

SWT Executive

Wednesday, 18th March, 2020,  
6.15 pm

**Somerset West  
and Taunton**

The John Meikle Room - The Deane  
House

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**Members:** Federica Smith-Roberts (Chair), Benet Allen (Deputy Chair),  
Chris Booth, Ross Henley, Marcus Kravis, Richard Lees,  
Peter Pilkington, Mike Rigby and Francesca Smith

### Agenda

**8. Gull Control Programme in Taunton Town Centre 2020**

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This matter is the responsibility of the Leader of the Council,  
Councillor Federica Smith-Roberts.

This report concerns the implementation of a Gull Control  
Programme for Taunton Town Centre to reduce the  
associated noise nuisance and aggressive behaviour along  
with long-term population reduction.



**JAMES HASSETT  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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# **Somerset West and Taunton Council**

## **Executive – 18 March 2020**

### **Gull Control Programme in Taunton Town Centre 2020 – Addendum**

**This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor Member Federica Smith-Roberts**

**Report Author: Simon Moon – Case Manager**

#### **6. Finance / Resource Implications**

6.1 The additional costs of £4,760 in the first year (20/21) were not included in the 20/21 MTFP and will be a pressure on the 20/21 budget. This should be managed as far as possible within the existing Environmental Health budget, and any issues raised as part of the budget monitoring process.

6.2 Included within the above costs are one off costs of £390 for plastic eggs which are re-usable and £880 for an initial risk assessment. The rest of the costs of £3,490 covering 4 visits to replace eggs will be recurring year on year. If this is not manageable within the existing Environmental Health budget, the service should ensure that it is included as an MTFP bid for future years ie 21/22 onwards

6.3 The officer time of one day a week during breeding season has not been costed and it is assumed this will be undertaken as part of existing budgeted resources.

