

Report for Town Welfare Sub-Committee

Date:

OCTOBER 2020

5 key points to note:

1. Network Rail have now appointed a sponsor to progress the lease contract for station building. Meetings scheduled with Cllr Okey, sponsor, WMR & Network Rail.

2. Planning permission has been submitted for both outdoor gym & new junior play area for Riverlands

3 Stage 1 of Heritage Trail has now been submitted to full council for approval and to seek agreement to go to production

4. Planting has been completed on Prince Harry Carpark, assisted by Community Pay Back Team and volunteer Sue Bird

5. Undergraduate from Birmingham University to work with Cllr Okey for 70 hours work on Heritage Trail & Station transformation. First meeting has taken place. Plan for a report on how railway can work more closely to meet our business needs

6. Meeting held with Bee Friendly Trust Foundation and Community Rail Partnership to finalise plans for Shakespeare Garden and to explore grant opportunities

Financial transactions this month:

PLANTS & BULBS PRINCE HARRY CARPARK £463.13 (budget £500)

BULBS & FISH BONE HENLEY STATION £14.99 (budget £300)

SPRARY PAINT HERITAGE TRAIL £22 (budget £5000)

Actions for next month:

- 1. Continue lease agreements with Network Rail re station building**
- 2. Commence preliminary work for grant application for station building & Shakespeare Garden**
- 3. Commence with stage 1 of Heritage Trail & begin stage 2**
- 4. Work with Undergraduate to produce first report bus v rail**
- 5. Work with undergraduate and local businesses to progress first report**