

**NETHER WALLOP PARISH COUNCIL**

**The Council's Financial Regulations clause 11 h) reads:**

When it is to enter into a contract of less than £25,000 in value for the supply of goods or materials or for the execution of works or specialist services other than such goods, materials, works or specialist services as are excepted as set out in paragraph (a) the Clerk or RFO shall obtain 3 quotations (priced descriptions of the proposed supply); where the value is below £3,000 and above £100 the Clerk or RFO shall strive to obtain 3 estimates. Otherwise, Regulation 10.3 above shall apply.

Two schedules of work have been required to be quoted for, but the Clerk has not been able to obtain three quotes for each:

1. Village Hall redecoration / refurbishment / maintenance works
2. Playground apparatus removal

**Council to consider if the Financial Regulations can be set aside to approve the above quotations.**

Assessment of Risk to council in setting aside the Financial Regulations:

- That the quote may be artificially high versus other quotes.
- Time will be lost in making further enquiries to obtain other quotes.
- The schedule of works for the hall may increase due to the delay in addressing the maintenance issues.
- The playground equipment may still be accessed by children leading to risk of injury.