

Committee Report:

Moredon Community Centre

Date: 2nd Sept 2025

To: FGP Committee

From: Andrew Briggs – Ops Manager

Subject: MCC unbudgeted Spend

Council Priority: Provide a high standard of facilities + Protect and Improve our Environment.

1. Background

Members will be aware of the circumstances surrounding the repossession of the Moredon Community Centre. The facility was previously leased to a committee, which held a tenancy as the operator of the facility.

Following the Council's intervention, notice was served, and the Council assumed direct responsibility for management.

Given the urgent nature of the takeover, a range of emergency measures were required to secure the building and ensure compliance with statutory requirements.

2. Current Position

Since repossession, the Council has:

- Secured the building (lock changes, keys issued).
- Commissioned a Fire Risk Assessment.
- Reviewed and scheduled actions for fire safety compliance.
- Arranged waste, recycling, and hygiene bin services.
- Assessed the alarm system and CCTV requirements.
- Commissioned contractors for essential services.

3. Financial Implications

Assuming control of the building means the Council now have both capital and revenue considerations to manage.

See appendix for further information.

4. Next Steps / Ongoing Requirements

Further spend is needed to bring the facility to a usable and secure standard. This will include:

- Servicing or upgrading the alarm system.
- Installation of CCTV.
- Additional works arising from compliance reviews.
- Remedial and decoration works.
- Any further security or safety improvements deemed necessary.

5. Recommendations

Members are asked to:

1. Note the unbudgeted spend incurred to date.
2. Consider approving further requests to enable the building to be brought to a fully compliant and usable standard.