



Street Furniture Policy

The Parish Council has the Power but not the Duty to provide seating, flower planters, dog, litter, and grit bins. All applications to install street furniture will be considered on their individual merit.

1. BENCHES

Benches should be placed where they contribute to the street scene but must not cause an obstruction to the footway. Benches help to create a sense of place and they are a useful and valued public amenity. New benches must match existing seat styles and materials and be in a style that suits the area.

1.1 Donated Memorial Benches on the Highway

Members of the public can request a bench to commemorate a loved one. The Parish Council will apply for the licence for permission to place a bench on the highway (footpath) on the resident's behalf. Residents living in the vicinity of the proposed location of the bench will be consulted and they must agree on its position. A commemorative plaque no larger than 20cm x 6cm may be attached to the bench. The wording must be approved by the Parish Council. Residents are to agree to meet the cost of the bench, plaque, and the installation. The bench is to be donated to the Parish for its lifetime. The bench will be removed by the Council and not be replaced when it is at the end of its lifetime or if it is unsafe. Please be mindful that the bench will become the responsibility of the Parish Council and it must be available for people to sit on. Flowers, soft toys, or memorials of any kind must not be attached to the bench at any time.

1.2 Donated Memorial Benches on Parish land.

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2. LITTER BINS & DOG BINS

2.1 Litter bins and dog bins are provided to encourage the local community to keep the footpaths and streets clean. Bins will only be installed by HPC on land it is responsible for. Bins will only be installed at suitable locations and providing that HPC have the funds. If the Council deem the location to be unsuitable for reasons of safety, such as stopping to empty a bin, proximity of housing, or installation difficulties it may also be declined.

3. GRIT BINS

3.1 Grit bins are provided for self-help by members of the public. Grit is provided by the Council, for HPC owned grit bins only, for use on the public highway (road and footpaths). If the Council believe grit is being used on private land/footpaths/driveways consideration will be given for the removal of the bin. The Parish Council will not provide a grit bin if the application falls within the DCC criteria for salt bin provision.

4. FLOWER PLANTERS

4.1 The Council will not supply flower planters as standard practice. HPC will consider an application for the installation for a planter(s) onto its land or land within the Parish on the basis that the installation has been approved by the landowner in writing and HPC would require a copy of this permission.

4.2 HPC will not fund the purchase or installation of planters, nor will it undertake to plant, water or maintain any planter.

4.3 The Council *may* resolve to contribute towards the purchase of the planter if a request was made by a third party.

4.4 The Council will at no time take over the responsibility of maintaining a planter that fell into disuse but would insist on its removal at the expense of the original body responsible for its installation.

REQUESTS TO INSTAL STREET FURNITURE



HPC will consider requests to install or allow installation of street furniture on land owned by the Council (e.g., notice boards, litter bins and dog waste bins, bollards, flower tubs and other ornamental displays, etc) provided the following conditions are met:

Conditions: -

- the design of the structure must not differ from the approved design without HPC written consent
- the structure must present no risk to the public and be kept in a good state of repair
- the structure must be secure and reasonably resistant to vandalism
- a declaration must be provided to show that the applicant accepts responsibility for the structure and its maintenance
- the owner must remove the structure at any time, should HPC require it.

Streetlights

A separate policy will be made available for street lighting

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