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EXPENDITURE SINCE THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Legionella risk assessments and water testing at all three allotment sites at a combined cost of £475+VAT (C&E minute 122a, 12.05.26).

Equals Card Payments (C&E Minute 130, 09.04.24 / C&E Minute 64d, 25.11.25)

Padlock for Marshlands allotment site standpipe: £17.88+VAT (minute 123c, 13.02.2)

Prizes for Junior Council stall at Neston Village Fair: £9.90 (minute 113c, 14.04.26).

CIVIC PRIDE PROJECT (C&E Minutes 69, 75 and 76, 25.11.25. C&E minute 127b, 12.05.26)

Windows/Doors

Painting of ground floor front windows and doors completed 23.06.26. £2,012.50 deposit paid 27.01.26. Remaining balance of £6,037.50 paid 30.06.26. In addition to this balance, two other payments were made:

1. a heavy-duty ground bolt needed to be added to the old post office front door (£40);
2. replacement of tools and batteries (£179.99).

Signage

The new signs above the front doors were installed on 19.06.26 and the invoice of £440 was paid on 30.06.26.

All costs stated above are exclusive of VAT.

Reimbursement

The contractor was provided with a secure space to store tools. Unfortunately, a community group compromised this security by leaving the space unlocked and unattended whilst the front door was open. Following discussion with the C&E Chair, the Town Council has reimbursed the contractor for the cost of replacement tools. The community group has been approached to ask if they are willing/able to make a contribution and we await a response.

Window Box Restraints/Frames

Requirements sent to appointed contractor and final cost/timescale awaited.

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