

HILTON PARISH COUNCIL

Paper to Councillors for review at Meeting on 18th December 2019

Title : Replacement of Parish Council Van

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1. Summary

At the Parish Council meeting of 30th October 2019 there was a discussion regarding the provision of the van for the ground staff and options were given in the paper circulated. The discussion considered the following:

- The lease on the current vehicle should be extended to allow more time to replace the vehicle
- The leased electric vehicle and purchased diesel vehicle should be explored further
- The trailer option should be explored
- A paper with further details for discussion to be presented at the 18/12/19 meeting.

2. Extension of Lease of Current Vehicle

Toyota Finance has been contacted and will extend the lease of the current vehicle for 3 months or 12 months based on the current rate. There is no discount to the current rate in the extension period. This cannot be put in place until 31/12/19 as Toyota will need the vehicle mileage to ensure it will not exceed the contracted mileage of 24000. Our estimates show at the 31/12/19 this will be 3600 and at 31/12/20 this will be around 5000 therefore we will not exceed the mileage.

Should the lease extension be required then application for this will have to be made in the last week of December.

3. Second Hand Vehicle

A review of the Auto Trader website has found a number of vehicles as follows:

| Vehicle | Fuel | Year | Mileage | Warranty | Price (inc VAT) |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Vauxhall Combo 1.3 | Diesel | 2016 | 59000 | 3 month | £4740 |
| Renault Kangoo 1.5 | Diesel | 2016 | 42175 | 12 month | £5994 |
| Renault Kangoo 1.5 | Diesel | 2016 | 55447 | 3 month | £5520 |
| Peugeot Partner 1.6 | Diesel | 2016 | 49000 | 3 month | £6000 |
| Vauxhall Combo 1.4 | Petrol | 2016 | 65000 | 3 month | £4194 |
| Fiat Dublo 1.4 | Petrol | 2010 | 43000 | 3 month | £5988 |

Screen shots are shown as attachments

These are examples that have been downloaded on 14/12/19. From regularly reviewing Autotrader similar vehicles are always available and the above is offered as an illustration.

A national search of Auto trader for vehicles younger than 2010 and under £6000 gave a total of 20 petrol vehicles and 5725 diesel vehicles. Of the 20 petrol vehicles only the 2 listed above would be useful to the parish council, the others being car derived vans e.g. for fiesta. Hence finding a suitable petrol vehicle is proving difficult.

Delivery is normally about 1 week from order however 4 weeks should be assumed to give time to find the right vehicle.

4. Electric Vehicle

Two quotes have been received from dealers for electric vans and are both based on a lease of 36 months.

The quotes are shown as attachments.

Summary of Van Costs

A summary of the van costs are shown in Appendix A of this paper.

Based on 36 months and compared with the current vehicle the second hand option is £2284 favourable but there is more risk in terms of maintenance and failure.

Based on 36 months and compared with the current vehicle the Renault Kangoo ZE is £843 more to run over the same period. The Nissan eV-200 is an additional £7659.

5. Trailer

As previously discussed the provision of a trailer to tow behind the van would enable the team to carryout a wider range of tasks around the village. These task could be both new and also tasks that are currently contracted out. Therefore better use of out internal resources can be made while reducing cost of contracted services.

Examples of the trailers below all include loading ramps and mesh side and hence are suitable for carrying mowers and equipment, materials and grass / tree cuttings. All the listed trailers are a maximum Gross Vehicle Weight of 750Kg and unbraked and hence can be towed without 'trailer' on a driving licence.

| Trailer | GVW | Size | Ramp and Mesh | Price (inc VAT) |
|-----------------------|------------|-------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Indespension | 750Kg | 8ft x 4ft | Yes | £1174 |
| Marsden Barn trailers | 750Kg | 6.5ft x 4ft | Yes | £1200 |
| Apache Trailer | 750Kg | 7ft x 4ft | Yes | £999 |
| Wychavon Trailer | 750Kg | 5ft x 4ft | Yes | £780 |

6. Accessories and Branding

In the calculation £500 has been added for accessories which would cover a towbar to be fitted to the vehicle. The trailer would also need some tie downs and a number plate.

There is £200 provisioned for branding. While branding is not a necessity it does allow us to promote the parish council and the work it does as the van will be parked adjacent to any works taking place. At present the unbranded vehicle is not readily visible to those in the village.

Appendix 1 – Summary of Van Costs over 3 years.

| | Current | Second Hand Option | Nissan E-NV200 | Renault Kangoo ZE |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Fuel Type | Diesel | Diesel | Electric | Electric |
| Purchase Price | | £ 6,000.00 | | |
| Lease - 3 years | £ 9,019.00 | | £ 16,710.00 | £ 10,451.52 |
| Road tax - 3 years | £ 90.00 | £ 780.00 | | |
| Maintenance & Breakdown - 3 years | £ 200.00 | £ 800.00 | £ 864.00 | |
| MOT Cost | | £ 105.00 | | |
| Estimated Fuel - 3 years | £ 931.00 | £ 977.00 | | |
| Estimated Electric - 3 years | | | £ 125.00 | £ 145.00 |
| Accessories (towbar etc) | | £ 500.00 | | £ 500.00 |
| Branding | | £ 200.00 | £ 200.00 | £ 200.00 |
| Insurance | £ 1,884.00 | £ 1,978.00 | £ 1,978.00 | £ 1,978.00 |
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| Sub Total for 3 years | £ 12,124.00 | £ 11,340.00 | £ 19,877.00 | £ 13,274.52 |
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| Value of Vehicle at 3 years | | £ 1,500.00 | | |
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| Total Cost over 3 years | £ 12,124.00 | £ 9,840.00 | £ 19,877.00 | £ 13,274.52 |
| Comparison with Current vehicle | | -£ 2,284.00 | £ 7,659.00 | £ 1,150.00 |
| Delivery | | 4 weeks | Stock | 16 weeks |

Notes:

All prices shown above INCLUDE VAT at the current rate.

The insurance cost has been indexed up as per the original paper of 30/10/19

Branding has been included on all vehicles

The second hand vehicle cost shows a maximum figure – purchased vehicle may be less