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Title Mrs Marjorie Richardson BEM Replacement Memorial Bench

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The council previously voted to remove the memorial bench for Mrs Richardson due to health and safety concerns. The council had no contact details for the family so did not consult them during the removal process. After it's removal the family of Mrs Richardson expressed their disappointment in it's removal. The council apologised for this and Cllrs Atkinson and Pratt have been working with the family to find a suitable replacement in light of this.

This was the memorial bench that was removed:



For those interested this is a photo of Mrs Richardson receiving her BEM at the Parish Hall in 1980:



<p>C o n s i d e r a t i o n s</p>	<p>The council worked with the family to find a suitable, sustainable replacement. Cllrs Atkinson and Pratt met with the family on 14th July 2022 to shortlist these. 3 memorial benches have been downselected all of which sustainable, specifically designed for public use with 10-25 year guarantees.</p> <p>A supporting PDF detailing pictures, descriptions and costs was provided for the Finance Committee consideration for this to proceed to the Full Council in September 2022.</p> <p>This proposal was turned down by the previous Council in view of putting in planning for a memorial wall.</p> <p>To update the Bench Policy. Agreed by full Council 5th September 2023.</p>
<p>P r o p o s a l s</p>	<p>The Bench Policy has now been updated. It is now proposed that the Council revisit this proposal to replace this bench for Mrs Richarson’s family.</p> <p>For the Council to agree for the Business Liason & Events group to go a head and get 3 quotes to replace this bench. (Attached)</p> <p>These quotes will be re issued at Octobers full Council Meeting.</p> <p>The Council to discuss and agree how much to spend on a bench, whether a wooden or plastic one is acceptable, and the size of the bench.</p> <p>For Business Liason & Events group to go ahead and purchase a bench once the bank account is open.</p>
<p>Risk</p>	<p>Low</p>
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<p>Date</p>	