

Report No. Appendix: Agenda Item:	Council Date of Meeting: 11th October 2023
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OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Report Authors: Cllr Joyce Lucas	Title: Public Seat Survey
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Subject Wilko seat

Strategic Aims:

- 1. Ensure that Oakham remains a viable and pleasant environment in which to live, work and play.**
- 2. Promote the town as an attractive place to visit and stay**

On 28th September 2023. I visited the area at the junction of Westgate and High Street, Oakham.

One of the public seats outside the now closed Wilko Store is in a dreadful state of repair and maintenance.

The whole area was full of weeds, bird droppings, graffiti, and bird feathers. Naturally the hanging baskets have been removed now the building is empty.

There are two seats in the area. One is the new style and needs to be repainted. The other is the old style with concrete base, this one is difficult to maintain due to its location (directly under the bird nest).

My suggestion is that this seat be removed completely as it cannot be relocated due to a large tree and a pedestrian crossing.

I look forward to the Council's agreement on this matter.