

Committee: FULL COUNCIL

Date: 27 September 2022

Title: To consider memorials for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Purpose of Report

For members to consider a location for a memorial bench and plaque in memory of Queen Elizabeth II

Recommendation:

Members resolve to an agreed location for the bench and plaque in honour of the Late Queen Elizabeth II

Report:

1. Members were made aware by officers on 13 September that sufficient funds were being allocated to the Town Council through South Somerset District Council's Market Town Initiative Group for a bench and plaque to ordered in honour of Queen Elizabeth II. Interest in this was required to be confirmed by the Wednesday 14 September 2022.
2. All of the members who responded did so in the affirmative and as a result a bench and plaque have been ordered. Members need to agree on a location where these items can be placed.
3. Members have been notified in the past that there are in fact a small number of trees that will need to be cut down in the near future due to them being infected with disease. One of those affected is on the Recreation Ground near to the pedestrian entrance opposite Ladymeade.
4. Members may wish to consider this being replaced with a young oak tree and placing the bench and plaque near there. This could then be redesignated the Queen Elizabeth II memorial area should members wish to do so.
5. There is sufficient funding in the appropriate budget heading to allow for a suitable tree to be purchased. This could all then be dedicated in an appropriate point in the future.
6. Members may have other thoughts about a suitable location that they wish to put forward during the course of this item.
7. Members resolve to an agreed location for the bench and plaque in honour of the Late Queen Elizabeth II.

**Mark Tredwin
Town Clerk
September 2022**