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Footpath in St Andrews Churchyard

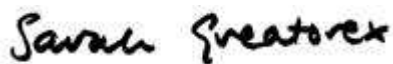
The footpath in St Andrews churchyard was repaired around 10 years ago, at considerable expense, by Colne contracts. At that time there was some confusion as the paths were initially laid with shingle and then tarmac was laid over the top, which increased the cost.

Over recent months, several incidents have been reported to the Council related to the state of the footpaths. On one occasion a member of the church ran in the icy weather and slipped and broke his hip. On another an ankle was badly twisted. Complaints have been made that the number of potholes are making the paths dangerous.

A number of contractors have been contacted with a view to repairing the paths. Two quotations have so far been received. Both contractors feel that the general state of the paths is not bad. The area which needs repair is the most used diagonal footpath from Colchester Road to the end of Parsonage Street, where there are a number of small potholes and the surface has been worn away. There are a few small potholes in the other 2 paths which could be filled as a minor repair. Neither contractor feels that a complete resurfacing is necessary. The cost of doing this would be £1240 + VAT if Colne Contracts were to do the work, and £1300 if DNResinbound do the work.

There is no specific budget for this. If we decide to move forward we would have to decide where the funds would be taken from. The options are to do it now, to put it off for 6 months, when we can review our financial position, or to delay until next financial year.

Recommendation: that HTC decides whether to repair the footpath, and if so which contractor to engage, and when to carry out the work.



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