



NEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

POLICY STATEMENT – MEMORIAL SEATS IN THE PARISH

The following is the Policy under which Newick Parish Council will consider granting the erection of memorial seats on Council land.

The Council has one seat on The Green and no further seats shall be agreed on the grass area so The Green can still be used for Bonfire Celebrations, Fairs and other events. A number of seats existing are on the Playing Fields in the village. New bench requests will be on a one in one out basis as existing seats come to the end of their lifespan. Requests for benches in other open spaces will be considered on a case by case basis.

Any seat and its installation must meet the standards and style as laid down by the Council at the time of the application. Details of these will be available from the Clerk. Any installation may only be carried out by an installer approved by the Council. The Council will not insure the value of the seat but will include its existence on its asset register and cover the seat in respect of public liability insurance.

The individual or society requesting the seat will maintain the seat, the installation and its environs. It will be at the Council's sole discretion as to when, for whatever reason, the seat is removed. In principle a seat removed will not be replaced or moved. The Council will have no obligation to replace, repair or move any seat although it may do so. Any seat removed will not be returned to the donor(s); the Council will accept the obligation of disposal.

An inventory of seats and benches on publicly owned land, which identifies memorial seats within the village is kept by the Clerk. The inventory is reviewed and updated annually.

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Signed:
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