

## **Agenda Item 18 July Agenda**

### **Benches – Various Items.**

#### **1. Request for Memorial Bench**

We have received a request for a bench or a plaque from someone with a family connection to East Dean who is a regular visitor here.

*I'm not sure what might be involved in such a dedication. I was thinking of a small plaque. This could be on an existing bench (with us making a donation to the Parish Council), or perhaps we could sponsor a planned bench or even fund a new bench. We would be flexible on its location, but the village green overlooking The Tiger, or on the path towards Birling Gap would both be prime spots for us!*

#### **Proposal to consider:**

- A. Whether a bench or a plaque is more appropriate.
- B. Siting of the above bench or plaque.
- C. Whether any restrictions should apply (i.e. floral tributes)

- 2. EDFRA** has recently purchased two benches for the village. One has already been installed at their expense. The desired site for the second bench is as shown in red on the attached plan. This spot forms part of the WDC freehold of the Village Hall and Car Park. The bench would offer those waiting for a bus from the southern end of Gilbert's Drive full visibility in advance of the arrival. There will be a licence fee payable (amount yet to be advised)

#### **Proposal:**

- A. To approve siting of the EDFRA bench.
- B. To consider a contribution towards the licence fee.

- 3. Bench repair and reconditioning.** The budget for the council year is £1550. Cllr Fowler has inspected the benches (10 in all) on the recreation ground and given a verbal quotation at £160 per bench, including structural repair, rub down and resurface with coat of Sadolin total £1600

**Proposal:** To approve bench expenditure of £1600

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