

Quotes for Phone Box Refurbishment

A number of years ago the Parish Council adopted the Red Phone box on Church Road, Derry Hill. This phone box now houses a defibrillator managed by the Derry Hill and Studley Heartbeat Group.

During 2022 it was identified that the box was in need of some maintenance work. The paint is peeling in many areas the glass is a mix of Perspex and glass and there is an internal hinge on the door that needs replacing.

Finance Committee resolved in Jan 23 to move forward with the refurbishment works and order the equipment needed to complete the task.

Since January I have been on the search for a company to provide the labour to complete the refurbishment. There have been two requests in inSpire magazine, a Facebook post and a post on our website, asking for anyone who may wish to quote for the job to come forward. I have also contacted local tradesman to see if they have availability and had a number of conversations with local residents to get recommendation for companies to complete the work.

Following an onsite visit with a company where the works required were examined I have received one quote to complete the works;

Company A; £310/day labour rate, for two men. Estimate the job will take 4½ -5½ days, £1395- £1710.

The quote from Company A is the only quote received and Council are recommended to consider awarding the job to the company at a day rate price of £310/day for a maximum of 5½ days.

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