

ABINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

Report to	Finance, Governance and Asset Management committee
Meeting date	3 rd March 2025
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Cemetery & Outdoor Services Manager report on procurement of projector GOBOs

1. **Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To present costs and propose the procurement of customised GOBOs for the projector sited on Stratton Way

2. **Summary**

- 2.1 At the February meeting of the Environment and Amenities Committee the COSM was requested to present a report including costs to the FGAM Committee to seek approval for the purchase of customised projections for use in the projector that is installed at Stratton way as part of the council's Christmas light scheme.

3. **Action required and recommendations**

- 3.1 Members are requested to consider the proposal and allocate a budget accordingly.

4. **Link to strategic plan and objectives**

- 4.1 To manage the Council's assets efficiently and effectively to meet for the needs of the community now and in the future
- 4.2 To work with community partners to support those who are vulnerable and in need and to create opportunities to increase social inclusivity

5. **Background**

- 5.1 In 2024, Blachere Illumination, who are contracted to provide the council's festive display, installed a projector outside the Coxeters building. This projects onto the large blank end wall of Franklins Solicitors.

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5.2 This projector is permanently installed in this location and therefore lends itself to use for other notable events throughout the year. Currently, the unit is included in our hire contract and is not owned by the town council.

6. **Key information and options**

6.1 It was proposed by members of the Environment and Amenities committee that GOBOs, a wheel with an etched image, could be installed in the projector to mark occasions such as Town Twinning and VE Day. The cost of each custom wheel is £195+VAT. Installation can be carried out by the council's staff using hired access equipment for £138.

7. **Climate change/green implications**

7.1 None.

8. **Financial/budget implications**

8.1 As above.

9. **HR implications**

9.1 No additional HR implications from this report.

10. **Supporting papers and appendices**

None.