

## Berwick upon Tweed Town Council

Budget & Administration Committee 10 August 2021 Appendix D

Report of Assistant to the Clerk

**Spittal Splash Park** 

**Access** Public

## **Background**

- 1. Spittal Splash Park has been the subject of ongoing issues in recent weeks.
- 2. Separate to the quote below we are awaiting a report on the condition of all the park components, including the pumps and fittings within the cabinet.

## **Issues**

- 3. A current issue is the arc feature located between the cabinet and the Splash Park.
- 4. One suitable contractor has been identified to repair the feature and their quote is as follows:

"Based on our attendance at site this morning, we can re-confirm that the "ARC" Drinking Water Feature is "NOT" leaking any large amounts of Water from the leaking valve assembly or from the underside of the Feature Assembly (we have repressurized the Water supply line that supplies water to the Feature and monitored the Water flow using the existing meter that supplies water to the feature, you can hardly tell that it is moving. Based on previous tests we assess that its probably using around 4 to 6 litres a day, due to the leak, compare this to around 80,000 litres a day that the Features use, it's not very much.

We have managed to sort out how to remove the Feature from its mounting location i.e., Off the ground mounting arrangement – It turns out that the Whole arrangement seems to screw off a central mounting collar located underneath the feature, which would make sense from a maintenance perspective. Based on this fact, we would recommend that the feature is removed, the water Supply Connection is "Blanked Off" and a "Blanking" cover plate is placed over the exposed hole. Once this has been completed, we can strip down the Feature in our workshop and replace all defective parts associated with its operation. Once this is complete, the Feature could then be returned to site and refitted. Hopefully, everything back to normal.

a. Based on us attending site to "Fully" remove the Feature Assembly from its present location and returning to our workshop for refurbishment; these works would involve us blanking off the Water Supply Connection located underneath the feature and then providing a temporary "Blanking" cover plate, to cover up the hole in the ground. Our cost would be £670.46p (Ex-VAT).

- b. Once the Feature Has been returned to our workshops, we would "Fully" strip down the Feature and assess what requires replacement, internally (Valve assembly – Pipework – Nozzle as an example); unfortunately, until we strip down the Feature and see what's wrong with it, it's hard to say what is needed to put things right. Based on this fact we would give a budget price of £894.68p (Ex-VAT).
- c. Based on us attending site with the Refurbished Drinking Water Feature; Removal of all Temporary "Blanking" Cover plates and Water Connection Blanking Plugs; Re-fitting the Refurbished Drinking Water Feature in its Original Location; making good all water connections to the features. Our cost would be £709.20p (Ex-VAT).

If you want to proceed with the refurbishment, please let us know and we will arrange to get the materials and Labour organised, ASAP."

## Recommendation

1. To approve the quote for work to the Spittal Splash Park.

Author	SC	Town Clerk sign off (if required)	GD
Checked by	GD	Finance Officer sign off (if required)	N/A