

## Report of the Town Hall Roof repairs working group

### This report at 30 November 2020

We have a proposal from Michael Fountain of Savills to replace the roof covering with an enhanced design to incorporate increased falls, deeper gutters to allow water away quickly and ventilation underneath. This will cost in the region of £250,000.00.

Group have asked Savills to consider options to reduce cost:

Can we replace only the lead itself on top of the original timber work with no new falls or deeper gutters?

Can we replace only lead itself using existing timber work but adding tilting pieces to introduce step in roof and create deeper gutter?

Is there anyway to execute both of the above as well as the full Savills solution of new lead, new timber work with increased falls and gutters without the need for a full scaffold around the whole building?

Covid permitting, Robin L has invited Michael Fountain to meet in person at the Town Hall on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December to discuss the pros and cons of these options.

At the last Full Council we agreed to put the start of these works on hold whilst we investigate if it is possible to secure funding assistance from any other source. Mayor Hunt and the Town Clerk have now commissioned Katie Rathbone for this roll.

Katie R has reported by Email 16/11/20 that only Historic England may be the only funder likely to consider any support for ATC which she will follow up. She questions whether ATC can seek help from the Public, this needs to be put before full council.

The temporary repairs are just holding up despite the severe weather, The biggest vulnerability are the gutters which can be overwhelmed at times. Sue Roddick has the contact details of Michael F's approved repair contractor as and when necessary.

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