

To receive a report on the Town Vitality Community Space Project and consider any actions and associated expenditure.

At the 15 May Town Team meeting, Members discussed the Town Centre Project (Community Open Space – Fore Street) next steps and agreed to request Cormac to provide a quote to undertake a safety review / audit in relation to a three-month parklet, markets, better signage and greener areas within Fore Street at a maximum cost of £6,000.

Associated costs are to be allocated to the Town Delivery and Accelerator Funding pots.

As always, Town Team are working to a tight timeframe due to the funding criteria – project to be delivered by March 2025.

With that in mind, Town Team are aiming to hold markets within the summer months (hopefully better weather!) and hope to connect with the Saltash Ferry timetable encouraging footfall to our town.

Saltash Town Council Financial Regulations require Town Team to obtain three quotes for a safety review / audit. This is going to be difficult to achieve due to the timeframe, summer months passing by, issue of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) etc, and I expect Cornwall Council Highways will request to review and approve another highway contractors audit, potentially creating further delay.

Therefore, Members are asked to consider suspending Financial Regulations Section 4.2:

- Three quotes typically over £3,000.

To allow Town Team to appoint Cormac within the available funds by way of delegation to the Town Clerk to ensure the appointment meets the remainder of Saltash Town Council's procurement requirements.

End of Report
Town Clerk/RFO