

**Date:** 2 February 2017

**Title:** Report Item 5: Council Noticeboards

**By:** Cllr Stewart Fuller

**Purpose of Report:** To provide a note on the status of council-owned noticeboards and obtain approval for maintenance

**Recommendations:** **APPROVE** the maintenance of the Noticeboards up the budgeted provision

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1. The Parish Council owns and maintains four physical noticeboards in three locations:-

NB1&2	Downlands Way precinct
NB3	adjacent to village hall car park
NB4	entrance to Windmill Lane/A259

2. All are of wooden construction. NB's 1&2 are fixed to a resident's property (by agreement), and NB3 and NB4 each stand independently on two uprights. Although still serviceable they are all in need of attention, primarily owing to damp ingress.

3. NB's 1, 2 and 3 are in areas of relative high footfall compared with NB4. The possible placing of a new NB at Birling Gap was considered but the NT reluctantly declined a request based on their current policies

4. There is a budget allowance of £500 in 2016/17 for NB maintenance but this is unlikely to be spent. This, coupled with the growing need for remedial action, led to the inclusion of £1,500 in the approved 2017/18 budget

5. It is proposed to:-

- a) remove NB4 at the entrance to Windmill Lane
  - b) get local builders/handi-man to report on the state of the remaining NB's and provide estimates for repair
  - c) instruct repairs/replacement up to the budgeted amount (or such other sums approved by the PCM)
  - d) schedule the work for around Q2 2017
  - e) report back to PCM when work is completed
  - f) nominate councillor Fuller as lead/contact
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