



Haverhill Area Working Party 10 December 2009

Queen Street Enhancement Works: Drakes Yard

1. Background

- 1.1 On 22 October 2009, Members requested that further details be provided on costs for the erection of a gateway feature to Drakes Yard together with a lower cost alternative option.

2. Brick and Stone Gateway

- 2.1 Although an indicative sketch on private land, the suggested gateway feature to Drakes Yard was supported by the Working Party and there was disappointment that this was not included in the works. The landowner had originally expressed an interest in funding the gateway but later withdrew this offer. The cost of the feature, as illustrated in Section 3 of the report, would be greater than earlier estimated and the latest estimates based on guideline prices received would be as follows:-

2.1.1 Construction Works

(1)	Supply of stonework (in reconstituted stone)	£1,800.00
(2)	Supply of bricks	£ 550.00
(3)	Supply of metalwork	£ 560.00
(4)	Sundry materials	£ 110.00
(5)	Lifting apparatus	£ 120.00
(6)	Labour	£ 800.00
(7)	Extra over for foundations	£ 300.00
(8)	Making good highway works	<u>£ 260.00</u>
	Sub Total Construction Works	£ 4,500.00

2.1.2 Engineering Works

There are number of underground services in the immediate area that would require moving. These costs can not easily be estimated in advance and are often undertaken on a 'cost plus' basis. The costs given are based on experience as such, but final costs for these elements may vary significantly

(1) Extra over for:-	
(a) relocating downpipe	£ 200.00
(b) relocating gas	£ 600.00
(c) relocating BT service	<u>£ 1,500.00</u>
	£ 2,300.00
Overall Total (excl Vat)	£ 6,800.00

3. Brick and Stone Gateway Illustration



4. Lower Cost Option

Together with the original brick and stone entrance feature, a lower cost option is illustrated in Appendix A attached to the report. The materials shown in this option are steel-capped timber and steel arch supported on timber posts. The gate has also been omitted. It is anticipated that this option would not require the relocation of services and, taking into account the lower cost in materials and labour it is estimated that the overall cost would be in the range of £2,000 to £2,500.

5. Recommendation

- 5.1 It is **RECOMMENDED** that the Working Party considers both options, and provides direction to the officers on whether or not to proceed with either of the two schemes illustrated in Section 3 and Appendix A of Report A388.

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