

Committee	FULL COUNCIL
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Riverside Footbridge update

The working group met on Weds 10 March to discuss the remaining aspects of the project. The structural work on the top of the footbridge has been completed. There remains a small amount of work to be done underwater, that can only commence from 1 April 2021, once the fish breeding season is over, however, this work does not affect the possibility of pedestrians walking over the bridge and the work will be planned for the summer months.

The footbridge working group decided that it would be better to complete all works which were preventing the opening of the bridge. The last task to be completed now is the painting of the railings on the bridge and alongside the river. The Chairman of the working group and the Town Clerk have obtained 3 quotes. Details of these are contained in the confidential report Item 11a.

Quote A: £7000 including scaffolding + VAT for the bridge
£5000 + VAT for the handrails
Total £12000 + VAT

Quote B: £3330 including scaffolding + VAT for the bridge
£2430 + VAT for handrails
Total £5760 + VAT

Quote C: £6970 including scaffolding + VAT for bridge
£7270 + VAT for handrails
Total £14240 + VAT

The difference between quote A and that of both B and C is in the type of paint/finish; Quote A is for a 2-part acrylic coating which will last longer than the other quotes that both use a standard Dulux metal shield paint. The working group felt that the longer duration would be of benefit both from an environmental aspect as well as longer mean time between necessary maintenance.

Recommendation: that HTC selects quote A provided that the benefactor agrees to this option but that quote B is selected as the alternative.



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