

LEDBURY TOWN COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE COMMITTEE	16JULY 2020	AGENDA ITEM: 9
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PROVISION OF BENCHES AND LITTER BINS (Including Recycling Bins)

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to ask Members of the Environment & Leisure Committee to consider where they feel the priorities for new bins and benches around the town.

Detailed Information

Members will recall that previously they had been advised of a meeting with a representative of BBLP in relation to the condition of many of the litter bins around the town. At that meeting BBLP had advised that it was not currently their practice to replace bins that were removed for safety reasons, if there were other bins within the vicinity of the ones being removed. However, they had advised that should Ledbury Town Council wish to purchase bins to replace them this would be possible, but that where a bin is being replaced it should be like for like.

Council agreed to put £5,000 in a Special Projects head for the purchase of some new benches for the cemetery and possibly around the town and some replacement litter bins for the town.

Officers have placed an order for 10 new benches at a cost of £2,684 which leaves a total of £2,316.

Members will recall during the budget discussions they were advised that the prices of the bins varied, dependent on which style was required and there were also discussions on whether recycling bins could be purchased.

Recently the Chair of the Committee has been approached by members of the public asking whether recycling bins could be installed around the town, with Bye Street as a suggested location. If the request is in respect of the larger “recycling banks” then this would need to be referred to BBLP as a suggestion, however if it the request is in relation to smaller “recycling bins”, then this is something that the Council could potentially consider on the recreation ground, which is owned by the Town Council, and maybe other areas within the town, subject to approval from BBLP.

Recommendation

1. Members are requested to give consideration to where they consider replacement bins to be a priority and authorise officers to investigate the bins that are currently in those areas and establish the cost of replacements on a

like for like basis and provide a further report to the next meeting of the Environment & Leisure Committee for further consideration.

2. That Members instruct the Clerk to contact BBLP to discuss the options for recycling bins and/or banks within Ledbury.