, including the risks if the Council does not act as recommended, have been considered in line with the Council's Risk Management Framework. We are satisfied that the risks associated are within the Council's risk appetite and will be managed as per the Policy.
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5. CONSULTATION RESULTS AND PREVIOUS COMMITTEE FEEDBACK

- 5.1 CMET had previously voted unanimously to approve this work based on the previous quotation and whilst it is frustrating that UKPN costs have

increased, these costs will be shared with the café operator and paid back via the uplift in annual rent.

6. NEXT STEPS: COMMUNICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISION

- 6.1 Place the order with UKPN to undertake the works as outlined in the attached quotation
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7. CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES AND IMPLICATIONS

No implications have been identified.

Issue	Implications	Sign-off
Impact on Corporate Priorities	We do not expect the recommendations will by themselves materially affect achievement of corporate priorities. However, they will support the Trust's overall achievement of its aims as set out in section 3	Dawn Hudd-Head of Regeneration & Economic Development
Risk Management	Refer to paragraph 4.1 of the report	Dawn Hudd-Head of Regeneration & Economic Development
Financial	The proposals set out in the recommendation are all within already approved budgetary headings and so need no new funding for implementation.	Paul Holland, Senior Finance Manager
Staffing	We will deliver the recommendations with our current staffing.	Dawn Hudd-Head of Regeneration & Economic Development
Legal	Acting on the recommendations is within the Trust Committee's powers to enable the required works to be undertaken by	Head of Mid Kent Legal Services

	UKPN and the relevant legal agreements to be entered into.	
Privacy and Data Protection	N/A	Head of Mid Kent Legal Services
Equalities	The recommendations do not propose a change in service therefore will not require an equalities impact assessment	Policy & Information Manager
Crime and Disorder	N/A	Dawn Hudd-Head of Regeneration & Economic Development
Procurement		Dawn Hudd-Head of Regeneration & Economic Development