

Meeting	Full Council
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Report Title	Mobii Interactive Table
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Recommendations:

1. To hire the Mobii Interactive Table to other parish councils.
2. To hire the Mobii Interactive table to care homes, schools, and other groups within the community.
3. To agree to the pricing matrix for daily hire of the Mobii Table, as presented.
4. To note the insurance matters associated with hiring out Council assets/ equipment.
5. To agree that all income from hiring Mobii Table will be ringfenced for Memory Café use.

Background/ Project Objectives

The original purpose of the Mobii Interactive Table was to provide people attending the Memory Café with access to state-of-the-art sensory equipment.

When the Mobii table was purchased in June 2021, it was suggested that the table also be hired simultaneously to organisations and groups in the wider community.

The Mobii table has proved to be popular with attendees of the Memory Café, and it encourages movement through physical participation and emotional well-being. The table would also benefit pupils at Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) schools to stimulate, calm and provide proprioceptive feedback. The Memory Café Co Ordinator has confirmed that the Mobii Table has the SEND Suite downloaded.

Feedback from the Memory Café participants indicates that regular usage of the Mobii Table has proved popular and has proved stimulating for users.

It can be used as a table, or floor-based, as shown in the photograph overleaf.

It is understood there is a waiting list of around five organisations waiting to hire the Mobii Table and other parish councils locally are looking to venture in to providing the same hire service.



Free Demos

The Council could consider the Memory Café Co Ordinator providing free demos to the care homes and schools within the parish to try to build up a platform. We could offer demonstrations for a maximum of two hours at a care home. Alternatively care home managers could come in to test the table at the parish offices. Having the Mobii table in their venue and seeing their residents playing on it could make the marketing more successful, introduce our services and showcase the Memory Café. Demonstrating the table in the office would however allow several people to view it at the same time.

Transportation

The original idea was to transport the table in the community bus, so that the tail lift can be used, and the table could be wheeled to/from the venue. The table weighs 24kg. In the event of no volunteer bus drivers being available, there are limited members of staff that can drive the community bus, due to insurance, training and driving licence conditions. Therefore, staffing costs have been associated into the day rate for any last minute contingencies.

Initially the table will be hired to premises with a five-mile radius within the parish boundary.

Anticipated Costs

ITEM	COST
Staff costs to deliver and collect the Mobii table (2 staff needed per each delivery and return)	£84.60 per hour for two members of staff including on costs. Up to 2 hours £169.20
Staff costs for admin, receipts and invoices	£15.00 per hour per booking
Miscellaneous repairs (bulbs, wires, etc)	£5.80
Transport costs (Up to 5 mile radius, return)	£1.00 per mile total of £10.00
Daily hire costs to organisation (weekdays only 9.30am – 3.30pm)	£100.00 per day
Illustrative costs for hire for one day to a destination 5 miles away TOTAL	£300.00



Suggested deposit/bond paid at the time of booking to cover accidental damage. The suggested bond of £200 is in line with Trent Road bond to make all bonds transparent.

A higher value bond could prove too expensive and detract people from using the service as essentially, they would have to pay £800 for each hire (bond + day rate). The Hirer would have to provide evidence that insurances are in place in case of damages so a bond is a secondary level of protection until the insurance pays out.

HMRC states that 0.45p per mile is adequate to cover costs for fuel and wear and tear, so £1.00 per mile should cover both costs. Wear and tear would hopefully be minimal as the trips would be small, and similar to current usage.

Insurance implications

The Council's insurance provider has advised that it would be the responsibility of the hirer of the Mobii Table to provide evidence that they have adequate insurance in place to cover the Mobii Table whilst in their care. Evidence of this shall be provided to the Council prior to hire.

Project Communication Plan

- Project objectives to be shared with community via the Haydon Wick "Living" Magazine, and through local press.
- Social media posts
- Posters displayed in Noticeboards in surgeries and networking contacts.
- Site visits and outreach by the Memory Café Co Ordinator leaflet dropping and providing demonstrations initially.
- To send update to database of community Mobii table users with estimated time scales and project update – increasing networking opportunities

Project Budget Summary

Implications of two POST staff being available to deliver/collect the table.

We would hope that we achieve projected income of a minimum of one booking per quarter, so £900 Year 1, £1,200 Year 2 and £1,200 Year 3.

The demos and associated costs could be met from the Memory Café staffing EMR.

All income from rental will be ring-fenced for Memory Café use.