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Title: Pavilion Gardens Sculptures

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Information Request

We would be grateful to receive the following information relating to the new sculptures being undertaken within Pavilion Gardens on Royal Parade.

- The value of the contract
 - The tendering/contract award process
 - The contractual time frame for completion
 - The budget from which the funding came
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Response by Eastbourne Borough Council

I pass on the comments from our Tourism Department-

“There was no contract for these items. We were originally approached by the artist in September 2020 offering to make a statue to sit outside the ramped entrance to the Pavilion. We liked the design and felt it would attract more visitors to the Pavilion and help improve the general aesthetic of the Pavilion Gardens so decided to buy one pebble statue.

As such there was no tendering/contract award process. There was also no contractual time frame for completion.

The statue cost £1000 and was paid for out of the Seafront Services 2020/21 budget. We were so pleased with the piece that we ordered another two to be positioned either side of the path leading up to the patio, this has come out of the Seafront Services 2021/22 budget.

These additional statues have been completed but sadly due to compounding issues with supply chains both in the procurement of appropriate wood and haulage of these products, we have currently been unable to install the surrounding framing and barriers. Estimated delivery of these materials has only just been missed this week and we are chasing up suppliers with a view to complete the installations in the next few weeks. “

