

## Community Services Committee

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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Defibrillators</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>11 November 2025</b>
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	<b>Cassie Pinnells, Community Services Manager</b>

### Purpose of the Report

1. To provide an update with the transfer of the Staying Alive Group eight community defibrillators to Thame Town Council management.

### Background Information

2. Following the approval for the Town Council to become the administrator of the Staying Alive defibrillators. The Staying Alive Group has transferred money they held to the Town Council. This funding will partly assist to replace six of the eight defibrillators that are no longer within the manufacturer's warranty.
3. Officers are actively looking for additional funding and have asked our District and County Councillors if there is any financial assistance available to help.
4. Officers are checking that electricity connections are intact as, it has been brought to our attention that three locations are not showing to have the light displayed. We are looking to get an electrician to review these sites and provide a quotation for any repair requirements.
5. The majority of Defibs have a guardian but there are some locations missing, which will mean that volunteers will be required to undertake the weekly monitoring. This is the full list of locations:
  - a. Thame Barns Centre
  - b. Scout HQ
  - c. Brothers Salon
  - d. Racquets Gym – the business is changing hands.
  - e. The Falcon Pub – the business is changing hands.
  - f. Masonic Lodge
  - g. Sprinz and Nash Vets
  - h. Barley Hill School - Denbigh Road
6. Once established which locations have no guardian the Town Council will be commence a campaign to ask for volunteers to aid with the monitoring.

### Resource Appraisal

7. Individual cost for a new defibrillator is approximately £795. With replacement batteries cost at £233 and £62 for new pads, which need updating every 2 years or if used.
8. A budget of £2,500 is being proposed to the budget working group for 2026/27.

## **Risk Assessment**

9. If the defibrillators are not properly maintained and not logged with the emergency services they could fail to be available if needed in an emergency.

### **Legal Powers:**

- 1936 Public Health Act (S234) Power to provide life preservers.
- Localism Act 2011, ss. 1-8

### **Recommendation:**

- i) The Committee is asked to note this report.*