

Informal Meeting with Mainmark

8th August 2022

PRESENT

Parish Councillors – John Bailey, Iain Keeping, Jonny Kershaw, Neil Matthews, Ann Wright (Clerk).

Mainmark – Paul Palmer (PP)

Purpose of Meeting: To discuss quote provided by Mainmark.

It was noted the quote was based on the site visit and the report produced by Tier rather than by a full survey by Mainmark as such it was raised what would be the outcome if when work is started it is found there is a huge void under the Memorial.

PP reported that the quote was based on measurements taken at the site visit and that the quote is a fixed cost.

It was noted that when on site the team will use a piece of equipment which will hammer into the ground down to 3m and measure the density of the ground. PP reported the amount of resin he has calculated to use (320kg) should be more than adequate, and that his calculations are usually accurate.

It was noted a full survey would require the whole site to be excavated.

The works will require the team to drill under the Memorial, possibly in 8 places up to a depth of 3m to inject the resin, the injections will take place at several depths and are injected under pressure to fill voids. The resin takes 7 seconds to set and expands by 1.5m. Most of the resin will be injected under the where the Memorial is leaning.

It was reported that a number of paving stones around the Memorial will require lifting for the injecting to take place, it was confirmed the Mainmark team can do this if required. They will replace them but would not do the finer/cosmetic works required when replacing them. It was emphasised that it is important the paving stones are returned to their correct positions.

It was confirmed the Memorial will require repointing after the works.

It was asked if the 3m depth would be adequate to fill the void under the Memorial, it was noted the resin will go beyond 3m as it is injected under pressure and that it was unlikely that it would not reach far enough.

It was noted the Memorial cross is one piece held in place by a steel dowelling and is therefore a rigid structure which will not have a large tolerance for movement.

Risk & Liability

Clarification was sought about what liability Mainmark would have for the Memorial while undertaking the works. It was agreed this would be clarified by email.

It was agreed before the works a meeting take place on site to identify any issues or existing damage on the Memorial.

It was expected that workers would be on site for 4 or 5 hours and would not necessarily require access to a WC or kitchen, although it was noted that Barbour Institute had agreed in principle to allow use of their facilities including access to the Memorial via the Millfield.

Mainmark can provide a risk assessment of the works and copies of insurance documents. It was agreed that councillors would review the terms and conditions on the quote and highlight any concerns.

Payment

It was noted that payment is a 30% deposit and then a final payment of 70% on completion of the works. It was stated it would be better if a small percentage of the final payment could be withheld for an agreed period in case of any issues with the works.

PP confirmed he did not propose any changes to the quote following this meeting and confirmed the price provided included a discount of around £1.5k.

All were thanked for attending the meeting.

Ann Wright
12th August 2022