
Report To:	Policy & Resources Committee	Date:	18 November 2014
Report By:	Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources	Report No:	LP/071/14
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Subject:	Purchase of Commemorative World War 1 Benches		

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Committee for the purchase of 6 World War 1 memorial benches to be sited beside or near the Cenotaphs in the towns and villages of Inverclyde.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Council has been offered the chance to purchase a special World War 1 commemoration seat which has been made available for purchase at a cost of £535.00 per bench. **Appendix 1**
- 2.2 It is proposed that 6 benches be purchased for siting beside or near the Cenotaphs in the towns and villages of Inverclyde, those being at the Kilmacolm Cenotaph off Lochwinnoch Road; Port Glasgow's Cenotaph at Fore Street; Greenock's Wellpark; Gourock's Cenotaph on Albert Road; Inverkip's War Memorial at the Point and Wemyss Bay's War Memorial at Pierhead. The benches would be installed by Environmental and Commercial Services.
- 2.3 Funding for the benches would be met by the Common Good Fund.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that Members approve the purchase of 6 World War 1 memorial benches as detailed in the report.

Head of Legal & Property Services

4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Council has been offered the chance to purchase a special World War 1 commemoration seat which has been made available for purchase at a cost of £535.00 per bench. **Appendix 1**
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5.0 IMPLICATIONS

Finance

- 5.1 Each bench would cost £535.00 to purchase, with an installation cost of £60.00.

Financial Implications:

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report	Virement From	Other Comments
90000 000 60020	Common Good	2014/15	£3570		

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments
N/A					

Legal

- 5.2 There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

Human Resources

- 5.3 There are no direct HR implications arising from this report.

Equalities

- 5.4 There are no direct equalities implications arising from this report.

Repopulation

- 5.5 There are no direct repopulation implications arising from this report.

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 The Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Chief Financial Officer, Corporate Procurement Manager and Manager of Street Scene, Burial Grounds and Registrars have been consulted on the associated cost and viability of the purchase and installation of the benches.

8.0 Background Papers

- 8.1 nil

Appendix 1

