

Title of Report:	Electrical Repairs Cushendun and Cushendall Holiday and Leisure Parks
Committee Report Submitted To:	Leisure & Development Committee
Date of Meeting:	15 September 2026
For Decision or For Information	For Decision
To be discussed In Committee	NO

Linkage to Council Strategy (2026-31)	
Strategic Theme	Creating Conditions to Deliver Opportunities for our Borough
Outcome	Contributes to increasing visitor spend and employment
Lead Officer	Head of Service for Tourism and Recreation Holiday and Leisure Park Manager

Estimated Timescale for Completion	
Date to be Completed	Q4 – 2026/27

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	£120,000 estimated.
Included in Current Year Estimates	YES/NO
Capital/Revenue	Capital
Code	
Staffing Costs	

Legal Considerations	
Input of Legal Services Required	NO
Legal Opinion Obtained	NO

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes/No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to seek Elected Members approval to carry out essential works to the electrical supply infrastructure at both Cushendall and Cushendun HALPs. Approval is sought to complete on both stages 1 and 2 of the Capital Works Process, allowing for scheduling of the works and completion, prior to mid-March 2027.

2.0 Background

2.1 As part of the maintenance schedules for both Cushendall and Cushendun HALPs, electrical inspections of site infrastructure have noted significant deterioration of electrical switch gear etc. required for the distribution of power to the static and touring pitches throughout the parks. The damage and deterioration of the electrical supply to the site pitches is both an operational risk and a health and safety concern.

3.0 Works Required

3.1 Assessment of required works include:

- Refurbishment/replacement of switchgear infrastructure.
- New distribution/mini pillars.
- Electrical meters.
- Minor civil works including trenching and concrete construction for pillar and bollard bases.
- New earthing installation.
- Minor reinstatement works.

4.0 Proposals

4.1 Initial scoping of the works detailed the requirement for complete replacement of the underground cabling, as corrosion had been identified at the cable terminations. A pricing exercise to determine costs has been completed and it is estimated that replacement of the cabling and reinstatement would be in excess of £180,000. Further assessment by the Estates team has led to the determination that corrosion of the cable terminals may be restricted to the ends/connecting areas. The rest of the underground cabling is believed to be intact due to protective covering. If this is the case then significant savings can be gained from not excavating, replacing cables and reinstatement.

5.0 Options

5.1 Option 1

The design, specification and procurement of the full programme of works as outlined in Section 3, with the addition of excavation and replacement of underground cabling with reinstatement – Estimated costs £300,000.

5.2 Option 2

Programme of works excluding replacement of underground cabling and associated groundworks – Estimated costs - £120,000.

6.0 Next Steps

6.1 Subject to Elected Members consideration of Options 1 & 2, Officers will advance design and procurement, prior to reverting to Elected Members for approval of Stage 3 of the Capital Works Process (decision to invest).

6.2 Option 2 is Officers preferred option as it is the lowest cost. If the contractor discovers further corrosion on excavation, any cabling replacement works would be treated as

an addition to the contract and therefore a compensation event. If this is a significant cost to the contract, Elected Members will be advised accordingly.

7.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that the Leisure and Development Committee recommends to Council that Option 2 is advanced and Stages 1 & 2 of the Capital Works Process are completed on for required electrical infrastructure works at Cushendall and Cushendun Holiday and Leisure Parks. (Estimated cost £120,000).

Stage 3 approval will be sought from Council on completion of the procurement process.