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Report Title	K6 Heritage Telephone Kiosk update		

Purpose of Report

To provide an update to Councillors on the progress of the K6 heritage telephone kiosk project.

Background

The Town Council has agreed to:

1. Refurbish all three Kiosks in their current location, utilising the Lengthsman.
2. Installs floral displays in all three kiosks
3. Trials a 'Bug Hotel' in one kiosk and if successful installs bug hotels in the other two kiosks.

Progress update

At the time of writing this update the Lengthsmen are scheduled to start phase one of the project. Phase one is all about the preparation of the kiosks and returning them to a useable state.

During phase one work will begin on stripping the kiosk located on Edinburgh Road. This will involve removal of glass panels and stripping the paintwork. The Lengthsmen have sought professional advice from a local decorating store on the best method for removal of the paint which is assumed to be lead based but ultimately it will be down to elbow grease, a hand scrapper, wire brush and coarse wet emery paper to remove the paint! It may be possible to jet wash the boxes as a final process to this phase of the work.

A risk assessment will be carried out prior to any works beginning and correct PPE will be worn at all times. Members of the public will be diverted away from the site with appropriate signage. Guidance on the HSE website has also been read and will be adhered to.

Once the boxes are stripped they will be primed and painted using the correct telephone box 'red' paint. Alongside this planning for planting and installation of the 'Telebug Hotel' and signage is taking place. One of the Lengthsmen has a qualification in horticulture and has been tasked with planning the planting for all three kiosks.

Following the article in the January Signal a member of the public has requested a 'seed swop' and we are investigating ways to trial this in one of the kiosks. Photos of progress will be taken throughout the project and circulated to members for their information.