

Agenda Item: 9 (b) Asset Transfer Appendix D
Report to: Finance and General Purposes Committee
Date: Wednesday 15th December 2021
Subject: Asset Transfer
Summary: To receive background information

Recommendation:

The committee is recommended to note the report.

1. Asset Transfer

One of the purposes of creating a town council was to allow local Bexhill services to be transferred to a more local management.

2. Assets

The district council has indicated that the following assets could be transferred to the town council:

a) Grounds Maintenance of the following areas:

Terminus Road OS
Former Bex High School
Preston Road Allotments
All Saints Allotments
Little Common Roundabout
Ingramsplay area
Town Centre Planters
Jubilee Road Plantation
Preston Road Play Area
Polegrove Recreation Ground
Egerton Park
Broad Oak Park
Bexhill Down
Manor Gardens
Sidley House Grounds
Sidley Green
Gillham Woods
Levetts Wood (Bexhill)
Levetts Field (Bexhill)
Penland Wood
Collington Wood (Bexhill)
Seabourne Road Recreation Ground
St Marys Recreation Ground
Galley Hill Open Space

Barrack Hall Open space
Barrack Rd Open Space
The Briary/Portfield Close Open Space
Little Common Recreation Ground
Sidley Recreation Ground
Former railway track (CVCP)
Bending Crescent Open Space
Southlands Play Area
St Barnabas Gardens
Beaulieu Road Open Space
Bexhill Skate Park
De Moleyns Close
Glebe Close Open Space
Martyns Way Open Space
St Marys Park Open Space
Sackville Roundabout
Marina Court Garden De La Warr Parade
East Parade PC
Sidley Toilets Ninfield road
West Parade PC
Little Common Roundabout PC
Ashcombe Park Open Space
Lanes Gardens

b) Grounds Maintenance in the following car parks (not the actual car parks)

Sidley Car Park
The Gorses Car Park
Little Common

c) Those highlighted in yellow require further investigation before final confirmation.

d) Public Conveniences

Bexhill Cemetery
Cooden Sea Road
Devonshire Square
Egerton Park
Little Common rec
Little Common roundabout
Manor Barn car park
Normans Bay
Polegrove Bowls Area
Polegrove Grandstand
Sidley

e) Bus Shelters

1	London Road os Maggies Kitchen
2	Seabourne Road os Community centre
3	Third Avenue
4	Haslam Crescent
5	Turkey Road os 124
6	Terminus Road os West Station
7	Ninfield Road opp Buxton Drive
8	Penland Road opp College
9	Endwell Road os Station
10	Endwell Road opp Post Office
11	Turkey Road os Rose and Crown
12	Ninfield Road os Lidl
13	Ninfield Road os 19
14	Ninfield Road os Dry Cleaners
15	Devonshire Road os The Harp
16	Devonshire Road os EWM
17	Birkdale os Nelson House
18	Holliers Hill os 52
19	West Down Road os 1
20	Hastings Road os Car park
21	Ninfield Road jct Mayo Lane
22	Little Common Road jct Broadoak Lane
23	Cooden sea Road os 50
24	Cooden sea Road os Church
25	Collington Avenue
26	Birkdale opp Nelson House
27	Turkey Road os St Marys wood
28	Buckhurst Road
29	Barnhorn Road os 31
30	Barnhorn Road opp 39
31	Barnhorn Road opp 130
32	Barnhorn Road os 134
33	London Road os Recreation Ground
34	Marina opp Wilton Road
35	Dorset Road os 105
36	Cooden Sea Road os Station
37	Hastings Road School Place
38	London Road os Town Hall
39	Dorset Rd os 41

1	De La Warr Road opp Penland Road
2	Little Common Roundabout
3	Gunters Lane opp Mill Park
4	Holliers Hill jct St Johns Road
5	Terminus Road opp 7

6	Upper Sea Road os Manor Barn
7	Marina os De La Warr Pavillion
8	Cooden Sea Road opp 169

f) Other

Bexhill Museum

3. Funding

Should transfer of these assets take place the cost of maintenance and future repairs and replacement would be the responsibility of the town council. Effectively, a change of ownership would take place and the town council would be legally responsible.

The town council could collect funding towards the grounds maintenance, bus shelters and museum through special expenses.

Public conveniences funding would need to be considered as a separate matter.

4. Next Steps

The Asset Transfer Committee is meeting to review the costs of maintenance of the assets listed and make recommendations to full council on how to proceed.

The town council is not obliged to accept transfer of any of these assets, however with the financial strains on local councils means that the district council may have to reduce services in order to maintain financial stability. This would have a subsequent effect on the maintenance of these assets.