

**SHREWSBURY TOWN COUNCIL
FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
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Tender Work

Purpose of Report

To receive an update on current tendering works and recently awarded contracts

Current Tenders

- 1- **Kynaston Road Play**
Live closing date 5/5/23

Recently Closed Tenders

- 1- **Old Riverbed** – Beaver Project – Closed and awaiting clarification
- 2- **Kynaston Road Drainage** – Closed and awaiting contractor clarification
- 3- **Kynaston Road Wheeled Sports tack** – Closed under review

Update on other tendering works

Bus Shelter Replacements – Installations complete, Sedum Roofs started
Moston Road Wheeled Sports Track – Awaiting start date
Monkmoor Tennis Lighting – Awaiting Start date

Update on current works

Old Riverbed - Beaver project.

Following the closing date for tender submissions. A full evaluation of the tenders has been completed and a meeting with the wildlife trust has occurred to establish funding availability. Following the identification of a preferred tenderer a shortfall of funding of approximately 7.6K has been identified, this figure is using the most up to date details available. however, this will not allow for any contingencies that may occur during the project. It is proposed that a budget of 20K be allocated by Shrewsbury Town Council to allow the project to be completed and allow for unforeseen issues during construction. This will allow the contract to be awarded and eliminate any further delays.

Bus Shelter Replacements

The project to install the new shelters was completed a head of the end of the end of March deadline as agreed with the contractor. Town Council staff have now begun the install of the sedum roofs with the first ones installed outside and opposite the Shirehall this will be completed over the coming months allowing for our usual planting processes.

St Johns Hill

The building work at St Johns Hill has been completed and staff moved into the property on the 23rd and 24th of March as planned. Progress is being made on the council meeting room to allow meetings to be held.

Monkmoor Tennis Courts Lighting

Following the review of the submitted tenders, this project has been awarded to Halliday Lighting. This is the same company that installed the floodlighting for the Astro-turf pitch. Currently awaiting start date for the install.

Kynaston Road Projects

Following a drainage survey at Kynaston road recreation ground, it was established that there is enough fall within the existing drainage system to accommodate draining around the play areas. Contractors have been asked to confirm that this meets their requirements for the proposed systems.

Wheeled sports track is currently review following the opening of tenders.

Infant play area is currently live with a closing date of 5/5/23. There have been several expressions of interest in this tender so far.

Production and Lead Times

Whilst projects have been completed recently it is worth reminding council that some of these have been programmed in for some time now. Suppliers and Installers lead times have not showed any sign of easing recently.

Lead times are asked for in tender submissions, but these can only be used for the week or even day of the submittance as they are ever changing, firm dates are often not available until the point of order and even then, they may slip due to production line issues.

The project manager will continue to pursue prompt supply and install dates during projects and will keep ward members up to date when appropriate.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (i) That a 20K budget for the old riverbed project be allocated.**
- (ii) The report be noted.**