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Sent: 25 February 2022 12:13
To: Town Clerk | Swaffham Town Council; 'JUDY ANSCOMBE'
Subject: RE: Benches funded from the HAZ

That's great, thanks both, appreciate your help.

I will ask Evie to start to mobilise that and we can finesse the details as required.

Kind regards

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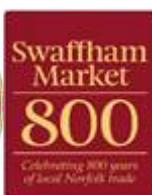
Hi Andrew,

I can't see there being any major issues raised at the Council meeting on 9th March, as this would just be a continuation of the Town Council maintaining the seats in the Town Centre by our staff. The improvement scheme is as you say a win-win, for the Town and for the HAZ project, when the budget needs to be spent quickly. Installation early in the springtime is also a very good time to be doing this work, and it would have maximum impact as a visual improvement in the Town Centre.

The relocation of any seats worth salvaging elsewhere in the Town can be resolved at a later date by our Assets & Open Spaces Committee, and any additional maintenance costs would be addressed by the Town Council as part of what would be a separate project outside of the HAZ area.

Best regards,

Richard Bishop
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Subject: Re: Benches funded from the HAZ

Good morning Andrew

What a good opportunity this is to provide new benches; as you note still some discussion needed with councillors, and locations too.

The Town Council works team currently maintains our benches so I don't see a problem, but I'll let Richard answer this aspect.

We would also need to ascertain where we can recycle to another location in town, the existing benches, I know councillors would not want to just bin them.

Many thanks

Kind regards

Judy

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On Fri, 25 Feb 2022 at 10:23, Holdsworth, Andrew <Andrew.Holdsworth@breckland.gov.uk> wrote:

Good morning Judy and Richard

I am just trying to help Evie with the spending through the HAZ. Can I check a quick point with you?

I understand the proposed purchase of the benches works for the masterplan, works for the Town Council, works for Historic England, and completely solves the underspend challenge with the programme. Which is great! We just need to procure them.

Evie has explained you can't formally commit to their adoption / maintenance until you've met as a Town Council. Which makes sense, although obviously the timing is very tight now.

We don't have any resource to maintain them ourselves, so don't want to find ourselves owning loads of benches! Can I just confirm it is the Town Councils intention (subject to formal agreement at your next meeting) to adopt them once the HAZ has purchased them? If I can get confirmation of your intended direction I'm happy to sign off this our side to just procure.

Thanks

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