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REPORT TO:	BOSTON TOWN AREA COMMITTEE
DATE:	22 JANUARY 2020
SUBJECT:	UPDATE ON WORK OF BTAC OPERATIVES – NOV-DEC 2019
REPORT AUTHOR:	HEAD OF ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATIONS
EXEMPT REPORT?	NO

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Members review and comment on the information presented in the report.

REASON FOR REPORT

To update Members on the work undertaken by the BTAC Operatives.

REPORT

The BTAC Operatives consists of one post jointly funded by Boston Borough Council, Big Local and 30% contribution from BTAC. Two posts entirely funded by BTAC

Through the Service Level Agreement with Boston Big Local (BBL) some funding has been provided to tackle cigarette litter and Chewing Gum, using the Chewing Gum removal machine and the Street Vacuum within the BBL area.

WORK PROGRAMME

Dealing with Vandalism and Graffiti

The operatives have dealt with a number of jobs relating to vandalism these include: - Central Park fencing, broken bins and road signs being dug up.

They have also dealt with 12 incidences of Graffiti.

Weed Spraying

- Lawrence Lane and Custom House Quay

Ongoing Public Realm Improvement Projects

- The operatives continue to be involved in keeping a number of Boston in Bloom sites clear.
- Cleaning and Clearing Weeds on John Adams Way, Bargate Bridge, Wide Bargate, B&M Site, Custom House Quay.
- Street vacuuming targeting cigarette ends specifically
- Continue with the Street Furniture Painting Programme

Reactive Maintenance

- Fence, seating and bin repairs and replacement
- Replace/refit uneven paving slabs Crown House
- Repair benches Bank Street and Dolphin Lane

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

None – Report for information only

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

None – Report for information only

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None – Report for information only

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None – Report for information only

ANY OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None

CONSULTATION

No consultation undertaken.

APPENDICES

Appendices are listed below and attached to the back of the report: -

APPENDIX 1

Examples of the work completed

BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers as defined in Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the production of this report.

CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT

A report on this item has not been previously considered by a Council