

Malmesbury Town Council
Town Hall and Facilities Committee meeting 27.1.21
Report No. 4

Blinds in Malting Hall and Hobbs Parlour

1. The purpose of this report is to ask the Committee to consider an allocation of £4000 for the replacement of the blinds in the Hobbs Parlour and Malting Hall, and the request of the Town Hall and Facilities Committee.
2. Both sets are looking tired, and one blind in the Malting Hall is broken.
3. An initial quote has been obtained for like for like blinds from the existing supplier from the existing Town Hall furnishings provider, outlining a cost of ;

Malting Hall Pelmets	£382
Malting Hall Blinds	£1482
Hobbs Parlour Pelmets	£250
Hobbs Parlour Blinds	£1300
Total	£3414

(all prices are based on a material at £28 per square metre)

4. Advice from the supplier is that cleaning the blinds is not a viable option as this process is likely to stretch the fabric and leave the 'product' looking worse; so is more viable to replace the material.
5. The TH&F Committee considered the matter on the 27.1.21 and agreed that they need replacing.
6. However, it was also considered that both rooms should be painted first, and also plastering work is carried out to one of the roof vent openings in the Malting Hall where this was letting in rain; the roof leak has just been repaired but needs to be seen if this holds up.
7. Therefore the request is to allocate up to £4000, to be held as an EMR, for the blinds to be fitted after the works outlined above have been completed. It is expected the plastering works and painting will be carried out in April as expenditure from the 2021/22 Town Hall Maintenance budget.
8. The Committee are asked to consider the matter and instruct the Town Clerk accordingly.

Town Clerk 2.1.21