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	<b>Telephone Kiosk Refurbishment</b>	<b>CE5/44</b>	

At the Annual Meeting of the Council on 20.05.25, Council resolved to adopt the Mostyn Square telephone kiosk. The off-site restoration cost was estimated at £6,500 + locks + haulage.

It had been hoped to restore all three kiosks (ie including the two in Little Neston approved at an earlier meeting) at the same time to reduce haulage costs. BT have, however, advised that it could take up to 12 months from now to disconnect the electricity supply to the Mostyn Square kiosk.

As restoration of the Little Neston kiosks has already been significantly delayed due to issues with electricity disconnection (finally resolved), and as the Little Neston funding is in place, Committee may wish to consider proceeding with the restoration of the Little Neston kiosks in 2026 and treating the Mostyn Square kiosk as a separate project for 2027. The restoration contractor is currently taking bookings for spring 2027 but he does have one slot available in 2026 which he is holding for us. If Committee decides to avoid any further delay, this available slot could be used for restoration of the Little Neston kiosks and a holding deposit could be paid to reserve a slot for restoration of the Mostyn Square kiosk in spring 2027. This would obviously increase haulage costs but the cost would be spread over two financial years.

#### **Points for Discussion and Decision**

1. Whether to instruct the appointed contractor to make arrangements for transport of the Royal Oak and Landseer Avenue telephone kiosks for restoration during 2026. (The contractor has held the restoration prices quoted in August 2024 without increase.)
2. Whether to approve restoration of the Mostyn Square telephone kiosk by the existing contractor during 2027 at a cost of £6,500 + £330 for locks on the understanding that these are current costs and could be subject to increase. Haulage costs are currently estimated at approximately £1,100. If there is a need for a new concrete base for this kiosk, it can be arranged with our current ground works contractor at a cost of approximately £600.

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